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# Mini Report on Courtesy Call in Luapula for Land Acquisition

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### Introduction

This report provides an overview of the courtesy call undertaken by We Are The World Zambia (WATWZ) and its stakeholders in Luapula Province under the National Stakeholder Land Empowerment, Agricultural, and Trade Development Program (NSLE&CDP). The visit focused on strengthening partnerships with traditional leadership and advancing community-based development initiatives. Significant progress was achieved in the acquisition of land in Chief Chisunka and Bwalya Mponda Chiefdoms, and constructive engagement continued regarding the Samfya Beachfront Children's Recreation Park Project.

# Purpose of the Visit

The main objectives of the courtesy call were to:

- Express appreciation to traditional leaders for their support and cooperation.
- Confirm and formalize the successful acquisition of land in Chief Chisunka and Bwalya Mponda Chiefdoms.
- Strengthen coordination for the implementation of the NSLE&CDP initiatives within Luapula Province.
- Advance the ongoing Samfya Beachfront land discussions with the Samfya Town Council.

This visit reaffirmed WATWZ's commitment to inclusive development and collaboration with traditional and civic leadership structures for the empowerment of communities.

# **Land Acquisition Overview**

## 1. Chief Chisunka Chiefdom

Land has been successfully secured in Chief Chisunka Chiefdom. All traditional and procedural agreements have been finalized, allowing for the commencement of agricultural and empowerment programs under the NSLE&CDP framework.

## 2. Bwalya Mponda Chiefdom

We Are The World Zambia also successfully acquired land in Bwalya Mponda Chiefdom. The engagement was fruitful, with both leadership and community representatives expressing full support for the planned initiatives focusing on youth employment, organic farming, and rural enterprise development. A follow-up courtesy visit is scheduled for Friday this week, to consolidate the agreed milestones and outline the next implementation steps through the Luapula Provincial Chapter Office.

## 3. Remaining Chiefdoms

Out of the six target Chiefdoms identified under the NSLE&CDP in Luapula Province, two have already been successfully engaged. The remaining four Chiefdoms will be followed up by the resident Luapula Provincial Chapter Office, under the capable leadership of Mr. Herod Mwila,



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Luapula Chapter Leader, to ensure continuity, consistent engagement, and coordination of all subsequent land allocation discussions.

# Ongoing Discussions - Samfya Beachfront Property (Children's Recreation Park)

In addition to the Chiefdom land engagements, WATWZ has initiated formal discussions with the Samfya Town Council concerning the allocation of land along the Samfya beachfront for the development of the Samfya Children's Recreation Park.

## **Project Concept Summary**

The Samfya Children's Recreation Park is a community development initiative designed to provide a safe, inclusive, and educational environment for children and families in Samfya District. Key features include:

- Modern playgrounds, family picnic zones, and green leisure areas
- Learning corners, a mini outdoor library, and a cultural exhibition space
- Eco-friendly landscaping using indigenous plants to enhance natural beauty and biodiversity
- Educational programs on child development and environmental stewardship, in collaboration with schools and civic groups

Located near the Samfya beachfront, the park is envisioned to promote recreation, support local tourism, and strengthen family and community bonds. Key discussion highlights with the Council included alignment with the District Physical Development Plan, establishment of a joint management and maintenance framework, and compliance with environmental and planning standards.

# **Next Steps**

Following the successful courtesy call and initial land acquisitions, the next phase of engagement will focus on:

- 1. Securing Formal Documentation WATWZ, through the Luapula Provincial Chapter Office, will collaborate with the respective Chiefdoms to obtain the official documents granting rights to the allocated lands.
- 2. Processing Land Titles Once the necessary documents are received, the organization will initiate the land titling process to ensure the lands are legally registered under We Are The World Zambia (WATWZ).
- 3. Implementation of the Land Empowerment Program Upon completion of titling, WATWZ will begin the Land Empowerment Program, which will allocate 50 hectares per stakeholder, enabling productive agricultural and developmental activities aligned with the NSLE&CDP objectives.

### Conclusion

The courtesy call to Luapula Province by We Are The World Zambia (WATWZ) and its stakeholders yielded significant progress in both land acquisition and strategic engagement. The confirmed land allocations in Chief Chisunka and Bwalya Mponda Chiefdoms reflect the shared commitment between WATWZ and traditional leadership toward sustainable rural transformation. Ongoing collaboration with the Samfya Town Council for the Children's Recreation Park Project highlights WATWZ's broader vision of integrating social development with community recreation and tourism.



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Furthermore, the Luapula Provincial Chapter Office, under the leadership of Mr. Herod Mwila, will continue to oversee the follow-ups with the remaining Chiefdoms, secure documentation for titling, and coordinate the successful rollout of the 50-hectare Land Empowerment Program across Luapula Province.

Warm regards,

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