Groundwater Management in Africa: The Case of Pangani Basin, Tanzania

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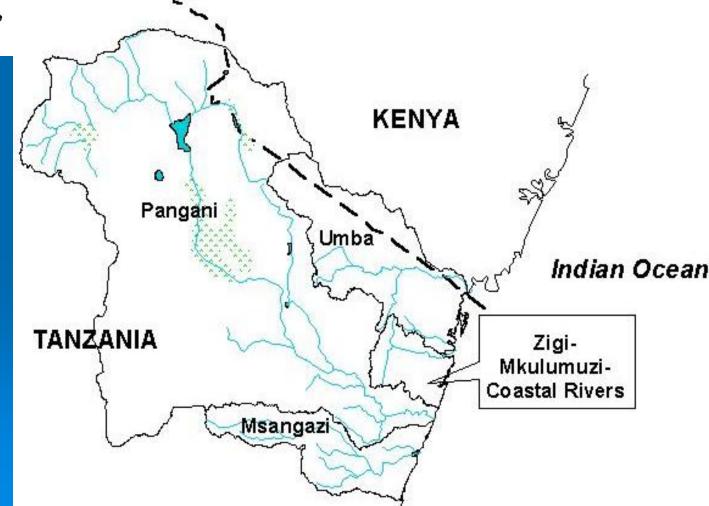
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Introduction Pangani Basin



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Pangani Basin

- Area: 56,300 sq km (5% in Kenya).
- Population: 3.7 m in Tanzania & 0.041 in Kenya.
- Rainfall:
 - 600 2,000 mm/yr
 - erratic in low lying areas (50% of the basin area).
- Uses: Domestic, irrigation, hydro-electricity, livestock and industries



Introduction Pangani Basin Water Board



Members of Pangani Basin Water Board

- Established in 1991
- Roles and Responsibilities:
 - Water Allocation
 - Water Resources monitoring and assessment
 - Coordinate water resources planning
 - Pollution control
 - Water use conflict management

Groundwater Availability

- Recharge: Rainfall and glacial melt from Mt. Kilimanjaro
- Major aquifers: indiscrete: (alluvial sediments -10%, sedimentary 4%, volcanic 1% and metamorphic 85% rocks)
- Yield of Boreholes range 10 800 m3/hr
- Depth of boreholes: 20 200m.
- Springs: Numerous around Mt. Kilimanjaro, Mt. Meru and Pare and Usambara Mts.
- Water quality: Generally good, with exception in some volcanic rock areas where fluoride contents exceed 8mg/l.
- Note: So far not much exploited; about 500 boreholes





Rundugai Springs, Kilimanjaro

Groundwater Management Challenges

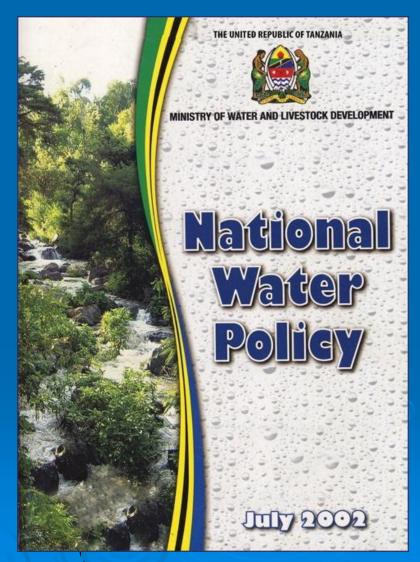


Artesian well at Kahe village

- Potential not assessed
 Uncontrolled groundwater explorations and development
- Fragmented data and information
- Land degradation
- Some aquifers are transboundary
 Weak legal framework
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 - Capacity to management

Water Sector Reforms

- National Water Policy:
 reviewed in 2002
- National Water Sector Development Strategy
 - had been prepared
- Water Law:
 - under review
- Water Sector Development Programme:
 - started implementing in 2006



The Way Forward

- New Water law to address policy requirements to be tabled in the parliament soon;
- Regulations to be prepared
- Groundwater assessment task to start
- IWRM plan
- Groundwater monitoring in potential identified areas
- To pilot use of groundwater for irrigation



Thank you for listening

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