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Kenya Jatropha Energy Ltd
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MALINDI

RE: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED SETTING APART OF 50,000 HECTARES OF TRUST LAND IN BUNGALE AREA (COUNTY COUNCIL OF MALINDI) FOR JATROPHA CULTIVATION

The National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), in consultation with the relevant Lead Agencies, District Environment Committee and stakeholders has reviewed the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report of the above proposed project and has made the following observations: -

1. The project as proposed, poses a threat to the Dakatcha Woodland Forest in the proposed project area.
2. There is possible loss of habitat and breeding grounds for birds and other wildlife within the Dakatcha Woodland Forest in the proposed project area.
3. There is insufficient data on the viability of Jatropha plant in the proposed project area and as such, may not be environmentally unsustainable on 50,000 hectares.

In view of the above grounds and in light of the provisions of the Environmental Management and Coordination Act, 1999, I wish to advise that the Authority is of the view that the proposed project may not enhance sustainable development and sound environmental management.

Consequently, based on precautionary principle the Authority is unable to issue an Environmental Impact Assessment License under the provisions of the Act.

The proponent is advised to redesign and scale down the project to pilot level to prove sustainability before an EIA license can be issued for the entire proposed area of 50,000 hectares.



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