



Nkasi District

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LOCATION

- South West Tanzania
 - Rukwa Region
- Bordered by Democratic Republic of Congo & Lake Tanganyika
 - Namanyere main town
- 1586 kms from Dar Es Salaam

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POPULATION

MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL POPULATION
136,744	141,779	278,523

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Population

- Annual growth rate 4.7%
- Average household size 4.92
- Density of 15.98 people per sq.km

Source of Data;DPLO-District Planning Office

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CLIMATE

- Rainfall from November to May
- Average total Rainfall is between 920 – 1200 millimeters
- Temperatures ranges from 22°C to 30°C

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COMMUNICATION

- Roads & boats only
- Limited electricity
- Telecommunication has improved
 - Radio

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WATER SUPPLY

Method	No.	STATUS	
		Functioning	Non-funct.
Gravity scheme	6	6	0
Borehole Installed with hand pump	192	149	43
Shallow wells	139	82	57
Protected springs	2	2	0
Pumping scheme	8	2	6

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WATER SUPPLY

- 51% of the population do not have access to safe and clean water

- Source of Data;DWE-District Water Engineer Office

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ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION

NO.OF HOUSE HOLDS (Approximate)	LATRINES	%COVERAGE
55,705	46,958	84.3

Approximately 15.7% of the population do not have access to a latrine

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DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

NAME OF DISEASE	PATIENTS (per year on average)		
	<5YRS	>5YRS	TOTAL
Diarrhoea	9,745	5,560	15,305
Intestinal worms	1,749	2,294	4,043
Eye Infections	3,740	1,230	4,970
Skin Infections	1,498	1,338	2,836

•Source of Data:DMO-District Medical Office {Health facilities based -2009}

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CHALLENGES

- Lack of clean safe water
 - Poor sanitation
- Poor hygiene practices

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THE WAY FORWARD

- School projects
 - Health promotion activities
- District wide promotion
 - Education

Working as a community, involving children, teachers, community stake holders to improve health.

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Questions?

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Thank you

- Water For Kids for their support of the drilling of a borehole at Mkwamba secondary school
- Tanzania Rural Revival for their commitment to help people living in the Nkasi District

Hopefully the number of cases at Mkwamba village associated with water borne will be reduced.

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Asante Sana

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