## THE STUDY OF MANGROVE AND CLIMATE CHANGE IN ZANZIBAR

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#### Introduction

Mangrove refers to a diverse group of salt (halophytes, thrive in areas of high salinity), margins of low energy coastline, mudflats and river banks in tropicals or subtropical areas. Worldwide there are about 70 species of mangrove but Zanzibar island comprises of all mangrove species found in Indian ocean countries with ten species that are reported along the bays and coastline of unguja and Pemba.

The volume and distribution of mangroves were later measured using aerial photograph of 2012

that show 5,274 ha were estimated in Unguja and 11,214 ha were estimated in Pemba. Mangroves are found in different places like Jozani Chwaka bay, Uzi island, Ngezi forest, Michweni, Chumbe islands and many areas.

In generally, mangrove forest is vital for various marine resources. Reflecting to importance of mangrove forest in Zanzibar Ocean, it provides for the breeding and nursery grounds for a number of marine organisms including the commercially important shrimp, crab and fish species. The existence of mangrove trees creates basis of a complex marine food chain, creation of critical habitat for fisheries and coastal bird populations, establishment of restrictive impounds that offer protection for maturing offspring, filtering and assimilating pollutants from upland run-off, stabilization of sediments and protection of shorelines from erosion as well as water and atmospheric quality improvements where all these have economical and biological importance to human being include production of fishes as sources of nutritious food and income, in the communities of Zanzibar.

In this researcher interested to find the data through the following questions:?

- 1. How people benefited through the presence of mangrove?
- 2. How the communities participate in mangrove activities?
- 3. What to do in order to protect mangroves in Zanzibar?
- 4. How the presence of Mangrove alleviate the climate change?

#### Method

This is a survey research that was conducted using two research tools which are Questionnaires and interview. The questionnaires were distributed for thirty students while the interview were conducted for ten people. The papers with question were distribute by the researcher under the guideline so as to ensure that all questions are returned to to researcher for further consideration In this project the researchers applied observation, questionnaires and interview to collect the data regarding the opportunities due to the products of mangrove.

The questionnaires were distributed to 30 people in the community of Unguja Ukuu, and the results were recorded as follow.

What are most economical activities where the people benefited from Mangrove? PROCEDURES

Step 1 We did a field trip to visit mangrove sites including Unguja Ukuu, Kinazini and Jonzani Mangrove 1 Step 3.

The Researchers designed tools for interview and questionnaires

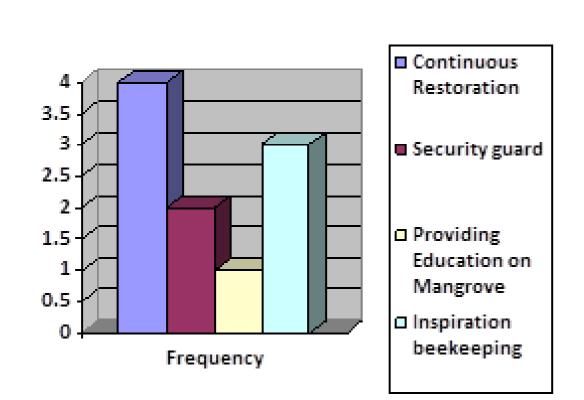
The Interview was prepared for communities in the mangrove areas while interview was directed to special people.

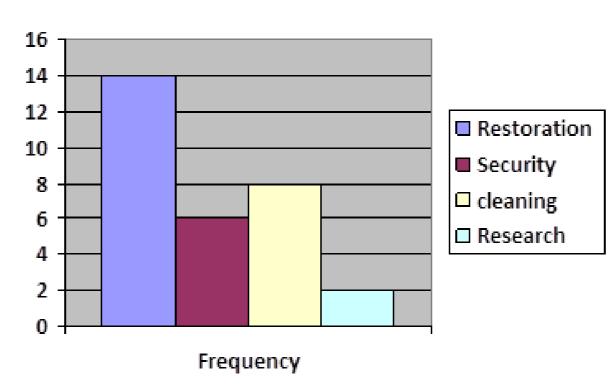
Step 4. We distributed 30 questionnaires for the community people and we asked 10 questions during the interview

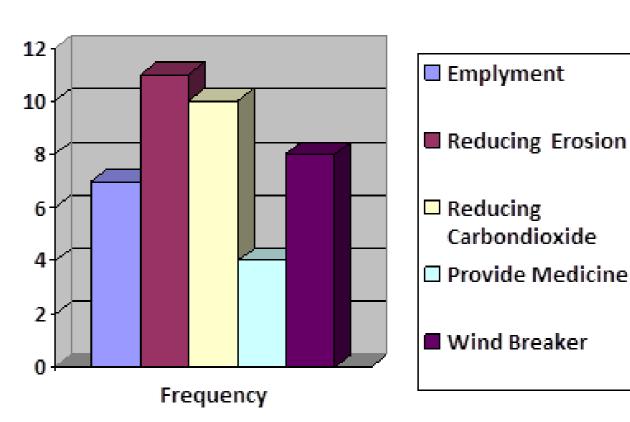
Step 5: We collected the data and we continued to access results using statistical methods

# Avicenia marina White or Grey Mchu Ceriops tegal Oriental mangrove Msinzi Rhizophora mucronata Booking grass mangrove Mishundazi Suneratia alba Lumnitzea racemosa Crange mangrove Mkoko magondi Heritiera litoralis Mangrove apple Mkoko magondi Mishundazi Cannon ball mangrove Mkoko magondi Muo Xylocarpus granatum Cannon ball mangrove Mkomafi dume Oracidula Mishundazi Kikandaa Mkoko magondi Moja Kikandaa Mkoko magondi Moja Kikandaa Mkoko magondi Moja Kikandaa Mishundazi Mkoko magondi Moja Kikandaa

#### Results









### Conclusion

Mangroves are more importance to us, they bring many benefits to us. Also Avicenia marina, lumnitzera racemosa, Rhizophora mucronata, suneratia alba, Xylocarpus gratanum and the best mangrove species with a broad advantages in our country as seen on our project report.

The mangrove are very important in for our economy particularly the spirit of blue economy where the Government of Zanzibar has invested. There is a need of increasing awareness in the community on protecting the mangrove so as to make our oceans safe.

More over the data above shows that the batter use of mangrove can lead to improve economic status for the communities and controls the climate changes' impacts in our country so we need to educate people on those opportunities and benefits available on the batter use of mangrove.

#### References

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S/N	TIME	DATES	DESCRIPTION
1	11;00 – 13.00AM	12 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	We did a Meeting with our teacher and told us about
			Young Scientists Project 2023
2	10.00 -1200 AM	21 February 2023	We came up with three project ideas and we
			discussed with our mentor Teacher
3	9.00 – 11.00AM	12th March 2023	We met our Mentor to get the feet back from the
			Project Manager Mr Joseph Clowry who advise us to
			opt such project and he added to advise us on the
			way of getting the data. He said that this is very
			good project.
	1.00 – 3.00 PM	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	We sent our project Proposal with all necessary
			information
5	10.00 - 12.00 AM	15 <sup>TH</sup> May 2023	We got the message that our project has been
			selected.
6	10.00 - 12.00 AM	20 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	We started to develop our project by mentioning
			those who are going to be involved in the project
7	9.00 – 12.00 AM	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	We went to Mangrove sites and identifying those
			mangrove species available in Zanzibar. The same
			day we talk to Community leader at Unguja Ukuu
8	12.00 – 10.00 PM	2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023	We prepared Questionnaires and also we design
			motive for the interview
9	10.00 –12.00 AM	10 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	We distributed 30 Questionnaires to the
			communities
10	12.00 – 10.00 PM	15 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	We did interview for 10 people in the communities
11	14.00 – 16.00 PM	20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	We started to analyze the correspondence from the
			interview and questionnaires
12	12.00 – 10.00 PM	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2023	We started to write the project report
13	10.00 –12.00 AM	10 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	We continued to write the project reports
14	13.00 – 16.00 PM	27 <sup>th</sup> July 2023	We sent our Project report
15	2.00 – 6.00 PM	20 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	We reviewed our project report