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Tribal Certificate Inventory Project, Bong County- Liberia

Kokoyah District
Report covering
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INTRODUCTION

The Inventory and scanning exercise in **Kokoyah District** were done for the two clans of the District, namely; **Sawulah and Quekon Clans** respectively. This exercise was conducted from **May 6-11, 2015**. The Tribal Certificates recorded for the two clans were twenty nine **(8)** Tribal Certificates with a total acreage of **1575**. This report also categorized the process of recording and scanning in the following:

- A. Total number of certificates recorded in the two clans (**Sawulah and Quekon** in **Kokoyah District**) and the total acreage of TCS recorded.
- B. Certified Tribal Certificates Vetted in each of the two clans and acreage.
- C. Tribal Certificates vetted issued under moratorium and their acreage.

Vetting

The vetting process of Tribal Certificates recorded lasted from **May 12-1, 2015**. This process witnessed the participation of the local authorities which include; the clan chiefs, Paramount Chiefs, Town Chiefs, District Commissioners, Sectional Clerks, Elders, Women Leaders, Youth Representatives and citizens of these clans where these Tribal Certificates were issued.

MOBILIZATION

This entails the continue Radio announcements using Radio Gbarnga and Radio Bongies Stations with the help of the **(Assistant Outreach & Education Officer) Mr. Jefferson Massah of the** Land Coordination Center (LCC), Bong County, **Hon. Joseph Urey** Special Assistant to the Superintendent, Bong County. This exercise also considered sending posters containing the inventory steps were sent to the various clans Headquarters prior to the scanning, recording and vetting exercise.

METHODOLOGY

The exercise of recording all information about a “Tribal Certificate” is accomplished through the following five steps:

1. **Registration:** the recorder collects a tribal certificate, assign a serial number and stamp the tribal certificate.
2. **Scanning:** Scan and enter the information of a tribal certificate into database and give back original copy to the holder/owner.
3. **Photographing:** the holder /owner takes photo with tribal certificate bearing an assigned serial number.
4. **Issuance of LC Official Receipt:** An official receipt in favor of the tribal certificate owner/holder is issued with the assigned serial number indicating number of acreage on the TC as well.
5. **Vetting:** Vetter’s proceed to the various clans to ensure that all documents are accurate and verify signatures on each tribal certificate in collaboration with local authorities of each clan where exercise is being carried out.

DAILY ACTIVITIES

Each working day starts at 8:30 a.m., where the team depart Gbarnga City for Kokoyah District’s Head office), during the inventory from May6-18, 2015. Afterward, the team went to the following clans; Sawulah from May 12-15, Quekon May 16-18, 2015 for the vetting of the entire registered TCs of Kokoyah District.

The total number of tribal certificates recorded in the two cans; (**Sawulah, and Quekon Clans** is **8** with the total acreage of **1,575**

BREAK DOWN OF TOTAL TRIBAL CERTIFICATES AND ACREAGE RECORDED PER CLAN IN THE BELOW CATEGORIES:

1. Certified Tribal Certificates vetted with acreage and serial numbers.
2. Tribal Certificates vetted but issued under the moratorium with acreage and serial numbers.

Sawulah Clan, the total Tcs recorded is **1** include, **Certified TCS** with the total acreage of **300**

Details of 1 TCS recorded in Sawulah Clan:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>
• Certified TCS = 1	300

1. Total number of Certified Tribal Certificates vetted with acreage and serial numbers in Sawulah Clan

Serial #	Acreage
00001605	300
Total TCS	1
Total Acreage	300

Quekon Clan, the total Tcs recorded were **7** including **Certified TCS** and **TCS Issued under Moratorium** with the total number of acreage of **1275**

Details of 7 TCS recorded in Quekon Clan:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>ACREAGE</u>
• Certified TCS = 6	1025
• TCS Issued under Moratorium =1	250

1. Total number of Certified Tribal Certificates vetted with acreage and serial numbers in Quekon Clan

Serial #	Acreage
00001600	250
00001601	100
00001607	100
00001602	100
00001603	225
00001599	250
Total TCS	6
Total Acreage	1025

2. Total number of Tribal Certificates vetted; but issued under moratorium with acreage and serial numbers in Quekon Clan

Serial #	Acreage
00001608	250
Total TCS	1
Total acreage	250

CONSTRAINTS

The continuous conduct of the tribal certificate inventory and vetting processes were hampered by the following constrains:

- That the TC owner/holder coming for registration during vetting period which caused the team to leave from work rather than the normal time.
- That the TC Owner/holder complain that they didn't get the information about the Tribal Certificate inventory project either by radio or local authorities which caused them to follow the team in the next clan for registration. Also increases the number of not vetted TCs in the previous clans.
- Lack of sustained outreach program activities.

RECOMMENDATION

Based on the experiences on the field, the below recommendations require immediate attention:

1. To allocate additional time for the continue increase of not vetted TCS in order to collect all remain TCS in their respective clans.
2. To sustain adequate outreach activities.