

Global ICCA Database Selela Forest, Tanzania

CCA Basic data

Site Name (in local language and in English)	Selela Forest
Country (include State and Province)	Tanzania (Arusha Region)
Area encompassed by the CCA (specify unit of measurement).	1190 ha
GIS Coordinates (if available)	
Whether it includes sea areas (Yes or no)	No
Whether it includes freshwater (Yes or no)	No
Marine (Y or N)	No
Concerned community (name and approx. number of persons)	Selela village
Is the community considering itself an indigenous people? (Please note Yes or No; if yes note which people)	No
Is the community considering itself a minority? (Please note Yes or No, if yes on the basis of what, e.g. religion, ethnicity)	No
Is the community permanently settled? (Please note Yes or No; if the community is mobile, does it have a customary transhumance territory?)	No. The community is a mixture of transhumant and agro-pastoral. It undertakes transhumant grazing within a defined group ranch area
Is the community local per capita income inferior, basically the same or superior to national value? (please note how confident you are about the information)	Inferior
Is the CCA recognised as a protected area by governmental agencies? (Yes or no; if yes, how? If no, is it otherwise recognized?) If yes, legal document? Establishment date?	Yes- Village Land Forest Reserve gazettement in process
Conflicts with land tenure, natural resource use?	Yes- conflict with centrally allocated tourist hunting concession on village lands
What is the main management objective (e.g. livelihood, cultural, spiritual...)	Livelihood- forest services, tourism development
To which IUCN management category do you consider it would best fit	VI

Additional qualitative information

Main ecosystem type	Broadleaf groundwater forest
Description of biodiversity & resources (ecosystems, species, functions) conserved by the CCA	Ficus groundwater forest; large mammals including elephant, buffalo, leopard
Description of local ethnic groups and languages spoken	Maasai – Maa speaking
Broad historical context of the CCA	Traditionally protected forest now being formalized as Village Forest Reserve with district government facilitation during the past five years
Governance structure for the CCA (who takes management decisions, how?)	Village committee, Village Council, Village Assembly
Length of time the governance model has been in place	Village governance model since 1970's
Land and resource ownership in the CCA	Village land under Village Council and Village Assembly
Type of land use in the CCA	Forest
Existence of written or oral management plans and specific rules for the use of natural resources in the CCA	Village forest management plan and village by-laws
Map and zoning of the CCA (please attach if available and relevant,)	No map available. Located approx 40 kms south of Arusha town
Relevant pictures with captions (please attach if available)	
Major threats to biodiversity and/or the CCA governance system	Extractive pressures for bushmeat, charcoal, timber; lack of local authority to exclude centrally authorized hunting concessions
Local CCA-relevant features, stories, names, rules and practices	
Contact details for individuals and organisations	
References relevant to specific CCA	