



# FORESTRY ACT AMENDMENT 2019

## SUMMARY OF REVISIONS



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## KEY REVISIONS



### IMPROVED REGULATION OF CHARCOAL

- Charcoal is now defined as 'forest produce'\*
- Production, distribution, sale, possession, import and export of charcoal is not permitted without a charcoal licence
- Permits can only be granted by Department of Forestry, and only in conjunction with a DoF-approved reforestation or forest management plan



### INCREASED TRANSPARENCY & ACCOUNTABILITY

The mandate of the Department of Forestry has been increased to include:

- The existence of information systems that provide the public with easy access to forestry-related information and data
- Increased collaboration and participation of stakeholders in forestry-related decision-making processes



### STRENGTHENED LAW ENFORCEMENT & PROVISION OF PENALTIES

- Forest officers can carry firearms in the line of duty
- Penalties have been increased for a range of offences including deforestation and encroachment, the setting of fires, bribery and corruption, obstruction of justice, falsification of documents, and the trade and movement of illegal charcoal or roundwood
- Forest crimes now carries a penalty of up to 20 years in prison

Go to [www.dof.gov.mw](http://www.dof.gov.mw) or call 01 773 462 to view the amended Forestry Act or for more information.

## REVISED PENALTIES

OFFENCE Any person who...	MAX. PRISON SENTENCE	MAX. FINE	SECTION
<b>DEFORESTATION &amp; ENCROACHMENT in a forest reserve or protected area</b>			
Fells, cuts, takes, destroys, removes, collects, or uproots any tree and other vegetation;	10 years	MK5 million	46(a) A/R with 64.1 (a)
Squats, resides, erects a building, hut, livestock enclosures, or structure;			46(d) A/R with 64.1(c)
Grazes livestock, cultivates crops, clears, digs, or breaks up land for any road or for any purpose whatsoever;			46(d) A/R with 64.1(d)
Connives with or causes another person to fell/cut/take/destroy/remove/collect/uproot any tree and other vegetation	15 years	MK10 million	64.1 (b)

\* alongside trees, timber, firewood, branch wood, poles, bamboos, chips, sawdust, plants, grass reeds, peat, thatch, bedding, creepers, leaves, moss, fruits, seed, galls, slabs, roots, bark, rubber, gum, resin, sap, flowers, fungi, honey, wax, earth, water, soil, stones, vertebrates, invertebrates, wild animals, hides, horns, bones, ivory, and bushmeat.

OFFENCE Any person who...	MAX. PRISON SENTENCE	MAX. FINE	SECTION
<b>TRAFFICKING &amp; TRADE OF FOREST PRODUCTS</b>			
Knowingly received forest produce illegally; is found in possession of forest produce without a permit; trafficks in forest produce without a licence or permit.	10 years	MK5 million	68 (1 &2)
Engages in the production, possession, trafficking or sale of charcoal without a licence or permit.			68 (3a)
Possesses, trafficks or sells round wood without a licence or permit.	20 years		68 (3b)
Imports, exports, re-exports, or attempts to import, export or re-export any forest produce through any place other than a custom's post or port; or without producing to a customs officer a valid licence.	15 years	MK10 million	73
<b>OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE</b>			
Obstructs/hinders any officer in the performance of his functions under this Act; bribes; withholds information;	5 years	MK2 million	69
Refuses to furnish to any officer on request, particulars or information which the officer is entitled to obtain.			
<b>FALSIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS</b>			
Counterfeits or alters any licence, permit, or prescribed document permit; falsely marks any forest produce.	10 years	MK5 million	70
FIRE in a forest reserve or protected area, or village forest area			
Lights a fire in a forest reserve, protected forest area, or village forest area.	20 years	No option of a fine	39(1) A/R with 65(1)
Failing to take necessary precautions to prevent a fire from escaping control	10 years		39(4) A/R with 65(2)
<b>POACHING OF WILD ANIMALS</b>			
Hunts, pursues, kills, molests, captures or injures any animal, bird, fish, or reptile; or collects eggs or spawns from a forest reserve, a protected forest area or a village area.	10 years	MK5 million	66 (a & b)
Conveying/possessing/using a weapon (or trap, explosive, poison) in a forest reserve or a protected forest area.			43(1) with 71(1)
<b>PESTS &amp; DISEASES</b>			
Introduction of forest pests and diseases.	5 years	MK2 million	43(1) with 67
<b>WASTE &amp; POLLUTION</b>			
Deposits litter or noxious waste.	10 years + clean-up cost	MK2 million + clean-up cost	44 A/R with 72
<b>FORFEITURE &amp; COMPENSATION</b>			
Forfeiture of seized products to the Government; Compensation paid for any damage or loss relating to offence; Payment of ten times the amount of any associated royalties or fees; Demolition/Removal of any illegal structure or crop in contravention of this Act. All decisions directed by the Minister.			74

# A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

**Forests play a critical role in sustaining the health and prosperity of our nation – indeed our very survival. We rely on them for our energy and water, clean air and productive soils, and our resilience to natural disasters and climate change.**



By some estimates Malawi has lost over half of its forest cover in just 40 years. In our country deforestation and forest degradation are driven by our growing populations' demand for natural resources-charcoal and firewood, construction materials, and agricultural land. With limited alternatives, misuse and poor governance of our natural heritage will continue unless strong measures are taken. Legal and regulatory reforms are key components of the progressive, multi-agency response required to halt this cycle of destruction.

2019's Forestry Act Amendment was developed to increase transparency and accountability in the forestry sector, improve charcoal regulation, enhance opportunities for public-private partnerships, and provide forestry officers with greater powers of law enforcement.

By enacting the Amendment, our Government has acknowledged that forest crimes are serious offences. This is reflected in the new penalty provisions, which enable fines up to K10 million and custodial sentences of up to 20 years.

This focus was driven not only by the terrifying trajectory of the impending nature crisis, but also the evolving nature of forest and wildlife crime. For example, there is increasing involvement from organised crime networks who ultimately incite corruption and enlist a multitude of actors, including members of vulnerable communities. Strong penalties reflect justice for both people and the environment.

Legislative reform is one element of a broader initiative – entitled 'Modern Cooking for Healthy Forests' and co-funded by the US and UK governments. It will promote sustainable forest management in selected landscapes, increase alternative energy sources and efficient cooking technologies, maintain forest cover, and reduce land-based emissions.

Rapid, robust and decisive action of this nature is essential, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all collaborating agencies, non-governmental organisations, and donors who have committed to working with us to protect Malawi's natural capital for both this and future generations.

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**Stella Gama**  
Director, Department of Forestry  
Ministry of Forests and Natural Resources





# KUNOZYA MALANGO YAWAKUONA VYAMAKUNI 2019



# KUNOZYA MALANGO YAWAKUONA VYAMAKUNI 2019: MALO AYO YANOZYEKA



## KUNOZYEKA KWAMALUMULO YAMAKALA

- Makala sono yakutoleka nge vuna kufumila kuthondo\*
- Kotcha, kwendesya, kugulisya, kusangika, kugula na kugulisya ku vyalo vinyake kwambula chiphaso chaboma nkhwakukanizyika
- Chilolezo chingapelekeka nawa waku Boma awo wakuonelela nya makuni



## KUKHWIMISIKA KWA UNENESYO KWENISYO CHIGOMEZYO

- Pasangika nthowa yakuphweka yakamanyisyilo kamauthenga yakukhwafyana na vyamakuni ku wanhu
- Kuluta panthazi kwakukolelelana nakujipeleka kwawakutolapo lwandi wakupambana pambana pakupeleka maghanogħano yakukhwafyana na vyamakuni.



## KUKHWIMISYA KWA DANGO KWENISO VILANGO

- Wakugwila ntchito zakupwelela makuni mbakuzomeleyeka kunya mula futi apo wali mkatī mwakuteweta ntchito zavo
- Milando yakunanganya makuni sono inachilango chakugwila jele mpakana vilimika 20

Pala mukukhumba kumanya vinandi panyake kuona malango ghakusinthika gha vyamakuni yimbani foni ku 01 773 462 panji lutani pa [www.dof.gov.mw](http://www.dof.gov.mw).

## VILANGO IVYO VYASINTHIKA

CHILANGO	VYAKA VYAKUKHALILA KU JERE	CHIKHOLE	RWANDI LA VILANGO
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### WAKUDUMULA MAKUNI NAKUSANGIKA MU MALO YAKUVIKILILIKI NA BOMA

Kuwisia, kudumula, kutola, kunanga, kufunyamo panyake kuzyula khuni lilose kweniso vyakumela vinyake	Vilimika 10	MK5 million	46(a) A/R kweniso 64.1 (a)
Kukhala, kuzenga nyumba panyake chitupa			46(d) A/R kweniso 64.1(c)
Kuryesya viweto, kulimamo, kusengula, kujima panyake kujulamo nthowa kwa chakulinga chilichose			46(d) A/R kweniso 64.1(d)
Kulimbikisya panyake kupangisya munthu kuti wadumule/kutola/ kunanga/kufunyamo/Kuzyula khuni lilose panyake chakumela	Vilimika 15	MK10 million	64.1 (b)

\* Mwakukhwasyana na Makuni, Mathabwa, nkhusi, mphanda, Mityangala, Misombe, Vigodo, Vyakumela, Matete, Utheka, Nyozzi, mahamba, Vipaso, Misisi, Vikwa, labala, Maluwa, Uchi, Chalo, Maji, Dongo, Malibwe, Nyama Zaviwanga, Nyama Zambula Viwanga, Nyama zakuthondo, Vikumba, Mazipondo, Nyanga kweniso Nyama Zakuthondo.

CHILANGO MUNTHU ALIYOSE UYO...	VYAKA VYAKUKHALILA KU JERE	CHIKHOLE	RWANDI LA VILANGO
<b>KUGWENTHESYA NAKUGULISYA VINTHU VYAKUTHONDO</b>			
Wapokelela vinthu vyakukanizyika ivyo vyakufumila kuthondo kweni wakumanya kuti nivyakukanizyika			68 (1 & 2)
Kukhwafiyika nakupanga, kusangika, kugwenthesyanya panyake kugulisia makala kwambula chilolezyo chaku Boma	Vilimika 10	MK5 million	68 (3a)
Kusangika, kugwenthesyanya panyake kugulisia nkhuni kwambula chilolezyo chaku Boma	Vilimika 20		68 (3b)
Kunjizya panyake kufumya mchalo vinthu vyamthondo mwakugwenthya wamsonkho uwo ukutoleleka pa vyakufuma nakunjila Mchalo	Vilimika 15	MK10 million	73
<b>KUTIMBANIZYA CHELUZO</b>			
Kutimbanizya wakugwila ntchito za vyakuthondo apo wakugwila ntchito yake, navimbundi panyake kumubisila ivo imwe mukumanyapo	Vilimika 5	MK2 million	69
Kubisa nkhani panyake icho mukumanyamapo malinga munthu wakugwila ntchito ya vyakuthondo wafumba			
<b>KUPANGA VIKALATA VYAUTESI</b>			
Kupanga vikalata vyautesi vyakuti mugwilisye ntchito vyakuthondo mwautesi	Vilimika 10	MK5 million	70
<b>MOTO M'THONDO LAKUVIKILILICA NA BOMA PANYAKE THONDO LA M'CHIKAYA</b>			
Kukozya moto m'thondo lakuvikililika naboma panyake Chikaya	Vilimika 20		39(1) A/R kweniso 65(1)
Kutondeka kusanga nthowa zakupwelela kuti moto uleke kunanga vinthu	Vilimika 10	Palije Chikhole	39(4) A/R kweniso 65(2)
<b>KUKOMA NYAMA ZAKUTHONDO</b>			
Kuwinda, kudikizya, kutimbanizya, kukoma, kukola panyake kupweteka nyama iliyose, chiyuni, somba panyake vyagulu lamtondoli; panyake kutola masumbi m'thondo lakuvikililika na Boma panyake Chikaya	Vilimika 10	MK5 million	66 (a & b)
Kusangika/kugwilisya ntchito chida (Chingawa Chipingo, Bomba, Mankhwala Yakukoma) M'thondo lakuvikililika na Boma panyake Chikaya			43(1) kweniso 71(1)
<b>NYAMA ZAKURYA VYAKUMELA KWENISO MATENDA YA VYAKUMELA</b>			
Kwizisya Vibungu na Nyama Kweniso matenda ya vyakumela.	Vilimika 5	MK2 million	43(1) kweniso 67
<b>VISWASWA KWENISO KUNANGANYA</b>			
Kutaya Viswaswa vyamtundu uliose	Vilimika 10 kweniso kulipilila mtengo wakunozyela mthondo	MK2 Million kweniso kulipilila mtengo wakunozyela mthondo	44 A/R kweniso 72
<b>KUPOKEKA KATUNDU KWENISO KUPELEKA CHIKHOLE</b>			
BOMA likutola katundu wose wakupokeka; Kupeleka chikhole chakuwezyelapo katundu wose uwo wanangika pakukhuzana na mlandu; kulipila makopala pa mlingo waka 10 mwakukhuzana na ivyo yyanangika; kuvisya vinthu vyakuzengeka kwambula kuzomelezyeka kweniso kuzyula mbewu zakupandika kwambula kuzomelezyeka, kwakulingana na maghanogħano yakuzomelezyeka na mphala ya malango			74

# UTHENGA WAKUFUMILA KWA MLALA WAKUONELA VYAMTHONDO

Vyamthondo vugwila ntchito yakuzirwa yakulutisya panthazi moyo uwemi nachitukuko chamchalo, nimthasyi wachalo. Tikugomezya vyamthondo pakusangako Nkhongono kweniso maji, mphepo ziwemi kweniso dongo la vundila, mwakusazyilapo chivikilili kwa ngozi zamchalo kweniso kusintha kwa nyengo.



Kulingana nachiyezelelo Malawi yataya khati la thondo pamlingo wa vilimika 40. Mchalo chithu kunangika kwa thondo kukwiza chifukwa cha kukula kwa chiwelengelo chatawanthu icho chupangisya kuti chikhumbo chakukhumba vyakuthondo ngati makala na nkhuni, vyakuzengela kweniso malo yakulimapo. Mwakusowekela thowa zinyake, kagwilisyo ntchito kweniso udangilili uheni pa vyamthondo ulutilenje pekhapekha pakhazikike upangili uwemi. Kunozya mapangano yawemi ndiyo yangovwila pakulimbana nakawilo kakunanga vyamthondo.

Malango ya vyamthondo aya yanozyeka chaka cha 2019 yapangikila kuti unenesyo nachigomezyo vilute panthazi, kulutisya panthazi kakanizyilo kakotcha makala, kipeleka mwawi waubale pakati pawa boma na maupo yakujiyimilila payekha kweniso kuwapasa mazaza wakulembeka na boma pakugwila ntchito yavo yakuhwimisyia lamulo lakupwelela makuni.

Pakukhozyela kusintha kwamalango, Boma ladidimizgapo kuti milandu yavyamthondo nja zyalo yayi. Nivyakuonekelathu muvilango vyा sono, ivyo vikuzomelezya chikhole chakufikila K10 million kweniso kugwila jele vilimika mpakana 20.

Utatawi uwu ukiza chifukwa chakanangikilo ka vyachilengiwa pela yayi, kweniso kakulilo kwa milandu ya vyamthondo (Vyakumela kweniso Nyama). Mwachiyezelelo kusangika kwa milandu yapachanya yakukhuza wantru wanandi wakupambanapana awo wakupangaso vimbundi, kweniso kukhuzika kwa wantru awo mbakusuzyika muukhalilo nakasangilo. Vilango vikali vikwizisya ukhalilo uwemi kwa wantru na chalo.

Kunozya kwa Malango ni nthowa imoza pa upangili uwo ulipo wakuthasya vyamthondo, upangili uwu ukuchemeka kuti Modern Cooking for Healthy Forests' iyo M'chitumbuka ni 'Kaphikilo Kipsa kauthasyi wavyamthondo'. Ntchito iyi yikugwilika na wowwili wa ndalamu kufuma kuma Boma ya US kweniso UK. Ntchito iyi yovwilenge kulutisya panthazi kayendesyeleo ka upweleli wa vyamthondo muvigawa vyakusoleka, kusanga nthowa zinyake zakuphikila zambula kumala nkhuni kweniso kuleka kugomezya nkhuni pela pakuphika.

Kupangika kwa viganizo vyakutheka nge ivyi nkhwakukhumbikila, nisangilepo mwawi wakuonga wose awo tikugwila nawo ntchito iyi, mabungwe ayo ngaboma yayi kweniso awo wapeleka wowwili, awo waonesya kunweka pakugwila nase ntchito lumoza pakuthasya chuma chachilengiwa kwa wantru wasono kwenisyo awo wazam'babika mnthazi.

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# MALAMULO ATSOPANO AKAYENDETSEDWE KA NKHALANGO 2019



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## MALAMULO OMWE AKHAZIKITSIDWA OKHUDZA MAKALA

- Tsopano makala ali m'gulu la zinthu zochokera mnkhalango\*
- Kupanga, kugawa, kugulitsa, kupezeza, kutulutsa komanso kulowetsa mdziko makala sizololedwa ngati ulibe chiphaso choyenela
- Chiphaso chikuyenera kuperekedwa ndi nthambi yokhayo yaboma yowona za nkhalango



## KUCHULUKITSA CHILUNGAMO NDI KUPANGA ZINTHU POYERA

Mphamvu zoyendetsera nthambi ya boma ya za nkhalango zawonjezeledwa motere;

- Kupezeza kwa njira zopezera mauthenga osiyanasiyana komwe kuthandizile anthu kuti azipeza uthenga okhudzana ndi za nkhalango mosavuta
- Kukulitsa mgwirizano pakati pa ma bungwe komaso kutengapo mbali popanga ziganzo zokhudzana ndi nkhalango



## KUKHWIMITSA MALAMULO KOMASO KUYIKA ZILANGO

- Ogwira ntchito ku ofesi ya zankhalango akhoza kunya mula zida monga mfuti pomwe akukagwira ntchito
- Zilango zawonjezeredwa kutengela ndi zomwe munthu walakwa monga; kudula mitengo ndi kukhala mnkhalango, kuyatsa nkhalango, ziphuphu/ katangale, kusokoneza mwadala kuti chilungamo chisadziwike, mapepala a chinyengo komaso kugulitsa ndi kuyendetsa makala ndi malogi pogwiritsa ntchito njira zosaloledwa
- Zilango zophwanya malamulo amnkhalango zafika mpaka zaka makumi awiri

Ngati mukufuna kuona komanso kumva zambiri za malamulo atsopano a kayendetsedwe ka Nkhalango, pitani ku [www.dof.gov.mw](http://www.dof.gov.mw) kapena imbani pa telefoni nambala iyi 01 773 462.

## KUSINTHA KWA ZILANGO

CHILANGO	ZAKA ZOKHALA KUNDENDE	NDALAMA YA CHINDAPUSA	GAWO LA MALAMULO
<strong>KUDULA MITENGO KAPENA KUKHALA MKHALANGO KAPENA MALO OTETEZEDWA</strong>			
Kugwetsa, kudula, kutenga, kuwononga, kuchotsa kapena kuzula mtengo kapena tchire lina liri lose mnkhalango;			46(a) A/R komanso 64.1 (a)
Kukhala, kumanga nyumba, kumanga khola kapena kumanga chilichose;	Zaka khumi	MK5 million	46(d) A/R komanso 64.1(c)
Kudyetsa ziweto, kulima, kupala, kukumba kapena kulambula malo kuti akoze msewu kapena ndi cholinga china chili chose;			46(d) A/R komanso 64.1(d)
Kulimbikitsa wina kapena kupangitsa munthu wina kuti agwetse/adule/atenge/ awononge/achotse/azule mtengo kapena udzu.	Zaka khumi ndi zisanu	MK10 million	64.1 (b)

\* pamodzi ndi mitengo, matabwa, nkhuni, nthambi zamitengo, ma pholo, Nsungwi, Zidutswa za mitengo, zonyenyeka ku matabwa, zomera, bango, zowola kuchokera ku masamba, udzu, zoyala, zoyanga, masamba, ndele, zipatso, mbeu, zotupa za mitengo/nthombwa, miyala, mizu, Khungwa, ulimbo, zonono, utomoni, mamina a mtengo, maluwa, tizilombo tothandizira kupanga manyowa mu nthaka, uchi, malesa, dziko, madzi, nthaka, miyala, gulu la nyama zomwe zili ndi mafupa, gulu la nyama lomwe lilibe mafupa, nyama za ku tchire, zikopa, nyanga, mafupa, nyanga ya Njobvu ndi nyama ya nyama za kutchire.

### KUZEMBETSA NDI KUGULITSA ZINTHU ZOPEZEKA MNKHALANGO

Kulandira zinthu zopezeka mnkhalango mophwanya malamulo koma ukudziwa, kupezeza komanso kuzembetsa zinthu za mnkhalango opanda chilolezo.	Zaka khumi	MK5 million	68 (1 &2)
Kukhudzidwa popanga, kupezeza, kuzembetsa kapena kugulitsa makala opanda chilolezo.			68 (3a)
Kupezeza, kuzembetsa kapena kugulitsa malogi opanda chilolezo.	Zaka makumi awiri	MK10 million	68 (3b)
Kulowetsa, kutulutsa, kufuna kuzitulutsaso, kupezeza ukufuna kulowetsa kapena kutulutsa zinthu za mnkhalango kudzera munjira zina zosaloledwa kapena opanda chilolezo chochokela ku bungwe lowona za misonkho.	Zaka khumi ndi zisanu		73

### KUSOKONEZA MWADALA KUTI CHILUNGAMO CHISADZIWIKE

Kusokoneza ogwira ntchito kunkhalango pomwe akufuna kugwiritsa ntchito malamulowa komaso kupereka ziphuphu ndi kubisa uthenga ofunikila; kukana kupereka zinthu kapena uthenga ofunikila kwa munthu ogwira ntchito kunkhalango pomwe mwafusidwa kutelo.	Zaka zisanu	MK2 million	69
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### MAPEPALA A CHINYENGKO

Kupanga chiphaso cha chinyengo kapena kupanga chilolezo chili chose mwa chinyengo ndi cholinga choti mugwiritsa ntchito ngati chilolezo potulutsa zinthu za mnkhalango.	Zaka khumi	MK5 million	70
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### MOTO KUNKHALANGO KAPENA MALO OTETEZEDWA KAPENA NKHALANGO YA MMUDZI

Kuyatsa moto kunkhalango kapena malo otetezedwa kapena nkhalango ya mmudzi.	Zaka makumi awiri	Palibe mwayi opereka chindapusa	39(1) A/R komanso 65(1)
Kulephera kugwiritsa ntchito njira zoyenera zothandizila kupewa moto.	Zaka khumi		39(4) A/R komanso 65(2)

### KUPHA NYAMA YA MNKHALANGO

Kusaka, kupezeza ndi nyama, kupha, kusokoneza, kugwira kapena kuvulaza nyama ili yose ya mkhalango monga mbalame, nsomba, nyama ya gulu la njoka kapena kutenga mazira a nyama mnkhalango kapena malo otetezedwa kapena kumudzi.	Zaka khumi	MK5 million	66 (a & b)
Kugwiritsa ntchito kapena kupezeza ndi chida (kapena msampha kapena mankhwala akupha) mnkhalango kapena malo otetezedwa.			43(1) komanso 71(1)

### TIZILOMBO KAPENA MATENDA

Kubweretsa ti zilombo kapena matenda mnkhalango.	Zaka zisanu	MK2 million	43(1) komanso 67
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### KUTAYA ZINYALALA NDI KUYIPITSA MNKHALANGO

Kutaya zinyalala kapena zinthu zoti nyama ikhoza kuvulala nazo mnkhalango.	Zaka khumi + chindapusa chokonzer mu nkhalango kuti mukhale mwaukhondo	MK2 million + mtengo okonzela mnkhlangomo	44 A/R komanso 72
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### KULANDA / KUBWEZA KATUNDU NDI CHIWONGOLA DZANJA

Kubweza katundu olandidwa ku boma, kupereka chiongola dzanja chomwe chimapelekedwa pa zomwe zawonongedwa zogwirizana ndi mlandu, kupereka chindapusa chochuluka ndi mphambu khumi, kuphwasula kapena kuchotsa malo aliwonse osemphana ndi malamulowa. Nduna ya boma ili ndi mphamu yopereka chiganizo chomaliza.	74
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# UTHENGA OCHOKA KWA MKULU WOYANG'ANIRA DEPARTMENT YA ZA NKHALANGO

Nkhalango zimathandizira kuti umoyo wathu ukhale wathanzi komaso kuti dziko lathu litukuke. Timadalira nkhalangozi kuti tikhale amphavu komaso kuti tipeze madzi, tipeze mpweya wabwino komaso nthaka ya chonde, komaso kuti dziko lathu likhale lopilira ndi kusintha kwa nyengo.



Mongopenekela, mu zaka makumi anayi dziko lathu la Malawi lataya theka la nkhalango zake. M'dziko lathu la Malawi mitengo komaso nkhalango zimawonongeka chifukwa chakuchulukana kwa anthu, komwe kumadalira kugwiritsa ntchito zinthu zochokela mnkhalango, zinthuzi ndi monga makala, nkhuni, milimo ndi malo olimapo. Ndi Kuchepa kwa njira zina zabwino, kusagwiritsa bwino ntchito zinthu za mnkhalango komaso utsogoleri osayenera pa nkhani za chilengedwe zidzapitilira pokhapokha njira zina zabwino zitayikidwa ndi kugwiritsidwa ntchito.

Malamulo oyendetsela nkhalango awunikidwaso mu chaka cha 2019 ndi cholina chofuna kuti chilungamo ndi kupanga zinthu poyeru mu nthambi yaboma yowona za nkhalango chikule. Kuchepetsa mchitidwe wowotcha makala, kuwonjezela mwayi ku ubale omwe umakhalapo pakati pa boma ndi mabungwe oyima pawokha komaso kupereka mphamvu kwa anthu ogwira ntchito zoyang'anira nkhalango pogwiritsa ntchito malamulo.

Pokhazikitsa malamulowa, boma lavomeleza kut milandu yokhudzana ndi nkhalango ndi milandu ikuluikulu. Ndi chifukwa chake boma lakhazikitsa zilango zokhwima, ndipo chindapusa chafika pa 10 Million kwacha, pomwe zaka zokhala ku ndende zafika makumi awiri.

Izi zinachitika ndi cholina chofuna kuthana ndi milandu komanso kuwonongeka kwa za chilengedwe. Mwachitsanzo, magulu a za uchifwamba akunka nachulukira chulukira ndipo amalimbikitsa mchitidwe wa ziphuphu, ndipo amakhala ndi anthu ochuluka wopanga za uchufwamba kuphatikizapo anthu akumudzi. Zilango zokhwima zimasonryea chilungamo kwa anthu komaso kuzachilengedwezi.

Kusintha malamulo aza nkhalango ndi njira imodzi imene ikutsatidwa yomwe ikutchedwa (Kuphika kwa Makono ndi Nkhalango Zosamalika) 'Modern Cooking and Healthy Forests' ndi thandizo lochoka kuboma la dziko la United States ndi United Kingdom. Izi zithandiza kupititsa patsogolo ntchito yosamalira khalango, kulimbikitsa kugwiritsa ntchito kutsata njira zosaononga chilengedwe pophika, kuteteza nkhalango komaso kuchepetsa mpweya oyipa.

Kupanga ziganizo ngat zimenezi mwa changu ndikofunika, choncho ndikufuna ndithokoze magulu onse, mabungwe omwe si aboma ndi mabungwe ena ose omwe apereka chithandizo, chifukwa cholonjeza kuti agwira ntchito ndi boma pothandiza kuti titeteze zachilengedwe zathu kuti zitithandize nthawi ino komaso mtsogolo muno.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stella Gama".

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