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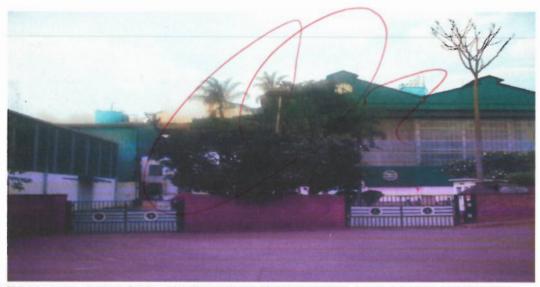
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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

CTM - CHIEF TRAINING MANAGER

IT - INDUSTRAL TRAINING

LTD - LIMITED

KSL - KAKIRA SUGAR LIMITED

SHE - SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT

T.T.O - TECHNICAL TRAINING OFFICER

EG - FOR EXAMPLE

BUAC - BUSITEMA UNIVERSITY ARAPAI CAMPUS

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#### ABSTRACT.

This report is for industrial training that I carried out in Kakira sugar Limited which is located in Jinja district 16km from Jinja town along Iganga-Malaba high way in Eastern Uganda. The objective of this training is to expose students to the practice in the field and in the aspect of crop production and disease management. During my attachment in the factory, I was placed in the Agriculture department which had four sections i.e. Nucleus estate, Agronomy, horticulture and dairy which exposed me to the following activities; land preparation, sugar cane planting, fertilizer application, weeding, irrigation, harvesting, sugar cane transportation, sugar cane weighment, juice analysis, sugar cane maturity survey, tiller counting, growing of vegetables, nursery preparation, compost making, spraying, pest and disease identification, lawn management, identification of tools, identification of chemicals, milking, ration mixing of feeds bucket feeding, drainage maintenance and general cleanliness. With this training Lfaced various challenges while in the field which included the following; it was tiresome for me to count the internodes of sugar cane during cane weighment, it was hard for me to count the shoots of sugar cane during tiller counting, I faced a challenge of too much sunshine in the field when counting sugar cane, it was also tiresome for me to make a nursery bed and compost manure. However, with the above challenges I managed to complete my industrial training successfully and it was good.

#### CHAPTER ONE

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Kakira Sugar Limited is Uganda's leading producer of mill white sugar. It was founded by late Muljibai Prabhudas Madhvani in 1920s as a private family business. It is the flag bearer of the Madhvani Group of companies.

## 1.1 Background of Kakira Sugar Limited

Madhvani Sugar Estate (now Kakira Sugar Limited) was first established in 1920 with the capacity of crush 150 tones of cane per day. It was wholly and privately owned by late Muljbhai Madhvani Pradhudas who lived from 1899 to 1958. In 1972, the owner left the country due to political upheavals and the assets of Kakira Sugar Limited were expropriated by then Uganda government and eventually run down.

However, under a new government in 1985, a joint venture agreement vested the assets into Kakira Sugar Works (1985) Ltd.

The new company set out to establish a new plant and rehabilitate the sugarcane plantation and other infrastructures at massive cost of over 60million dollars borrowed from the World Bank, African Development Bank and Uganda Development Bank.

Currently KSL is 100% owned by African Holdings Limited and has been expanded in phases to the present capacity which includes a 52MW cogeneration plant feeding 36MW to National grid.

KSL comprises of agricultural land of about 10,000 hectares, a sugarcane plant that processes over 179,172 tones of sugarcane during 2014 to 2015 crop season; and a 52MW power generation plant that supplies 36MW of its surplus power to the national main grid. In addition to sugarcane produced from its estates, KSL also buys sugarcane from about 8,600 outgrowers from their 25,400 hectares of cane. This makes KSL the largest sugar producer in Uganda. About 68% of sugarcane milled in the 2014 to 2015 season was purchased from the outgrower farmers. KSL is socially responsible employer of over 7,500 people or employees.