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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

- CTM - CHIEF TRAINING MANAGER
- IT - INDUSTRIAL TRAINING
- KSL - KAKIRA SUGAR LIMITED
- TTO - TECHNICAL TRAINING OFFICER
- e.g - FOR EXAMPLE
- BUAC - BUSITEMA UNIVERSITY ARAPAI CAMPUS
- REG NO - REGISTRATION NUMBER
- DCP - DIPLOMA IN CROP PRODUCTION
- DAP - DIAMMONIUM PHOSPHATE
- TSP - TRI-SUPER PHOSPHATE
- MOP - MURIATE OF POTASH

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## **ABSTRACT**

During my field attachment at Kakira Sugar Limited, I successfully carried out a number of activities in four different sections from 28<sup>th</sup> February to 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022.

Under nucleus estate, activities such as; - identifying implements, land preparation, planting, weed management, fertilizer application, irrigation and cane harvesting were successfully done.

Dairy unit is located at Kabiya hill and purely deals in fresh and clean milk production. I actively participated in; - machine milking, feed mixing, bucket feeding of calves, hand spraying against ecto-parasites, general cleaning of animal sheds and drainage systems in the farm.

Agronomy is a research station dealing with cane variety evaluation, tiller counting, growth rate measurement, juice analysis in the laboratory, fertilizer application, cane planting, cane harvesting, cane weighment and weather forecasting.

Horticulture deals with vegetable and ornamental plant growing, nursery bed preparation, compost making, pest and disease control then finally lawn and hedge management.

However, I was in position to gain practical skills and knowledge in line with my career and relating with field workers at Kakira Sugar Limited.

In a nutshell, I also encountered a few challenges like placement delays but I recommend KSL to officially reopen the trainee activities so that students from higher institutions can be absorbed and availed with opportunities to conduct their training from within the KSL estates thus catering for their practical needs.

## **1.0 CHAPTER ONE**

### **1.1 Introduction**

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

### **1.2 Background of Kakira Sugar Limited**

Madhvani Sugar Estate (now Kakira Sugar Limited) was first established in 1920 with the capacity of crushing 150 tons of cane per day. It was wholly and privately owned by late Muljibhai Madhvani Prabhudas 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 the 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 now set out to establish a new plant and rehabilitate the sugarcane plantation and other infrastructures at massive cost of over 60 million US Dollars borrowed from the World Bank, African Development Bank and Uganda Development Bank.

Currently KSL is 100% owned by African Holdings Limited and has 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 tons of sugarcane during the 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 estate, KSL also buys sugarcane from about 8,000 out growers from their 25,000 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 out-grower farmers. KSL is socially responsible employer of over 7,500 people or employees.