PRESENTATION AT THE 8TH WATER-FOOD-ENERGY –ECOSYSTEM NEXUS MEETING

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OUTLINE

- Zambia's current activities on Transboundary Water Allocation.
- New twinning Initiatives with Ghana and Hungary.
- Regional Water allocation Workshop.
- Challenges, successes and lessons learnt



Zambia's current activities on Transboundary Water Allocation

- Subscribes to the SADC Revised protocol on shared watercourses of 2000.
- Part of the governance system of the Zambezi Watercourse Commission – Promotion of Equitable and Reasonable Utilization of the Water Resource at Transboundary level.
- Participates in the Convention on the sustainable management of Lake Tanganyika.



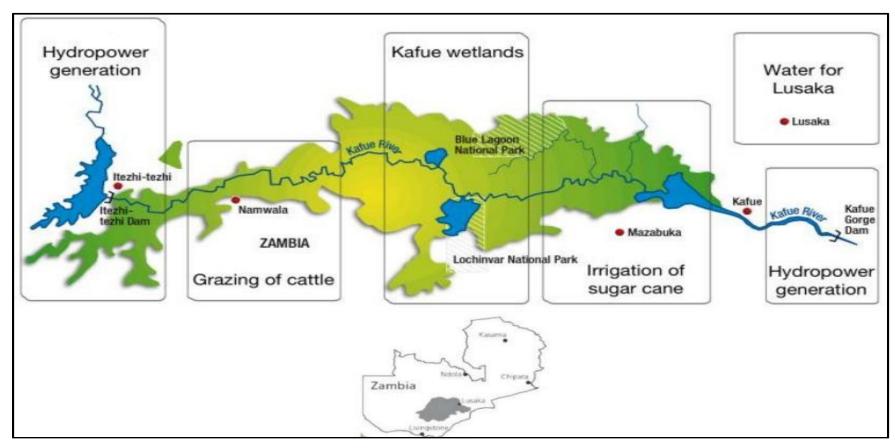
Zambia's current activities on Transboundary Water Allocation

- Participates in the Zambezi River Authority in the transboundary allocation of Water between Zambia and Zimbabwe at the Lake Kariba Complex.
- Participates in the water convention's programme of work 2022-2024 (Activities on Transboundary water allocation-Promoting an integrated and intersectoral approach to water management at all levels)



Zambia's current activities on Transboundary Water Allocation-WEFE Context

Trade off between Hydropower generation and irrigation in the Kafue Catchment





New twinning Initiatives with Ghana and Hungary

Key Milestones

- Participated in the Global Water Workshop on twining with Ghana and Hungary
- Planning Meeting will be conducted in Ghana December 2023.

Areas of collaboration include:

- Water Cooperation
- Water Resources Management
- Capacity Building



Regional Water Allocation Workshop

Held in Livingstone, Zambia (15th -16th April, 2024)

Areas of focus

- Key elements in water allocation
- Twining with Ghana and Hungary
- Official launch of technical negotiations on the establishment of the Luapula River Authority.



Challenges, successes and Lessons Learnt

Challenges

- ERU not actualized in terms of benefit sharing.
- Inadequate data sharing.

Successes

 Transboundary Water governance structures in place and operational at River Basin and regional level.



Challenges, successes and Lessons Learnt

 Benefit sharing- Transboundary infrastructure development projects, adaptation programmes to build community resilience.

Lessons Learnt

- Data sharing is cardinal in Transboundary Water Allocation.
- Mechanisms such as the WEFE- Nexus approach can be utilized to enhance water allocation at all levels.



Challenges, Successes and Lessons Learnt

 Transboundary Water Cooperative arrangements lead to strengthened governance systems leading to benefit sharing and enhanced water diplomacy.



Thank you!!!