



## ZAMBIA LAND ALLIANCE

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### **Who we are:**

The Zambia Land Alliance (ZLA) herein after referred to as ZLA, is registered as a not-for-profit, non-partisan, non-governmental organisation (NGO) under the societies act chapter 119 of the laws of Zambia.

ZLA is a network of non-governmental organisations promoting fair land policies, laws and land administration which takes into account the needs of the poor. ZLA operates through a national secretariat (NS) based in Lusaka and its district branches in the 10 provinces. ZLA also operates through district and national members, and other civil society partners who have an interest in land.

**objectives** the long-term objectives of the ZLA are:

- i. To lobby government and other stakeholders for land related laws, policies and administrative systems that are inclusive of the poor and marginalised groups.
- ii. To conduct research and to maintain records related to land laws, policies and practices, and relevant landmark events and changes including the successes scored by those pursuing equitable access and ownership of land;
- iii. To raise awareness on land issues through information sharing and advocacy and
- iv. To build and maintain networks and to collaborate with national, regional and international bodies in order to benefit from their resources and experiences.

### **ZLA VISION, MISSION AND VALUES**

#### **Vision Statement**

‘A Zambia in which the rural, peri-urban and urban poor and vulnerable have secured access, ownership and control over land for sustainable development’

#### **Mission Statement**

Zambia Land Alliance is a platform for collective action committed to promoting equitable access, control and secured ownership of land by the rural, peri-urban and urban poor and vulnerable, through networking, research, community partnership, lobbying and advocacy

## **WHAT WE VALUE**

The following values shall govern the way ZLA and its membership will operate and relate with stakeholders:

- i. **Accountability and Transparency** - In trying to promote land ownership and security of tenure, ZLA believes in being accountable and implementing activities in a transparent manner in order to win public confidence
- ii. **Equity and Fairness** - In order to promote land rights for the poor and vulnerable persons, ZLA believes in a non-discriminatory approach towards land administration
- iii. **Justice and Human Dignity** - ZLA will strive to ensure that justice prevails in the allocation and administration of land in Zambia as well as protection of the dignity of the poor and vulnerable persons
- iv. **Collective Interest** - the alliance endeavors to arouse collective interest among its members and stakeholders in order to promote equitable access to secured ownership of land by the rural and urban poor
- v. **Self-Reliance and Sustainability** - ZLA promotes self-reliance and sustainability in order to enhance continuity of programs and projects. The alliance further commits itself to the principles of fairness in land administration and also in ensuring that activities are implemented as planned
- vi. **Community Participation** – The alliance being the mouth-piece of the poor and vulnerable, ensures that community members are aware of various land issues affecting them and participate in the policy and law formulation
- vii. **Poor People's Participation in Governance** – ZLA promotes the need for the poor people to participate in the various governance structures at their level

**vii. WHAT WE DO**



**A PARALEGAL ADDRESSING THE NEWLY FORMED CBNRM COMMITTEE**



ZLA going through the customary land guidelines with the chief's council for chief Chipeco in Chirundu



Chief's council member contributing on the customary land guideline during the meeting

### **How and the strategies we use**

There are a number of strategies ZLA use to reach out to the target audies. This is done through;

Community sensitization meetings

Holding and conducting radio programs

Conduct researches

Provision of legal education and advice

Creation of community structures such as the Land Advocacy committees, Study circle groups, Formation of Community Based Natural Resources Management Committees (CBNRMC), Saving groups or Village banking groups.