AN ASSESSEMENT OF FACTORS AFFECTING WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AMONG THE PASTORALIST COMMUNITIES IN MARSABIT NORTH DISTRICT: A CASE OF BUBISA LOCATION

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ABSTRACT

The study was carried out to determine factors affecting water resources management in Bubisa Location of Turbi Division in Marsabit North District. The study focused on the management of boreholes in Bubisa and Shura as they are the main source of water in the area of study and have faced many challenges in their management. The variables studied were; low income, poor role play, lack of education and poor leadership. Background information relating to the area of study was reviewed for a broader base and for proper conceptualization of the research problem. Literature related to the problem was reviewed to shed more light on the study problem. Research questions were formulated based on the variables under investigation namely: low income, lack of education, poor leadership and poor participation. The role theory was used to explain the scenario alongside with variables low income, lack of education and poor leadership to provide conceptual frame work for the study. The scope and delimitation to the study too was also surveyed. The primary respondents of the study were water management committees and local communities while secondary respondent were leaders. Due to scarcity of resources random sampling technique was used where the population was divided into several status and then random sampling was done. The methods of data collection used were questionnaires, observation, and focus group discussion. Both open and close ended questions were used to get information from the respondents. Data collected during the study were analyzed using descriptive statistics and presented using tables, pie charts and bar graphs. From the findings, recommendations were drawn to map the way forward for effective and efficient water resources management of boreholes in the study division.

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