



### ASSESSMENT OF AWARENESS ON THE USE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY IN URBAN DISTRICT OF ZANZIBAR

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## Introduction

- It is important for Zanzibar communities to have a good understanding of RE, so that they can make informed decisions about energy use and support the transition to a sustainable energy future.
- Zanzibar is enriched with enough RE sources (i.e., solar, wind and biomass) necessary for development of the successful energy sector.
- Despite this massive potentials, Zanzibar has achieved little in terms of RE uses compared to other countries in Africa.
- When examining RE uses figures, Zanzibar shows little performance in almost every aspect of RE energy.
- The number of RE users is still small and contributions to the country's energy economy is small too.
- An indication that, the communities in Zanzibar have limited knowledge of RE and their benefits in countries economy and combating climate changes.



## Introduction

• Therefore, this study aimed at assessing the understanding on the use of RE technology among people in urban district of Zanzibar.

### Significance of the Study

- The will provide information regarding to awareness on the RE uses.
- The findings might also be used to inform the policies makers, curriculum developers and communities at large to promote sustainable energy practices and address environmental challenges and climate change.



### **Population and Sampling**

- The population for this study was people living in urban district of Zanzibar.
- The study sample was selected randomly from the list of registered people as per their ZAN ID.
- Since the sampling frame was comprises a large number of people, the study was covered by only 100 people from urban district.



### **Data Collection Procedure**

- Data were collected using structured questionnaires on a sample of respondents from urban district selected from their ZAIN ID.
- The respondents were then requested to participate in the study by filling in the questionnaires.

### **Questionnaires Administration**

- Personal interviews was used in order to administer the questionnaires.
- Personal interview was used in order to guide the respondents to provide relevant information relating to the study and ensure higher response rate.



## **Data Cleaning**

- Data with margin of error and inconsistencies and were rejected.
- The data with uniformity and accuracy were accepted for further processing using SPSS.

### **Data Processing**

 Data collected were analyzed and tested for reliability using the Statistical Program for Social Science (SPSS) version 20.



#### **Data Reliability**

- Data reliability was tested using Cronbach alpha.
- Each part was tested separately as advised by Cronbach (1951), and the results are shown in Table 1.
- Values between 0.5 and 0.8 are considered as a indicator of reliable data (Tull and Hawkins, 1999).
- Thus, this study captured data that are reliable for further testing.

#### Table 1: Reliability test

Cronbach's Alpha	Cronbach's Alpha Based on Standardized Items	No. of Items
0.639	0.659	10



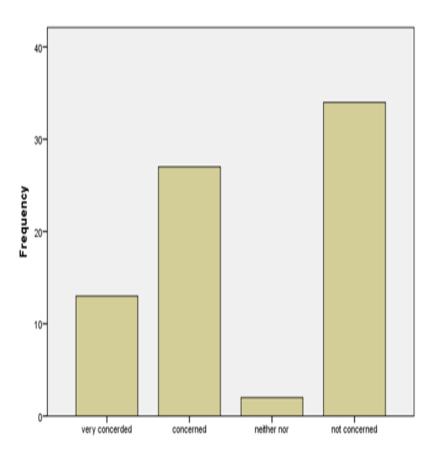
### Data Validity

- To ensure the validity, measuring instruments (questionnaires) were pilot tested.
- To ensure that:-
- 1. Respondents had no problems in giving answers.
- 2. There would no problem in reading the data.
- This enabled to obtain some assessment of the questions, and likely reliability of the data was concluded.



#### Respondents` concerned about RE

- This study shows that 52.6% of respondents are aware of RE while 44.7 % are not aware as shown in Figure 1.
- As Zanzibar still progressing in this technology, this findings is very convincing regarding the people awareness on RE.
- Because the level of awareness and knowledge of RE differ from country to country and even from region to region within the same country (Bird and Sumner, 2011).



#### Figure 1



#### Types of RE used at homes

- This study shows that, solar energy are mostly used 23.7% as a source of energy at homes in Zanzibar compared to biogas 9.2%, wind 7.9% and hydropower 1.3%.
- While 57.9% respondents are not using any kind of RE at their homes as shown in Figure 2.
- This results shows that, the general usage of RE is still low in Zanzibar.

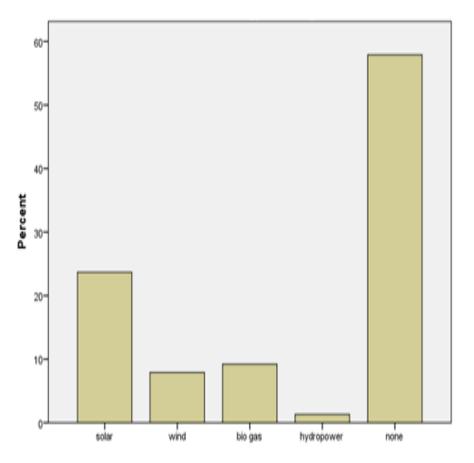


Figure 2



### Reason why Most People in Zanzibar do not use RE.

- The study shows that:-
- 30.3% are not aware about RE.
- 26.3% initial cost is high.
- 10.5% RE equipment are not available.
- 7.9% RE is difficult to install.
- 2.6% No enough technician of RE in Zanzibar.
- 22.7% they do not know the reasons behind.
- These reasons reflect differences in awereness regarding RE in Zanzibar.

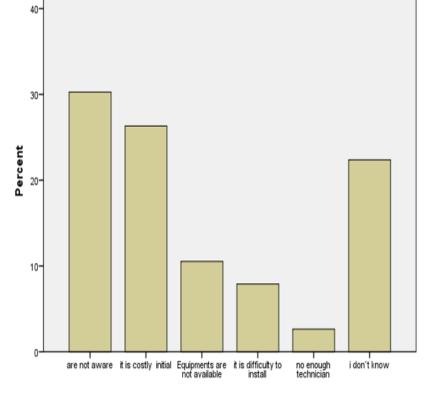
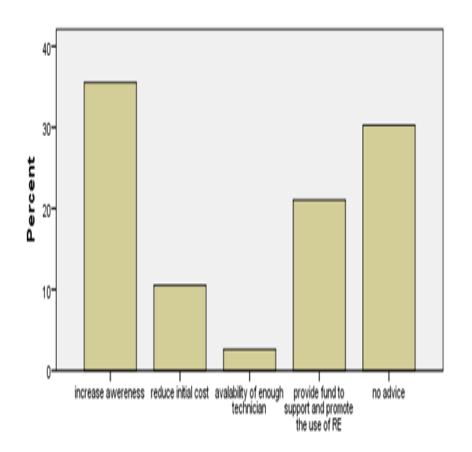


Figure 3



#### **Promotion of RE in Zanzibar**

- In order to promote RE in Zanzibar, 35.5% of respondents suggested that awareness should be increased.
- 21.1% of respondents have advice to provide fund to support and promote the use of RE.
- While 10.5% and 2.6% of respondents suggested the reduction of initial cost and provide enough technician, respectively.
- And 30.3% respondents have no advice regarding the use of RE in Zanzibar.



#### Figure 4



## **Conclusion & Recommendation**

#### Conclusion

- The awareness of wind and solar was outstanding and the relationship between them was very strong.
- In terms of promotion of RE better education and income are highly required.
- We did not show a significant relationship with age; however, in cluster formation, young people were typically more informed.
- Dissemination of information and knowledge can be carried out through multilevel marketing communication within the framework of programs increasing awareness.
- The government has to target stakeholders who play a crucial role in disseminating information and in shaping awareness, i.e, local authorities, non-governmental organizations, research institutes, the media, etc.

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### Recommendation

- Formulation of policies and discussions from all sectors towards the improvement of RE technologies sector to sustain them.
- Increase research in these areas, so that the fear of some renewables posing risks in the future is limited.
- Improve education, awareness-raising and human institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning.
- Efforts in Zanzibar aimed at improving institutional training, strengthening institutions and improving capacity of RE researches will increase awareness, promote adaptation and RE sustainability.



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