



25 YEAR ANNIVERSARY KVTC ESSAY CONTEST

"how has my environment changed since the day I was born and what role has KVTC played in this change and what role should it play in future"

At the end of this year (2017) the Kilombero Valley Teak Company (KVTC) has been investing in forestry in the Kilombero Valley for 25 years and to mark this momentous occasion the company will launch an essay contest.

The KVTC essay contest is organized to harness the energy, creativity and initiative of the youth in promoting sustainable development. It also aims to inspire the company to learn from the young minds and to think about how each of us can make a difference.

Detailed guidelines for the Essay Competition can be found on the next page as well as here: <http://kvtc-tz.com/news/>



ESSAY COMPETITION

OPEN FOR:
O-LEVEL STUDENTS FROM
ITETE, IRAGUA, IGOTA,
LUPIRO, IKUNGUA, ULANGA,
MINEPA AND MATUNDU
SECONDARY SCHOOLS.
**MAXIMUM 3 SUBMISSIONS
PER SCHOOL**

1,000-1,200 WORDS,
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND
TYPED OR PRINTED

PRIZES
1ST PRICE: 115,000 TZS
2ND PRICE: 90,000 TZS
3RD PRICE: 65,000 TZS
BEST SCHOOL: 400,000 TZS

ENQUIRIES:
KHAULE@KVTC-TZ.COM
+255 757 768 825

**KILOMBERO VALLEY
TEAK CO. LTD.**

PO Box 655
Ifakara

<http://kvtc-tz.com/>

Deadline for submission 27th
October 2017

<p>Theme</p>	<p>How has my environment changed since the day I was born and what role (positive or negative) has KVTC played in this change and what role should it play in future?</p>
<p>Background</p>	<p>Modern civilization has developed through controlling nature and exploiting its resources. This has resulted in changes to our environment and landscape. Whilst some of these changes are positive others are negative.</p> <p>Controlling change and mitigating the negative impacts of change to the environment are some of the great challenges of our time. Climate change, deforestation, changing rainfall patterns, storms and floods are all challenges we witness in our own daily lives.</p> <p>One of the changes that took place in the Kilombero Valley during the past 25 years was KVTC. The questions that we ask ourselves are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">) What can be learned from KVTC and how can lessons be applied to future?) Has KVTC made a positive or negative impact on people’s lives and the environment?) What role has KVTC to play in safeguarding the environment and how can it contribute to a better place for future generations? <p>Contestants are challenged to describe their ideas, own observations and experiences in your society. We like you to be critical about your own role as well as KVTC’s role.</p>
<p>Guidelines</p>	<p>Eligibility: O-level secondary school students from Itete, Iragua, Igota, Lupiro, Ikungua, Ulanga, Minepa na Matundu secondary schools</p> <p>Essays must be 1,000-1,200 words and be in English language. Word count excludes essay title and cover page. Essays may be typed or printed</p> <p>Essays must have: a) cover page, b) essay title, c) name of author, d) address and contact details, e) age of author at time of writing, f) gender, g) school name and h) word count</p> <p>Each school is required to select the best three candidates and submit these essays to KVTC</p> <p>On submission please enclose the contact information of the submitting school and the assigned teacher.</p> <p>Entries may be submitted by email or in person</p> <p>Entries missing any of the above information will not be considered</p> <p>Essays must be original and unpublished</p> <p>Essays must be written by one person. Co-authored essays are not accepted</p> <p>A panel consisting of KVTC management will be assigned to do the final grading of the submitted essays (8 school x 3 essays per school = 32 essays)</p> <p>Copyright of the essays entered will be assigned to the organizer</p> <p>Entries must be received by October 27th, 2017</p>