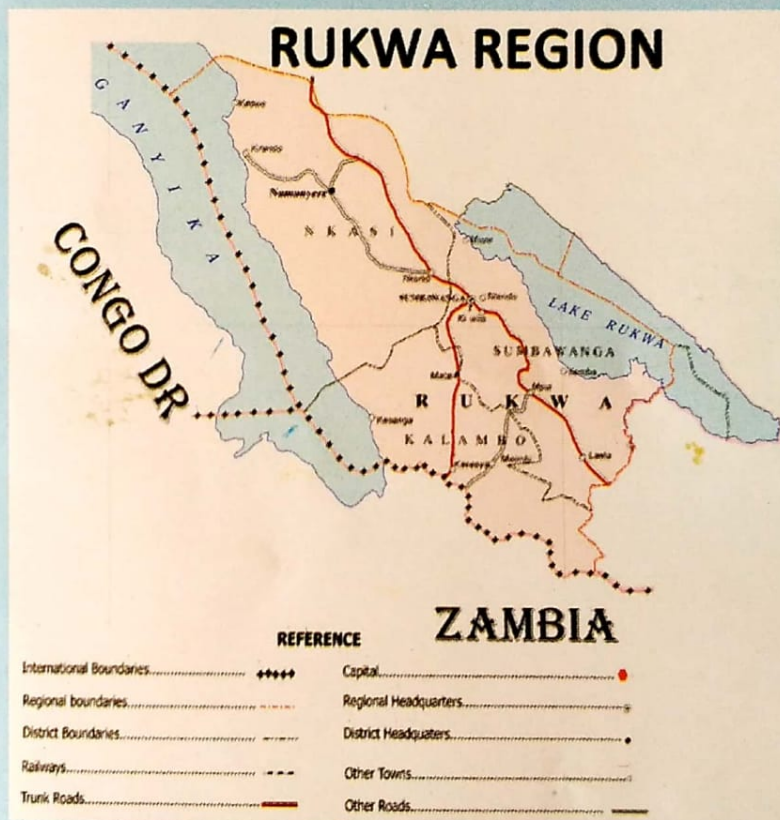




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RUKWA REGION



*Innovative Investment for SMEs,
Industries and Trade Growth*

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KASANGA, KIPILI AND KIRANDO BEACH RESORTS

Rukwa Region

GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION AND BOUNDARIES

Rukwa Region is located in the South Western Part of Tanzania. The Region lies between latitudes 5° to 9° south of Equator and longitude 30° to 33.0° East of Greenwich.

Land Area: Rukwa Region has a total area of 27,765 km² out of which 6,605 km² is water bodies and the remaining 21,160 km² is the land area used for settlement, agriculture, mining and forest reserves.

Administrative units: Administratively, Rukwa Region has 3 Districts namely Sumbawanga, Kalambo and Nkasi which comprises 4 Local Government Authorities.

Population size: Based on the population census reports of 2012; Rukwa Region had a population of 1,004,539 people, currently (2014) the population is estimated to be 1,076,087 people.

Climate: Rukwa Region enjoys tropical climate with mean temperatures ranging between 13°C in some places for the months of June and July to 27°C in the hottest months of October to December. The mean rainfall ranges between 700-1200mm.

WHY INVEST IN RUKWA REGION

Despite the existence of an abundance of unexploited natural wealth in Rukwa, the Region is strategically located for investment opportunities in economic infrastructure, mining, agriculture, fisheries, tourism, industries and trade, communication and social services.

Service Sector: Service Sectors such as ICT, Education, Health and Fashion Industries are still at their infancy stage. This is a potential area for investment.

POTENTIAL AREAS FOR INVESTING

Agriculture: It is estimated that about 80 percent of the population in the Region depend on agriculture and livestock keeping for their livelihood. While only 10 percent of the population depend on fisheries. The region has potential for investment in primary and secondary agro-processing including oil extraction and refinery industries.



Sunflower



Wheat



Maize crop

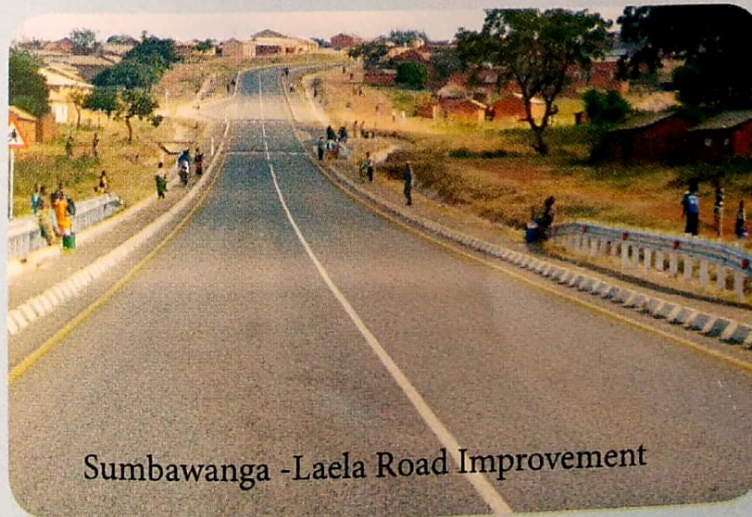


Paddy farm

TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT

Road Network:

Rukwa Region has an estimated road network of 3,719.25 km out of which 160.3 km are tarmac. and currently 113.72 km are being upgraded to the paved standard. The Region has no railway network.



Sumbawanga -Laela Road Improvement

Air Transport is an open investment opportunity in the Region. The Region has one airport located in Sumbawanga Municipality and 4 air strips located in different places. The Region is served by one commercial flight twice a week.

Sumbawanga airport



Water Transport is the key means of transport in Lake Tanganyika and Rukwa. It is a significant link to countries of Great Lakes. MV Liemba and MV Mwongozo are the only vessels that sail on lake Tanganyika from Bujumbura (Burundi) to Mpulungu (Zambia) via Kipili and Kasanga Ports. Local traditional boats and canoes are used for cargo transportation and fishing activities. This is the area for investment.

Kasanga Port Improvement



MV. Liemba



Energy: Investment opportunities exist in power generation from Coal, Hydro, Solar and Wind Energy.

Minerals: has huge mineral deposits of different kinds namely, coal, silver, mica, limestone, gemstones, emerald building materials, uranium, rare earth minerals (used in IT, TV, Satellite and Communication), salt, yellow and black opal, agate, aquamarine, limonite, zircon, copper and marble.



Coal



Emerald

NATURAL RESOURCES

Forest Reserve: The Region has 260.35 km² of Forest reserves. However, still there is an opportunity for expansion through tree planting.

Beekeeping: The Region is among the highest quality honey producer. This is due to heavy Miombo wood forest reserve and conservation strategies. However, there is potential of gradually increasing honey production from the current 96 tons per annum.

Wildlife: There are numerous species of wildlife which are found in the game reserves, game controlled areas and hunting blocks. Popular among these species are buffaloes, giraffes, elephants, crocodiles and various species of birds, snakes and rare species of Red Colobus Monkey.



TOURISM

The Region is endowed with marvelous tourist attractions comprising Wildlife Reserves, Cultural Tourism, and Historical sites eg. Bismark Fort. Other attractions include Lake Tanganyika the second deepest lake in the World, Kalambo Falls the second deepest waterfalls in Africa and undisturbed Mbizi Forest where Red Colobus Monkeys and various fauna are found.

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Kalambo Falls


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