

WHV - Environmental Uprooting Lantana Camara

Mosi-oa-Tunya / Victoria Falls, Zambia / Zimbabwe

Natural property inscribed on the List of World Heritage in 1989 16/08/2019 - 30/08/2019

These are among the most spectacular waterfalls in the world. The Zambezi River, which is more than 2 km wide at this point, plunges noisily down a series of basalt gorges and raises an iridescent mist that can be seen more than 20 km away.

Project objectives:

One of the most spectacular waterfalls, Mosi-oa-Tunya / Victoria Falls, is currently suffering from the invasive lantana camara species, outcompeting the local indigenous flora and threatening the site's ecosystem. As such, the main objective of the project is to eradicate this plant and restore the balance of biodiversity.

Project activities:

Under the technical guidance of Environment Africa and the support of the various ministries, the volunteers will remove the lantana camara species in an eco-friendly manner while observing the flora diversity and recognizing the various on-site species. Additionally, they will conduct on-site clean-up work and renovate a pathway that will contribute to the site's preservation and accessibility. The collaboration of volunteers and local communities in drafting practical biodiversity management guidelines and other promotional events through different channels will further enhance the awareness about the site and the impact of biodiversity, which will act as an incentive in calling for more future cooperation among different stakeholders of the society during the process of the preservation of natural heritage.

Partners:

Department of Parks and Wildlife Zambia, Greenline Africa, Youth Alive Zambia Livingstone, Girl Stand Up Zambia, United Children of Africa.

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