

KENYA PLANT HEALTH INSPECTORATE SERVICE
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Driver to be advised to drive carefully. Another accident will lead to disciplinary action. Dated 23/4/24

To: Managing director

Thro; Director Corporate Services *Forwarded 3/4/24 ROS*

From: Officer in Charge Transport

**SUBJECT: REPORT ON ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION IN KITALE TO
KEPHIS VEHICLE KCD 435G**

Following accident to Kephis vehicle in Kitale, transport office was requested by management to conduct an investigation on the causes of the accident and give recommendations.

Please find attached report for your consideration

Benson Utali.

ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATION REPORT IN KITALE TO KCD 435G THAT CARRIED OUT ON 5/04/2024

Investigating team;

1. Mr Benson Utali (Officer In charge of Transport)
2. Mr Jeremiah Karpa (Administrative Officer Kitale)

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Introduction

Accident investigation seeks to establish the root cause of accidents in order to reduce the risk of recurrence.

Following accidents to KEPHIS vehicle KCD 435G in Kitale, Management requested transport office to conduct an investigation and give recommendations.

The accident occurred on 06/03/2024 at 19.30hrs at Entebbe's on the Kitale Entebes road on your way to Suam border.

The parties involved were the Driver (Mr. Alex Ndiema) and the Kitale skilled procurement casual Mr. Joseah Kigen.

Below is the accident investigations report.

Accident report follow up and reporting:

The accident incidents occurred in Kitale regional office as per the below details:

	Reg. No	Name of driver	Date of accident and location	Damage	Remarks by Police as per abstract
1	KCD 435G	Mr. Alex Ndiema P/No. 1774	06/03/2024 occurred on Entebbes Kitale road	Front bumper, front wings damaged, wind screen shattered, all headlights damaged, side mirrors, front doors damaged, radiator assembly	Self-accident

Accident Description

The driver was on official duties from PIU Suam boarder after dropping building material for the ongoing store construction.

On there way back before Entebbes town, they met a truck near a road construction site on the main road that was not visible as it had no hazards or indicators on.

Additionally, we had a motor bike with a rider and pillion passenger that was coming from the opposite direction. To avoid hitting the truck and the motor cyclist the driver swerved and lost control and ended up hitting a heap of soil at the side of the road diversion that had been placed as a barrier.

Transport office was conducted and we engaged GVCU Police unit who visited the scene for recording and a tow truck from Automobile association was engaged to tow the vehicle to the police for inspection.

The case has been reported to the insurance and the unit is yet to be assessed by the insurance for repairs to commence.

The accident was major as most parts of the front vehicle components were damaged i.e. the Front bumper, front wings damaged, wind screen shattered, all headlights damaged, side mirrors, front doors damaged, radiator assembly damaged and dashboard damaged as result of airbags deployment.

Identified underlying causes of the accidents

As per our investigations the cause of the accident was as a are as a result of the below findings:

- Poor visibility of the road and lack of road markings
- Environmental conditions as it was raining at the time of accident
- Human error as the driver was over speeding

Recommendations

- 1) The driver (Alex Ndiema) to attend defensive driving at Automobile Association of Kenya.
- 2) The driver to be sensitized on the KEPHIS road safety policy and transport policy.

Conclusion:

The accidents can be attributed to the officers not practicing defensive driving and intensity of work.



Benson Utali