

STEP #  
6



**REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA**  
**FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (FDA)**  
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*Technical Manager Community Forestry Department*

TO: Madam Gertrude W. K. Nyaley  
Technical Manager, Community Forestry Department

FROM: Gertrude B. Wilson Extension Officer &  
Author Mallobe Inventory Officer

SUBJECT: Posting of Step Six in Salayea Community Forest

Date: May 24, 2018

Dear Madam Nyaley,

We are pleased to submit the field report covering the posting of the nine step process carried out in Salayea Community Forest, Lofa County. This exercise was conducted by a team of FDA representative from May 19-20, 2018.

Best Regards,  
Please find attached details of the report

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On May 17, 2018, a Team comprising Author Mallobe, Inventory Officer; Gertrude B. Wilson, Extension Officer and Emmanuel Harris, driver departed Monrovia for Saleyea, Lofa County in order to conduct the posting of validation and Social Economic & Reconnaissance Survey results in the area.

In route, the Team made a stop to Saleyea, Lofa County to deliver a communication to the acting chairperson of the Community Forest. The next day the team traveled to Yarpuah where a meeting was held with participants from four of out of the five towns/ villages within and around Saleyea Community Forest. During the meeting, introduction and objective of the Team's visit were done by the team leader in two phases. Phase one (1) involved the explanation of the summary results of the SESRR while phase (2) covers the explanation of the preliminary demarcation map by the GIS Officer. These results will be posted for a period of thirty (30) days, which is step six (6) of the nine steps of the CRL.

#### OBJECTIVE

The objective of the exercises are in accordance with *chapter 2, section 10*, of the community Right Law (CRL) and its Regulation, which provides that both SESRR & Validation results must be posted for thirty days in a given communities and adjacent communities prior to the dispute resolution.

#### METHODOLOGY

The methods used by the team during the exercises were the community entry and the participatory approach. These include:

- Community mobilization on both SERRS and Validation results, where the team met with the local authority and informed them about the mission;
- Delivered letters from the managing Director of the FDA to the local Authority;
- Held town hall meetings for posting SERRS and validation results for the establishment of an authorized community forest status;
- Entertained Questions and Answers for clarity;
- Posted SERRS and Validation results to be reviewed for 30 days.

#### PROCEEDING

On May 18, 2018, the team arrived in Yarpuah Town, Saleyea District, for posting of the SESRR results. Participants comprising of town chiefs, women representative, youth leaders and elders from the communities representing the five (5) towns assembled at Yarpuah town hall for the meeting. The opening prayer was given by Yassah Mulbah; the youth chairperson. This was followed by the welcome remarks by the Yarpuah Town Chief. The meeting proceeded as Gertrude B. Wilson explained the SESRR Survey Summary and the Community people all agreed to the information in the summary. Arthur Mallobe, the GIS Inventory Officer took the floor to explain the map that was made after the validation. Questions were then asked by the community people, and the appropriate answers were provided by the team members.

This was followed by the launching of the results, with subsequent distribution of copies of the map and the SESRR summary to the representatives of each of the affected towns/ villages. Beyond these,

participants were encouraged to continue the posting of the results at key points in adjacent communities where those who were not present during the exercise will be able to see the results.

At the end of the exercises, the participants and local authority thanked the FDA team for their education on the various steps. They however hope to see FDA for the next step in the soonest possible time.

### OBSERVATIONS

- Community representatives complained about transportation re-imbusement not being provided to them;
- The long gap in time from previous step reduced the community people interest to some extent;
- Poor attendance due to inadequate mobilization of the various communities, and the scheduling of meetings during the farming season

### RECOMMENDATION

- FDA management should see the need to look into communities' concern regarding transport re-imbusement so as to encourage their full participation;
- Mobilization of communities should be carried out for at least a week prior to the posting of the SESRR & Validation results;
- Given the scope and volume of the work involved, the number of days allocated for the field trip should be increased to 4 days to enable the team to cover adjacent communities.

## Socio-Economic and Resource Reconnaissance Survey Result

### COMMUNITY PROFILE SUMMARY

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

Name of Community: **Salayea Community**

Number and Names of Towns and Villages: Six (6)

1	Beyan
2	Ganglota
3	Gorlue
4	Salayea
5	Telemu
6.	Yarpuah

Location: **Salayea** Statutory District, Lofa County

**Clan History:** The Salayea Community has been in existence before the foundation of Liberia. It was founded before the 18<sup>th</sup> Century. The community was founded by the Kpelleh tribe that migrated from Guinea and the Mali Empire. The Kpelleh lived with the Mandingoes until tribal war broke and they had to migrate for that reason. They first settled in Boslehta and Gboita and were led by three warriors: Toboe, Gblee and Goboyee.

#### RESOURCES

##### Forest Types:

- Primary forests ... YES
- Secondary forest ... YES
- Mangrove forest ...
- Sacred forest ... YES
- Stream buffer zones ... YES

**Rivers:** Watersheds/ catchments in many areas; streams and creeks – 9; river – 1 (Palama River)

**Wildlife:** Baboon/ chimp, monkeys (*lion, red, olive colobus, black and white colobus, jacko, lady monkey*); duikers (*red, black, gazelle, black back, mountain, yellow back, zebra*), royal antelope, ground hog, porcupine, squirrel, opossum, mongoose, turtle, snakes (*cassava, black, green and yellow, water, black and red stripped*), crocodile, iguana, bush cow, leopard, pigmy hippo, bongo, Giant forest hog, golden cat, Giant pangolin, cat fish, red-belly fish, electric eel, dog fish, plank fish, tilapia, mud fish, termite, zeekpa (grasshopper), dizzlegolu, birds (eagle, pigeon, rice bird – finches, water birds, hawks, hornbills, owl robin, blue jay, blue wing, etc.

#### LIVELIHOODS

**Fishing:** Nearby rivers and streams

**Farming:** Rice, vegetable gardening, cassava, eddoes, plantain, banana, ginger, sugar cane, pine apple, corn, maize/okra

**Animal Husbandry:** Household subsistence level rearing of goats, sheep, poultry and dogs

**Tree crops:** oil Palm, mangoes, rubber and cocoa

**NTFP:** Bush meat, bush pepper, palm wine, honey and rattan

##### Other enterprises:

- N/A



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**NTFP:** Bush pepper, Palm Wine, xylovia, bitter cola, Makindo, Walnut fruit, Bush Meat, rattan, bitter root, palm (wine, cabbage, fronds), Mahn tree (calpocalyx seed),

## SOCIOECONOMIC DATA

**Population:** 23,074

**Ethnic Groups:** Kpelleh, Lorma, Mandingo

**Literacy Rates:** 51%

**Religion:** Christian

## INFRASTRUCTURE

**Schools:** Primary/ elementary – 11, Junior Sec. School – 1, Senior Sec. School - 1

**Wells:** Traditional – 31; Modern Hand Pump (functioning – 50; damaged – 29)

**Clinic:** Government Health Clinic – N/A

**Town Hall:** N/A

**Religious Facilities:** Churches – 25 Mosque, - 1

**Transportation:** Motorbikes (most popular);

### Agriculture Processing:

- Individually owned Rice, Sugarcane and Palm Kernel mills

## GOVERNANCE

**Community organizations:** N/A

### Community Administration:

- Superintendent – **George S. Dunor**
- District Commissioner – **Barkolleh N. Golakpayan**
- Local authority (town chiefs, paramount chiefs)

### Other NGO and Projects:

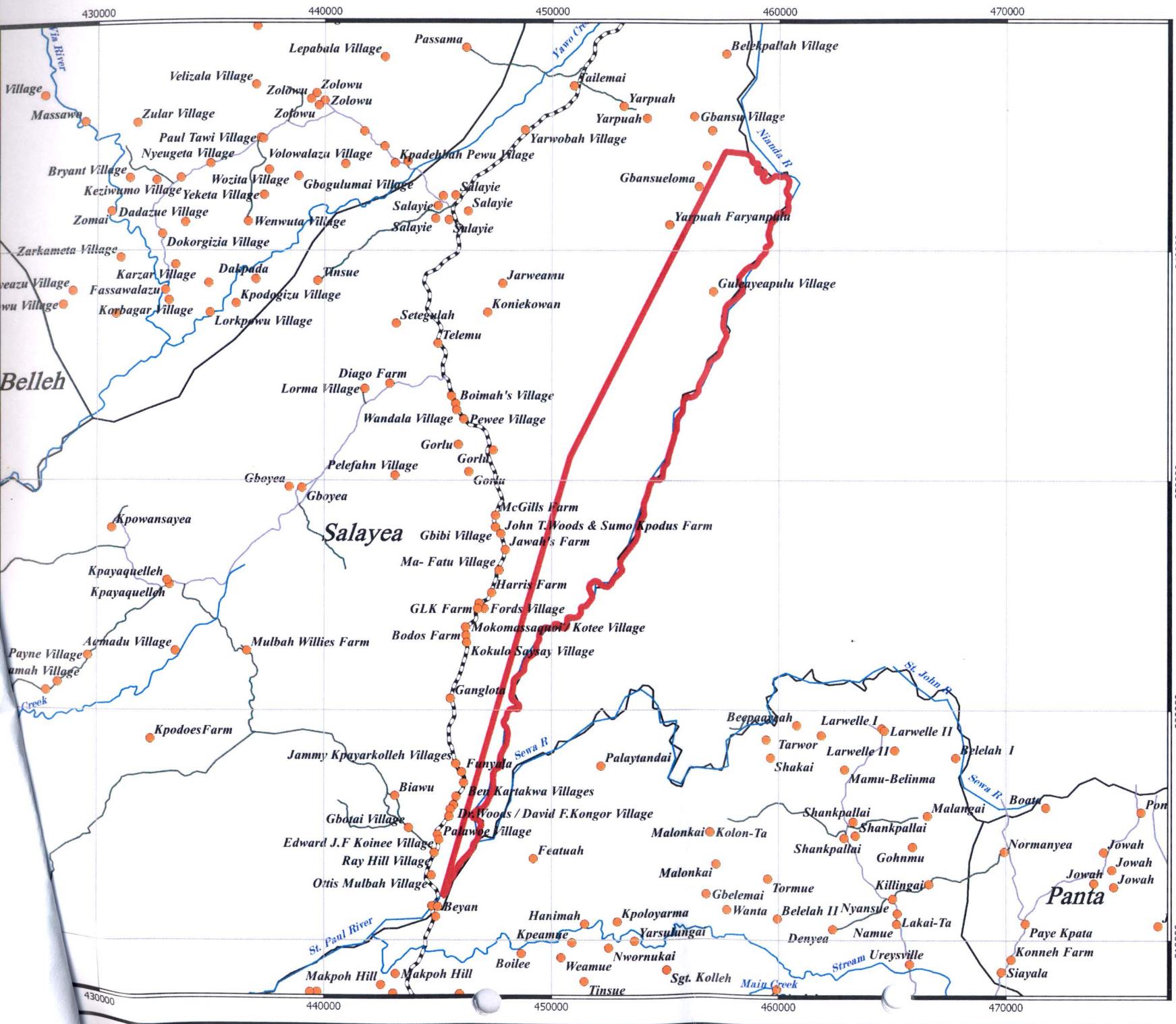
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## LTPR ISSUES

- Size of proposed forest  $\geq$  50,000ha
- Aborigines Grant Deed
- Customary land belonging to the community people
- The land was already set aside for the purpose of forestry



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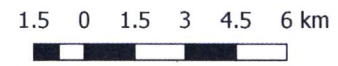


*Location Map of  
Salayea  
Community  
Forest with  
(8,270 Hectares)  
located in  
Salayea District,  
Lofa County.*

*Geographic Information &  
Remote Sensing Division of  
FDA.  
January 8, 2018*

**Legend**

- Towns/Villages
- Rivers/Creeks/Streams
- Primary Roads
- Secondary Roads
- Tertiary Roads
- ▭ Salayea Comm. Forest
- ▭ Districts Boundary



**UTM Zone 29N  
WGS 84**

July 20, 2018

FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (FDA)

Attendance Sheet for Posting in Salayea Community Forest in Lofa County held in Salayea

NO.	Name	Sex	Town	Position	Contact	Signature
1	Francis B. Gborlewuah	M	Gbanway	City Clerk	0550585868	
2	JAMES B. Koffie	M	Salayea	Landlord	0888056759	
3	Lavela T. mulbah	M	Salayea	Town chief	0886858268	
4	Lavela Forkpa	M	Salayea	Youth secr.	0881580170	
5	John Z. Tokpa	M	Salayea	Elder	0886116679	
6	John Lavela	M	Salayea	chief Elder	0881451746	
7	Jerry B. Jormor	M	"	"	0886150337	
8	Ben K. Gorkema	M	"	Commissioner	0888-570-580	
9	Augustus F. Kwalah	M	Salayea	C.F.D.C. chair	0880511437	
10	Garmal Flomo	F	Beyam Town	Youth.	0886118344	
11	Younger Zayzay	F	Beyam Town	women leader	-	
12	Jackson Tokpa	M	Yarpuah Town	Elder	0880138006	
13	Esther Martor	F	Yarpuah Town	chairlady	0880433117	
14	Edward Hennewereiea	M	Yarpuah Town	T.C	0886682500	
15	Timothy L. Saha	M	Garlu Town	Land Lord	-	
16	Willie vankpemah	M	Yarpuah	member	0881192222	
17	John martor	M	Yarpuah	Land Lord	-	J. M.
18	Jorueah T. Paye	M	Telemu Town	Town chief	0778051443	
19	Samuel T. Supu	M	Ganglota Town	Member	0886-301939	
20	WILKINSON J. KOKO	M	Salayea LII	Agri. officer	088625546	
21	James L. mulbah	M	Ganglota Town	Member	088643352	
22	John K. Kpanda	M	Ganglota Town	Member	088633850	
23	G. Jackson Vesselee	M	Salayea	Commissioner desk	0881193712	
24	Junior Yogie	M	Salayea	messenger	0886893216	
25	Emmanuel Kamara	M	Salayea City	Business	0880119511	
26	Josephine K. Sulu	F	Gazpa Town	Member	0888891652	
27	JAMES K. F. GORDEA	M	Salayea town	member	0886952216	
28	Flomo Fonplay	M	Garlu Town	chief	07764081	

NEW 22, 20

FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (FDA)

Attendance Sheet for Posting in Salaya Community Forest in Lofa County held in Salaya

NO.	Name	Sex	Town	Position	Contact	Signature
1	Francis B. Gborlewah	M	Glanwary	CFH Clerk	0850888768	
2	JAMES B. Koflate	M	Salaya	Landlord	0888056959	
3	Lavela T. Malbak	M	Salaya	Town chief	0886858268	
4	Lavela Fortpa	M	Salaya	Youth secr.	088158D170	
5	John Z. Tokpa	M	Salaya	Elder	0886176679	
6	Jelm Lavela	M	Salaya	Chief Elder	0881451746	
7	Jeam B. Yarmar	M	Salaya	Member	0886150357	
8	Ben K. Gwendema	M	Salaya	Commissioner	0886-570-580	
9	Augustus EKwadal	M	Salaya	CFDC chair	0880571431	
10	Garnai Elomo	F	Bayam Town	Youth	0886118344	
11	Younger Zaygay	F	Bayam Town	Women leader	—	
12	Jackson Tokpa	M	Yamruah Town	Elder	0880128006	
13	Esther Mator	F	Yarpuah Town	Chair lady	0880143314	
14	Edward Herelerejea	M	Yarpuah Town	T. C	0886681051	
15	Mitthy L. Saku	M	Baku Town	Land lord	—	
16	Lillie Vomkpema	M	Yarpuah	Member	0881192222	
17	Tom mortar	M	Yarpuah	Land lord	—	
18	Toruah T. Paye	M	Telemu Town	Town chief	0728051443	
19	Samuel T. Suda	M	Banglata Town	Member	0886-301937	
20	DAKSON F. Koker	M	Salaya	Agri officer	088055548	
21	James L. Mubak	M	Ganbleta Town	Member	088643852	
22	John K. Kpanda	M	Ganbleta Town	Member	088633880	
23	G. Jackson Kessele	M	Salaya	Commissioner	0881193712	
24	Junior Yegie	M	Salaya	Messenger	0886893216	
25	Emmanuel K. Kpema	M	Salaya City	Member	0880119514	
26	Josephine K. Saku	F	Ganbleta Town	Member	088884652	
27	JAMES K. F. Gredia	M	Salaya town	Member	088693226	
28	Elomo Tomplay	M	Gulu Town	Chief	07764081	
29	Cyrus NASSIER	M	Gulu Town	Member	0881513561	