



# Water Crisis in Africa? Perspectives from Zambia

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# Presentation Flow

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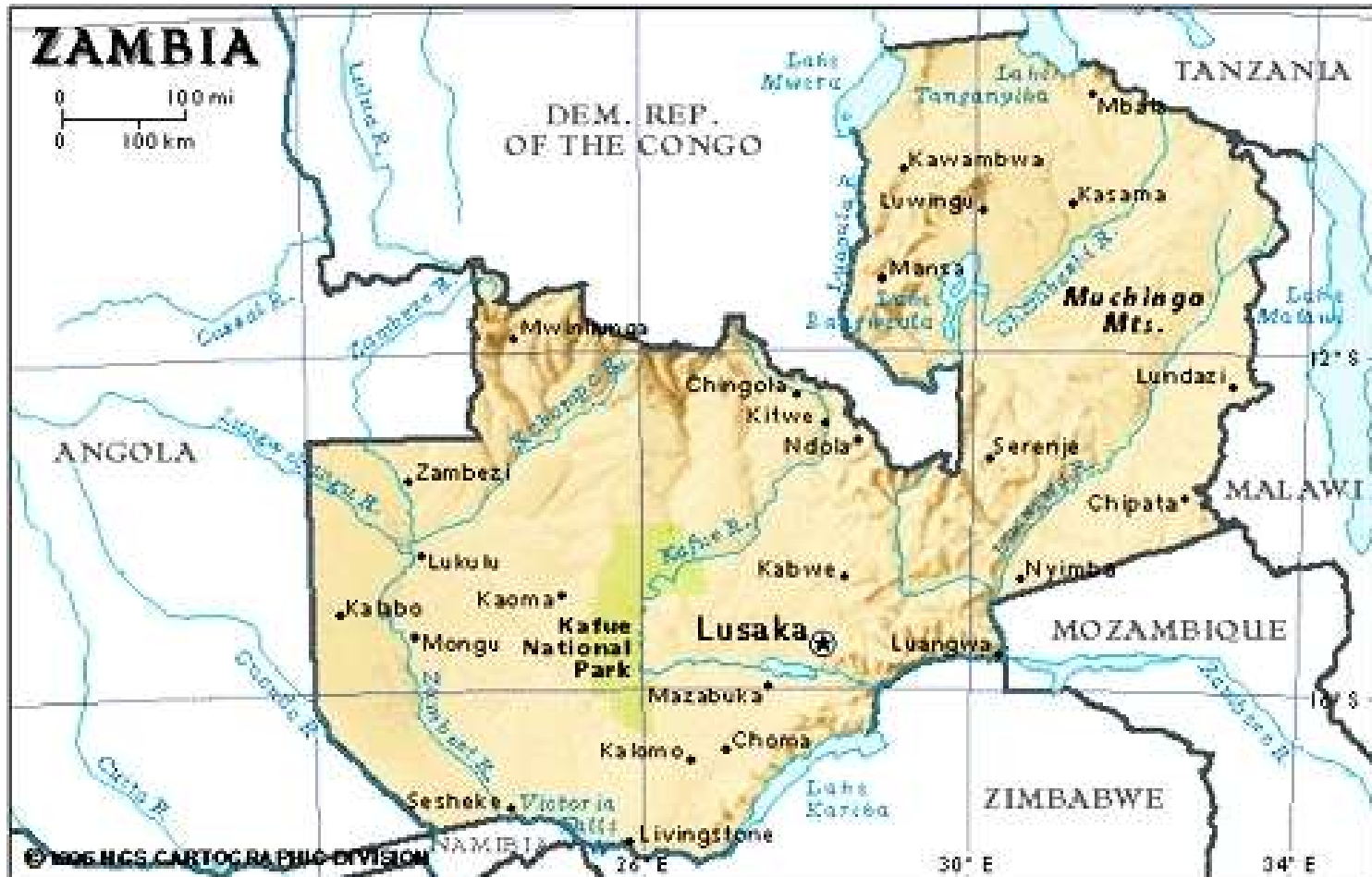
- Introduction
  - Water resources and regulation
- Large scale agriculture
  - Commercial farmers – individuals and estates
  - Ground water abstraction
- Small scale agriculture
  - Subsistence and income generation
  - Irrigation schemes
  - Surface water
- Industrial water use
  - Mining companies
- Emerging themes

# Background

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- Available resources
  - Quantity
  - Quality
- Traditional uses
  - Domestic, Industrial, Livestock, Agriculture
- Water related Acts
  - Water Act, Pollution, Water and Sanitation
- Regulation
  - Water Board, ECZ, NWASCO
- National Water Policy
  - Principles, Strategy

# Map of Zambia





# Large Scale Agriculture

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- Water use
  - Ground water and surface water
- Crops produced
  - High margins, export market
- Organisation
  - Local water boards
- Perceptions
  - Water quality and quantity
  - Expanding irrigation
  - Paying for abstraction



# Small Scale Agriculture

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- Water use
  - Surface water
- Crops produced
  - Low margins, subsistence
- Organisation
  - Water user associations
  - Irrigation schemes
- Perceptions
  - Water quality and quantity
  - Ownership and external intervention
  - Income generation and food security



# Industrial use

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- Mining
  - Underground, mineral loads
- Parastatals
  - Domestic water
- Private companies
  - Core operations
- Perceptions (management)
  - Charges, licensing



# Some emerging themes

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- Classification of water
  - Implications on water use and main drivers
- Institutional arrangements
  - Local considerations
- Private sector participation
  - Mixed model for service delivery