Appendix VI

The Kafue Flats: A Dynamic Flood Plain in Zambia

Note: The Map shows the Kafue Flats which is seasonally flooded with landscape of oxbows, verdant grasslands and wooded levees in Central Zambia. The Itezhitezhi Dam (constructed in 1978) regulates the Kafue River as it flows through the Flats to the Kafue Gorge Dam (constructed in 1972). The inserted photograph below shows the cattle keeper ‘admiring’ his cattle grazing in the vast Kafue Flood Plain near Baambwe area. Cattle keeping is the most dominant economic activity in Baambwe and Maala areas in Namwala District shown as ‘project area’ on the Map.