

Causes of infrastructure vandalism in Tanzania: a case of optic fibre cable

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Tanzania Railways Limited is a privatized company since October 2007. The company experienced vandalism problems as it's for many public and private Companies in Tanzania. The study aim was to establish the causes of infrastructure vandalism that continues to face the organization, a case of optical fiber installed by the company since 1998. The research has been conducted using both desk and field research methodologies. The study was designed as descriptive, a case study. Tanzania Railways Limited has about 3450 employees a sample of 94 employees was selected. The researcher's judgment was used for selecting items she considered as representative of population. The data were analysed qualitatively and quantitatively by using a statistical package for social sciences version 15.0 for windows. The study revealed that infrastructure vandalism is caused by people with intention of wealth creation for personal gain. Partnership among infrastructure vandalism victims is the way of preventing and controlling 'andali Ignorance did not exist among employees but villagers needed to be educated about cultivation along the optical fiber installation. The availability of market for scrap metals did not contribute te to scrap metal business in Tanzania. The researcher recommended that the victims of infrastructure re vandalism must build partnership among themselves and scrap metal sold to industries or exported must be inspected to ensure that no stolen metals are sold. Also the Government should completely ban the scrap metal business to rescue the infrastructure from vandalism. The company TRL, must educate villagers on use of land along the railway track. The study, has recommended further study on availability of markets for scrap metals in Tanzania