

AN EVALUATION OF THE OPERATIONS AND PERFORMANCE OF MUHORONI SUGAR COMPANY, KISUMU COUNTY, KENYA



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The research was designed to provide an in-depth evaluation of the operations and performance of Muhoroni Sugar Company (MUSCO). An examination of the contribution of the Company to the rural development, analysis of the problems constraining the operations and performance of the Company, an assessment of the environmental issues associated with the operations of the Company and the opportunities for the effective management and control of environmental issues have been highlighted. Detailed analysis shows that the major problems facing the sugar industry is the high cost of production; distortion in the markets due to cheap sugar imports; legal and policy framework that is inconsistent with the liberalized market; inadequate research that has led to perennial use of high yielding and late maturing cane varieties; insufficient capital and credit for re-investing, rehabilitation and maintenance of existing factors. Indebtedness of most millers and...