OF THE COUNCIL OF THE AMHARA NATIONAL REGIONAL STATE
IN THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA

REGULATION NO. 38/2005
A REGULATION ISSUED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE REGIONAL GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEMARCATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETERMINATION OF THE ALATISH PARK IN THE AMHARA NATIONAL REGIONAL STATE.

Whereas, it has been found appropriate to create a favorable condition whereby the wildlife, birds and
plant species located in the north-western part of the Region are efficiently looked after, protected in a manner that represents the lowland ecosystem of the Region and passed down to the forthcoming generation as heritages and thereby contribute to the local inhabitants as well as to the national economic development;

Whereas, it has been necessary to cause the maintenance of healthy ecosystem of our Region by preventing in advance the hazards due to the expansion which desertification may possibly extend to our country via the neighboring state from around the Sahara Area;

Whereas, it is vital to protect the biodiversity resources from destruction by averting the adverse pressure being exerted and aggravated from time to time on the natural resource especially the wildlife of the Region, by the cattle-raisers and their thousands of cattle coming across the territory occasionally from the neighboring countries as well as by the local community;

Whereas, it is found appropriate to coordinate the development of natural resource and environmental protection activities of the Region with the activities of the neighboring Regions and thereby facilitate conditions wherein the locality obtains an all-out conservation and protect from danger the free movement of the wild animals as they enjoy their natural habitat;

Whereas, it is, to assist the purpose, necessary to create a legal framework for the Alatish area situated in the Quara Woreda and for the time being confirmed to have met the essential requirements to be designated as a park as well as be administered under the management of an authorized government body, delimiting its boundaries thereof;

Now, therefore, the Council of the Amhara National
Regional Government, in accordance with the powers vested in it under the provisions of Art 58, Sub-art. 7 of the Revised Regional Constitution and Art 24, sub-art. 1 of the Parks Development and Protection Authority Establishment and Determination of Powers and Duties Proclamation No. 96/2003, hereby issues this regulation:

1. Short Title

This regulation may be cited as “The Alatish Park Demarcation and Administrative Determination, Council of Regional Government Regulation No38/2005.”

2. Definitions

Unless the context otherwise requires, in this regulation:

1. “Park” means the Alatish Park recognized as possessing the distinction of a natural habitat for wild animals and flock of birds as well as the source of various plant species and with its boundaries being identified and, demarcated, is given special care thereof, pursuant to this regulation.

2. “Post” means a landmark which is made up of stone, concrete, metal or any other fixed object.

3. “Wild life” means a phrase that accommodates a host of untamed, terrestrial and aquatic various species of animals found in nature, move on land and fly in the air, also encompassing their habitat, sanctuary and breeding areas, and is thereby an expression of diverse biological resources.
3. Designation, Demarcation and Boundaries of the Park

1. The park, established pursuant to this regulation, is hereby designated as "The Alatish Park" after the name of the river that flows dividing the interior of the area by half in the middle of the locality.

2. The park so designated, pursuant to sub-art. 1 of this article, is meant to wholly cover 266570 hectares of land and located in the Quara Warda Administration of the North Gonder zone, sharing borders with the Benishangul Gumuz National Regional State to the South, the Mehadid Kebele Administration to the north, Banbaho and Gelego Kebele Administrations to the east as well as the Sudan to the west.

3. The detailed description showing the demarcation of the park and its adjoining places on latitudinal and longitudinal points is indicated herebelow:

A. Commencing at the Albid River which is found in Gelego Kebele and borders with the park to the east and turning to westerly direction near the Albid hill at the bank of the river, 12 degrees, 29 minutes, 17.2 seconds north and 35 degrees, 48 minutes, 32.2 seconds east (Post No. 1 as a starting point);

B. Following the same direction, 12 degrees, 07 minutes, 29.6 seconds north and 35 degrees, 47 minutes, 49.4 seconds east wards (Post No. 2);
C. Thence, at the rim of Derahasen cliff Sholla Wuha, 12 degrees, 07 minutes, 45.5 seconds north and 35 degrees, 47 minutes, 28.3 seconds east (up to Post No. 3);

D. Thence, turning to north easterly direction, following the Derahasen Mountain cliff, up to the end of Gelego Kebele, extending to Alwasho Mountain and following the Alwasho valley that starts at Mehadid Kebele under the Alwasho Mountain, at the junction of the valley and Alatish dry weather road, 12 degrees, 15 minutes, 07.3 seconds north and 35 degrees, 44 minutes, 16.5 seconds east (Post No. 4);

E. Thence, following the valley and at its junction with the Bermil River, 12 degrees, 16 minutes 10.9 seconds north and 35 degrees, 43 minutes, 16.2 seconds east (up to Post No. 5);

F. Thence, to the northerly direction, following the Bermil River, parallel to the Amrakuba Mountain at the bank of the river, 12 degrees, 18 minutes, 43.9 seconds north and 35 degrees, 43 minutes, 22.9 seconds east (up to Post No. 6);

G. Thence, in the same direction, following the opposite of the Amrakumba Mountain between the mountain and the Bermil
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<td>Thence, in the same direction, in front of the Amrakuba Mountain at the bank of Dinar River, 12 degrees, 22 minutes, 33.4 seconds north and 35 degrees, 42 minutes, 43.6 seconds east (up to post No. 8);</td>
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<td>Thence, making the Mukraba Mountain part of the park, at the foot of the mountain, 12 degrees, 23 minutes, 53.3 seconds north and 35 degrees, 43 minutes 7.7 seconds east (up to Post No. 9);</td>
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10.1 seconds north and 35 degrees, 39 minutes, 52.4 seconds east;

→ (Post No. 15), 12 degrees, 25 minutes, 24.6 seconds north and 35 degrees, 37 minutes, 43.3 seconds east;

→ (Post No. 16), 12 degrees, 26 minutes, 03.8 seconds north and 35 degrees, 38 minutes, 47.4 seconds east;

→ (Post No. 17), 12 degrees, 27 minutes, 07.4 seconds north and 35 degrees, 38 minutes, 19.0 seconds east;

→ (Post No. 18), 12 degrees, 27 minutes, 50 seconds north and 35 degrees, 37 minutes, 48.9 seconds east;

→ (Post No. 19), 12 degrees, 28 minutes, 47.5 seconds north and 35 degrees, 37 minutes, 17.5 seconds east;

Following these posts and turning to the northern direction near the Gelego River at a place named Amjalie, 12 degrees, 30 minutes, 27.2 seconds north and 35 degrees, 37 minutes, 14.1 seconds east up to (Post No. 20);

K. Thence, turning to westerly direction, and taking the edge of the Gelego River, up to the international Ethio-Sudanese border;

L. Thence, turning to southerly direction, and
then moving west wards, following the international Ethio-Sudanese border up to the place where Ayma (Dinder) River leaves Ethiopia.

M. Thence, turning to the easterly direction and moving south wards following the Ayma (Dinder) River which borders the Amhara and Benishangul Gumuz National Regional States up to the common junction of Ayma and Albid Rivers;

N. Thence, turning to northerly direction, following the Albid River, it goes up to the initial post No. 1, turning at the bank of the river nearby the Albid hill.

4. Objective

The main objective of delimiting the park is to protect from danger and conserve the representative lowland ecosystem found in the north-western area of the Region with the bio-diversity resources it possesses through direct participation of the local inhabitants and to create a favorable condition in which it is to be passed down to the coming generation as a heritage as well as provide an appropriate contribution to the surrounding community and the overall economic development in a sustainable way.

5. Administration, Accountability and Internal Organization of the Park

1. The Regional Parks Development and Protection Authority shall, in accordance with the powers vested in it under the provisions of
Art. 7, sub. Art. 1 of the proclamation No. 96/2003, administer the park, with the latter’s accountability being to the said organ.

2. The Authority shall organize the office in an area of the park it finds suitable for the development and protection, designate its management and assign guards, as may be necessary;

3. The Regional State shall, step by step, cause the development of infrastructures that are necessary for the administration and promotion of the park.

6. Duties and Responsibilities of the Park’s Office

The office of the park shall, pursuant to this regulation, have the following duties and responsibilities:

1. Direct and supervise over the management, protection and development activities of the park in an executive capacity;

2. Educate, agitate, organize and co-ordinate the local community in conjunction with the pertinent woreda and kebele administrations so that it may develop the responsibility to protect the park;

3. In collaboration with the police and justice bodies of the local administration, cause the taking of legal measures against those individuals who commit prohibited acts in the park;

4. Cause the domestic and foreign visitors be pre-informed, through various methods, of the rules and regulations they have to observe, at times of visit;
5. Collect a variety of revenues arising from the service it provides using legal receipts.

7. **Prohibited Activities**

It is forbidden by this regulation to commit the following activities in the park, with the exception of those permitted to be practiced and the concerned bodies as well as participants thereof:

1. Entering the park with any firearms, instead of temporarily handing same over to the guards at the entrance point;
2. Creating nuisance or using sound instruments beyond limit;
3. Hunting for, frightening or driving away wild animals;
4. Cutting off plants;
5. Taking away eggs of birds and reptiles;
6. Picking up, taking away, damaging, polluting or ruining natural or man-made items;
7. Undertaking agricultural works or construction of roads for the use of public transport;
8. Letting domestic animals in the park for grazing or moving about therein with them;
9. Undertaking mineral exploration or mining activities
10. Making fire, with the exception of those places specifically reserved for the purpose of tourist lodges;
11. Moving about with the possession of poisonous substances;
12. Undertaking any types of sale or exchange of goods;
13. Arbitrary or careless disposal of man-made materials used by visitors for packing food and similar purposes;

14. Establishing dwelling houses, planting grinding mills or construction of other similar institutions in the park;

15. Driving motor vehicles beyond the legally-prescribed speed limit or so doing at all before 6:00 a.m. in the morning and after 6:00 p.m. in the evening;

16. being apprehended with a trap or setting same in order to attack wild animals;

17. Carrying out industrial activities other than the smoke-free tourism industry.

8. Duty to Co-operate

Any natural or Juridical person shall have the duty to co-operate in the implementation of this regulation.

9. Power to Issue Specific Directives

The Authority may issue specific directives necessary for the full implementation of this regulation.

10. Effective Date

This regulation shall come into force as of the date of its publication in the Zikree Hig Gazette of the Regional State.

Done at Bahir Dar
This 14th day of September, 2005
Yosef Reta
Head of the Amhara National Regional Government