**SEEING WASTE PROJECT INTERVIEW**

**Interviewer:** Jonathan Kwangulero

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**Location :** Sidewalk at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital

**Interview :** #26

**Interviewer:** Hello, my name is Jonathan Kwangulero. I’m a researcher at the Polytechnic. I’m conducting research investigating attitudes and perceptions towards waste in an urban context. As an important stakeholder in this community, I am requesting that you participate in this research by granting me an interview. The information collected will only be used for research our purposes only.

**Interviewee:** Okay

**Interviewer:** Sure, in order to gauge these perceptions and understandings you will be asked to tidy up the path from that end to that end. You will also be asked to keep any item that you may consider helpful. After this you will be asked to order the objects you interacted with from the most helpful to the most harmful. Then after that we will have an interview that may take 10 – 20 minutes.

**Interviewee:** Yeah.

**Interviewer:** Sure, what’s your name?

**Interviewee:** My name is *male*

**Interviewer:** Okay,how old are you?

**Interviewee:** I’m 28 years old.

**Interviewer:** Okay, what is your occupation?

**Interviewee:** I’m a security guard.

**Interviewer:** Okay great, which object did you see/interact with first and why?

**Interviewee:** It`s the clean shoprite bag.

**Interviewer:** Okay, why that?

**Interviewee:** It looked out of place, it was making this place look unclean, and at the same time it looks valuable.

**Interviewer:** Sure**,** which objects did you interact with and why?

**Interviewee:** Mmmh, maize cobs with and without kernels, maize husks, mango seeds, scrap of cloth, sugarcane chafe because these objects are making this place look unclean and at the same time these object can spread diseases like cholera by attracting flies.

**Interviewer:** Ummhu,

**Interviewee:** I interacted with glass bottles, plastic bags, broken glasses, cans because these objects are making this place look unhygienic.

**Interviewer:** Okay, can you order the objects you interacted with from the most helpful to most harmful, and their potential uses. What’s your order?

**Interviewee:** The most useful object for me is the new shoprite for the reason that I can use it to keep my clothes in at work.

**Interviewer:** Ummhu, what else?

**Interviewee:** The 5L bottle because I can sell it to vendors

**Interviewer:** Okaaay

**Interviewee:** Yeah, but I cannot use it as a container for drinking water.

**Interviewer:** Haha (laughs) why?

**Interviewee:** Haha (laughs) we are the hospital so I can easily catch diseases because using it.

**Interviewer:** Okay, why do you think that?

**Interviewee:** Maybe someone suffering from diarrhea was using it, so you never know.

**Interviewer:** Apart from the two objects you have mentioned, what else?

**Interviewee:** That’s all.

**Interviewer:** Okay, can you order harmful objects? Begin with the most harm

**Interviewee:** It’s the mango seed since it attracts flies that spread diseases like cholera. This is very critical during this rainy season with extensive street food vending around this place.

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, what else?

**Interviewee:** Banana skins for the same reason as the mango seed.

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, what else?

**Interviewee:** Maize husks for the same reason as the mango seed.

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, what else?

**Interviewee:** Followed by that its blue plastic because it is harmful to the environment because it does not decompose.

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, we have three blue plastics, so in what order?

**Interviewee:** Haha (laughs) dirty, broken and new.

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, what else?

**Interviewee:** Broken glass because it doesn’t decompose it like the plastics

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, what else?

**Interviewee:** Similarly, soda (black) cans, tin cans and glass jars they do not decompose as well.

**Interviewer:** So what’s the order? We have five items there?

**Interviewee:** Mmmh, damaged soda can, intact soda can, damaged tin can, intact tin can, glass jar.

**Interviewer:** Haha (laughs) what was your criterion?

**Interviewee:** Haha (laughs) the soda cans are useless to me, the tin cans I can sell, and the glass jar I can use to keep salt or sugar.

**Interviewer:** Okaaay, what else?

**Interviewee:** That’s all.

**Interviewer:** Okay, reflecting on the context, was your categorization of each object impacted by this context?

**Interviewee:** No, all these objects are harmful, not only here, but everywhere. They are all a public health concern because one way or the other they can help spread diseases like cholera.

**Interviewer:** Sure, which objects did you leave, and why?

**Interviewee:** Rubble and matchstick box because they are too small and needs a bloom to be cleared up**.**

**Interviewer:** Ummhu

**Interviewee:** Yeah, dry leaves there, should be cleared up as well.

**Interviewer:** Why didn’t you clear them up?

**Interviewee:** They are small and numerous hence I would need a bloom.

**Interviewer:** Okay, which objects belong in this context?

**Interviewee:** Nothing should be here except for green grass because it`s making this place looks good.

**Interviewer:** Okay, which objects are out of this context?

**Interviewee:** Everything other than grass! The plastic bottles, glass bottles, plastic bags, yeah!

**Interviewer:** Why?

**Interviewee:** It’s making this place look unclean like it doesn’t get cleaned up by the city council.

**Interviewer:** Ummhu, how do these items get here?

**Interviewee:** It’s the street vendors, you know, they just dispose waste carelessly.

**Interviewer:** Last of all, how can we stop this?

**Interviewee:** Government should be strict to end vending around this place by arresting the vendors.

**Interviewer:** Thanks for your participation.

**Interviewee:** Thanks.