

Kalakpa Game Production Reserve is a 32,020 hectare forest reserve in Ghana.[1][2][3]

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Location[edit]

The reserve is located in the southeastern part of the Country, about 120 kilometers northeast of the capital Accra and about 30 kilometers south from the Volta Regional capital, Ho.[1][4]

Description[edit]

The protected area was founded in 1975 by the Ghanaian government, located on the foothills of the Togo Mountains in the Ho Municipal Area.[5] Before this area became an animal reserve, it served mainly as preferred hunting area for expatriates in Ghana.[1] In this animal reserve you can find, apart from lions and elephants. Among other animals there is a variety of buffaloes, antelopes, baboons and smaller mammals in the reserve. The bird world is worth seeing here. The reserve also boasts many butterfly species.[1]

Threats[edit]

In 2009, there were reports of encroachments on the Kalakpa Resource Reserve.[6] Also in 2016 there were reports of illegal logging at the Kalakpa Resource Reserve in the Volta Region, with the risks of the Reserve losing most of its trees.[7]

In 2018 the Regional Minister said force would have to be considered to relocate the encroachers. About 28 communities with a population of about 2,000, from the four districts hosting the reserve; Adaklu, Ho West, North, and Central Tongu, who were inhabiting the Reserve illegally.[8][9]