Annex 1  A 50 year Chronology of the Kasempa District (1964 – 2014)

1964  First Secretary of the Kasempa District is appointed: Mr. D. Sichinga

1965  District Secretary: Mr. W. Mubita. Visit by President Kaunda to Kasempa-Boma. Resettlement proposals for Mushima and Mpungu area to combat sleeping sickness and to improve agricultural production for the market. Villagers of Kalasa and Kasonso urged to move to new settlement schemes. Dispensary and school resituated at the Kanongo stream, which is part of the newly planned Mpungu Resettlement Scheme (30 miles southeast of Kasempa-Boma).

1966  District Secretary: Mr. D. Kambilumbilu. Mpungu State Farm starts maize production. Kalasa villages move to new centre at Kanongo. Kasonso villages refuse to move to the Mpungu Resettlement Scheme. Chief Mushima and some of his villages move from the Lumba stream area to the Mushima Resettlement Area near a new service centre (30 miles southwest of Kasempa-Boma). Mukinge secondary school for girls opened (the first of its kind in the North-Western Province).

1967  Promotion of agricultural extension work in the District. National Agricultural Marketing Board depots open. Agricultural Cooperatives are formed. Several new primary schools and dispensaries are established. Agricultural extension, medical and community development work starts by team of the Organisation of Netherlands Volunteers (SNV) at the Kanongo service centre.

1968  District Secretary: Mr. S.L.C. Kalwani. Visit by President Kaunda to the District.

1969  First Governor of the Kasempa District is appointed: Mr. J. Kanguya. Mpungu State Farm plots are allotted to individual farmers. Start of mining activities at the Kalengwa mine.

1970  New concrete bridge is constructed across the Lufupa river at Kasempa and a new bridge across the Lalafuta river on the road to Kaoma. Electricity plant in operation at Kasempa. New road from Kalulushi to Solwezi-Kasempa road and concrete bridge across the East Lunga river for transport of copper from Kalengwa mine to copper refineries in Kalulushi.

1971  District Governor: Mr. Kanyungulu. First shipment of concentrated copper ore from Kalengwa to Kalulushi. Oxfam volunteer team at Chizela.

1972  Mining activities start again at the Jifumpa mine, near the East Lunga river. Extension of the Mpungu Farmers Settlement Scheme. Transfer of Netherlands volunteer activities from Kanongo to Kasempa and to Mpungu and Nkenyauna Farmers Settlement Scheme.

1975 Death of Senior Chief Kasempa Samushi, on 17th of January. Visit by President Kaunda to Kasempa, including agricultural schemes. The complete Bible is published in the KiKaonde language. Mr. and Mrs. C.S. Foster leave the Kasempa District after having lived there for 58 years. Complete upgrading of roads from Kasempa to the Solwezi-Kabompo turn-off and towards Mushima. Chizela sub-Boma opens.

1976 District Governor: Mr. J. Mukena. A new Senior Chief for Kasempa is elected: His Royal Highness Benson Mushitala.

1977 Disturbances in the Chizela area due to subversive actions of the Mushala gang.

1978 Announcement that the Chizela region (with the chiefdoms of Chief Kizela, Munyambara and Mushima) will be a separate District. The official name for this region becomes Mufumbwe and its capital Chizela (Kizela). The region is about half in size of the original Kasempa region and its population is nearly half of the former Kasempa District.

1980 A new prison is established at the foot of Kamusongolwa Hill, including a large gardening area.

1981 A secondary school for boys is opened in Kasempa center.

1982 Start of an traditional, annual festival called ‘Juba Nshomo’ to celebrate the first harvest. It takes place at the palace of the Royal Highness Senior Chief Kasempa and is organized in the first week of June.

1990’s Farmers Settlement Schemes and Intensive Development Schemes close down.

1992 Death of Mr. Mark Mwika Tambatamba, Member of Parliament for the Kasempa Constituency from 1973 till 1988 and full Cabinet Minister from 1978 till 1985. He is buried at the Royal Graveyard of Senior Chief Kasempa.

2001 Kasempa Center connected to the main national electricity grid.

2002, 2004 Radio masts for Zambian telephone and mobile phone connections are erected.

2004 Tarred road between Solwezi and Kasempa completed with extension to Mukinge hospital. ‘Regular time’ bus services between Kasempa and Solwezi operating.

2008 Private bank branches open in Kasempa Center.
2009 The Kaonde Cultural Association is established, with a ‘indaba’ of all Kaonde chiefs (including Kaonde Chiefs from the Democratic Republic of Congo) at Kaimbwe near the Kaimbwe salt plain area (formerly called the Heart of Kaonde land).

2004 -2014 Intensive mining explorations take place all over the region. Mining activities start again for a while at the old Jifumpu mine (near Lunga river pontoon), and also by the Lunga Mining co. at Buffalo mine (situated in the East Lunga game reserve area) and small scale activities take place in areas south of Mushima, along the road to Kaoma, and near Shivuma/Kamatete, Mpungu and Mukunchi/Mubelemene.