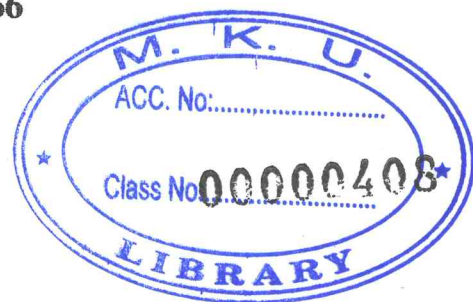


**INVESTIGATION TO ESTABLISH WHY SECONDARY SCHOOLS  
HAVE HUGE DEBTS IN GATANGA COUNTY AND HOW THEY  
HAVE INFLUENCED POOR PERFORMANCE IN THE COUNTY**

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## ABSTRACT

The study was to investigate and establish why secondary schools in Gatanga have huge debts and how they have influenced poor performance in the County. The study was conducted in Gatanga County, Kihumbuini Zone. It was conducted in selected or sampled secondary schools to represent others since it was challenging to visit all secondary schools in the County. The purpose of the study was to investigate the purpose that significantly contribute to huge debts in secondary schools, identify why we have devastated buildings in schools and also establish whether proper budget are maintained in schools. The study was also to establish whether funds are received when needed and also to investigate whether principals and teachers are trained on management of funds in schools. The researcher used a cross section research and questionnaire research method which gave more accurate results since the research method was intended to study the effects of school debts on performance. The researcher used interviews and focus groups where applicable. The data was later analyzed and presented by use of tables, pie charts and bar graphs.

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