



MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE

AIR ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

PRELIMINARY REPORT

OPERATOR:	Air Lamu Ltd
AIRCRAFT TYPE:	Piper PA 32R-301T
AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURER:	Piper Aircraft Corporation
YEAR OF MANUFACTURE:	1982
AIRCRAFT REGISTRATION:	5Y BRJ
AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBER:	32R-8229014
DATE OF REGISTRATION:	08/04/2003
TYPE OF ENGINE:	Lycoming T10-540-S1AD
DATE OF OCCURRENCE:	15 May 2013
TIME OF OCCURRENCE:	1400
LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE:	Borana Airstrip, Kenya
TYPE OF FLIGHT:	Commercial
NUMBER OF PERSONS ON BOARD:	Crew - 1; Passengers – 1
INJURIES:	None
NATURE OF DAMAGE:	Substantial (Propeller and Nose Landing Gear)
CATEGORY OF OCCURRENCE:	Serious Incident
PIC'S FLYING EXPERIENCE:	Total 4,246.2 Hrs; 439.4 Hrs on type

*All times given in this report is Coordinated Universal Time (UTC)
East African Local Time is UTC plus 3 hours.*



PHOTO: 5Y-BRJ after collapsing

REMARKS

The air accident investigation department was notified of this occurrence on 16 May, 2013 at 700Hrs and immediately investigators responded to the accident site.

The pilot reported to have taken off from Ngare Ndare airstrip in Nanyuki at 1355Hrs and flew the five minute flight to Borana airstrip with one passenger.

The aircraft touched down at Borana airstrip at 1400Hrs. While on ground roll on the runway the right pedal kicked back against the pilot's foot followed by immediate nose gear collapse.

The aircraft slewed off the runway to the right and came to a standstill in the parking area 27M off the runway's centre line.

The pilot reported that three green lights were still illuminated when he turned off the master switch.

Chief Inspector
24 May 2013