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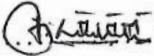
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## **CHAPTER ONE**

### **1.0 BACKGROUND**

A yarn is a strand of fibers used for knitting or weaving(Merriam-Webster, 2012). Yarns are produced by a series of processes which include blow room, carding, draw frame, comber for combed yarns, speed frame for ring spun yarns, ring frame and rotor spinning machine. Yarn composition is term used to describe the percentage of each type of fibers in a yarn. It is also commonly referred to as blend ratio (Carl A.Lawrence-2003)

There are several reasons as to why blending of yarns is done in a spinning mill. Some of them include;

Blending is done to impart lacking properties in other yarns, examples of such properties are moisture regain, drapability, aesthetics, and heat retention (journal of the Textile Association-Jan.Feb.2007)

Some yarns are not easily processed if not blended thus calling for blending, thus blending is done for some yarns for ease of processing. Yarns composition has several effects on the properties of yarns produced from the spinning mill as shown below; Composition affects strength and thus when doing the blending the correct blend ratios have to be carriedout to ensure that the required strength is obtained.

Composition also affects the ease with which the rovings' are spun into the yarns (Textile learner 2004)

Composition also has effects on the chemical and physical properties of yarns. As shown from above the effects of yarn composition, measures have to be taken to predict yarn composition and make corrections where necessary to prevent any negative effect from arising. Composition tests can be done at roving stage or at the yarn stage in the spinning mill depending convenience. The composition tests in Nyanza textiles limited are carried out in the chemical laboratory by carrying out a carbonizing test because most of the blends done are cellulosics and polymer yarn blends. As the chemical method of

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