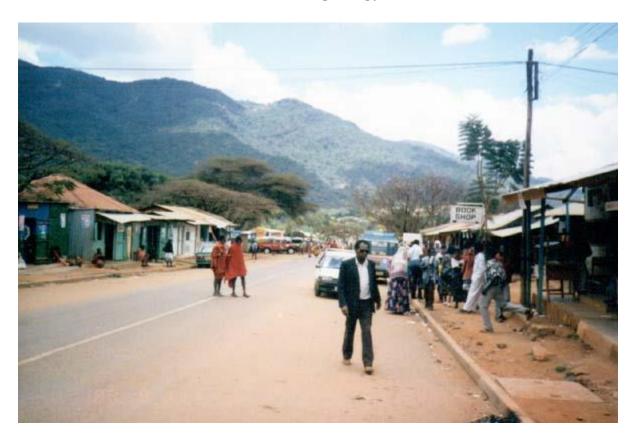
NAMANGA – KENYA / TANZANIA BORDER TOWN NOW & THEN



Namanga Town 2012



Almost exactly the same spot photo taken mid to late 1950's, fifty five years ago. The unmistaken mountain backdrop gives a strong clue of the location.

Shows my father-in-law Mr Nasir Butt en route from Nairobi on his regular yearly trips to Dar-es-Salam to see his own in-laws.



The adventure of safaris had its perils too. Here the car has broken down near Voi en route to Dar es Salam. In this instance the family, comprising elder mum (Mama), wife and two little children had to sleep out the night in the car. In the morning, they discovered the village (in the background) was not too far away. A Gujararti duka owner then helped them to reach to nearby Taveta where Mr Nasir Butt's uncle Chacha Ahmed Hussain, who worked as a maintenance engineer on a White man's sisal estate helped them to put them back on the road with a repair of the broken sump and a two day unscheduled stopover at their lovely colonial house.



Namanga in 1960. Photo shows a restaurant belonging to a Muslim Memon well remembered by my late father-in-law.

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