

## Target of the project

The population in the administrative subprefecture of Bassila use the forest resources on a sustainable basis.

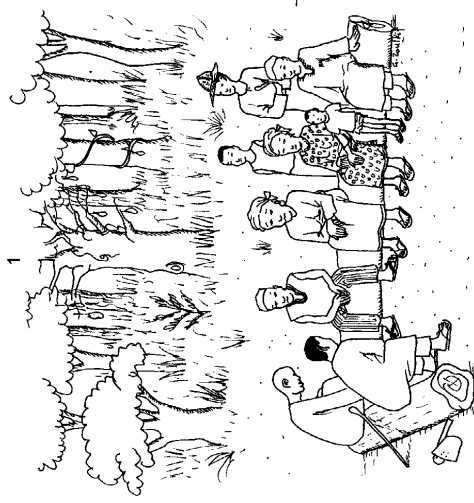
(2.500 km<sup>2</sup>, 33 villages with more than 56.000 inhabitants in 1999)

## Results

- 1 Co-gestion forest management plans of 2 State Forests are worked out and executed.

The development plan of Penesoulou is going to be executed. 200 ha of teak and cashew trees have been planted. Management organisations are working and are independent and operational.

The development plan of Bassila will be signed in 2001.



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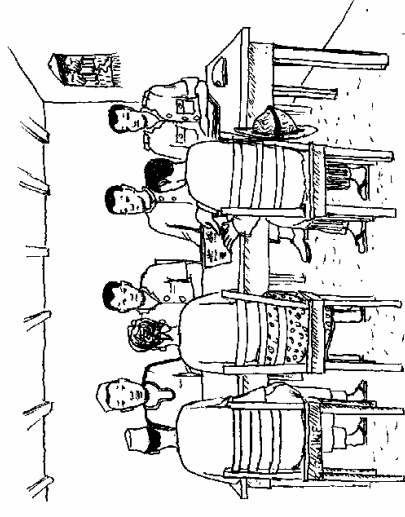
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## Project of Forest Resources Management in Bassila

Ministry for Rural Development  
Forest and Natural Resources  
Direction  
Republic of Benin

## GTZ GFA Terra Systems

Executed from 1988 to 6.2004  
Present Phase IV  
from 01.07.1998 to 30.06.2001



- 2 The management of the natural forests (private) had began.

31 private forests with an area of 664 ha are going to be managed. The owners are communities or villages. The Forest Director signs each plan. Till now, all 31 plans are in execution and one plan has already be signed in 1999.

- 3 The Land management is improved in the villages.

The project works with 33 villages, or 49 hamlets. 16 villages have a Land management plan and 25 an Annual work plan. The main activities are :

- Plantations of teak, cashew trees, ....
- Annual Land Planning,
- Early burnings done and late burnings stopped
- Controlled cuttings in the fields
- Transhumance management
- Wood cutting's control

4 The organisation of the village's comitees is improved.

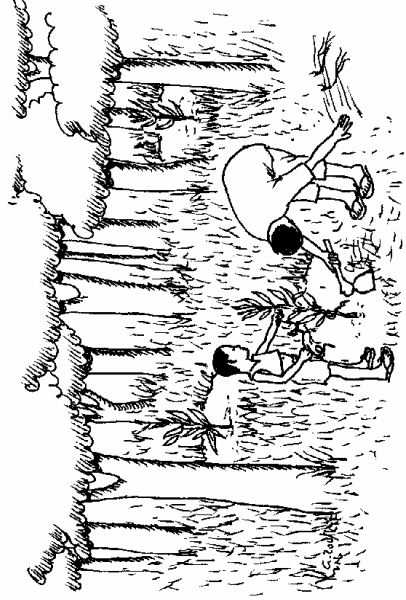
6 Management comitees in State Forests  
22 Economic groups in State Forests  
31 Working Groups in Private Forests.  
39 Women's groups in the villages  
14 Coalmining groups (E et I)  
3 groups and 32 individual Beekeepers.  
28 women's groups producing soap.  
A lot of trainings have been organised.

5 The production, transformation and marketing of the wooden products are improved

Chaines : Coal, Apiculture, Cashew trees, Teak, Eucalyptus, Shea butter trees (soap).

6 The Forest Service is responsible for the application of the law

The Cantonnement Forestier de Bassila is responsible for the popularization of law texts, for the set up of Committes for cutting's control and for the survey.

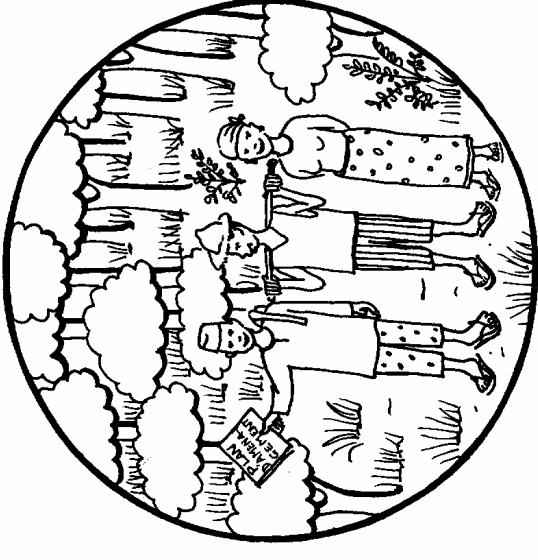
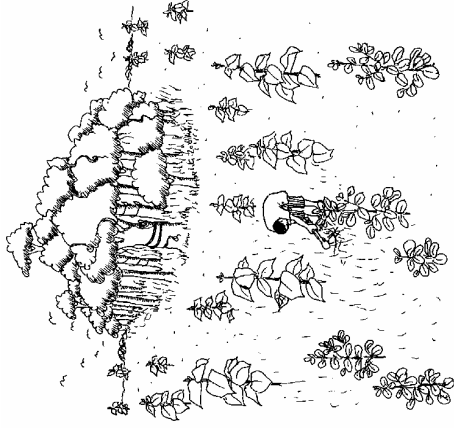


## Staff

35 GFA Terra Systems employees, 2 VED Volunteers, 11 State Agents and contractuels.

## History

Service of the « Office National du Bois » with plantations from 1988 to 1996. DFRN project since 1997.



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