

Case 15: M O Z A M B I Q U E

Counseling and Legal Assistance to the Cubo Community

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The knowledge and implementation of the legal, environmental, land and forest framework are enormous challenges in our country, and consequently have important repercussions on access to justice for the most disadvantaged populations, especially rural communities. It was based on this assumption that in 2012 the CTV created the Office of Legal Advice and Assistance (GAAJ), as a mechanism to strengthen access to law and justice by rural communities. The GAAJ initially focused on empowering civil society organizations on land and other natural resource legislation and on enhancing the status of the Paralegal. In a second phase, it promoted the attraction of investments and the creation of partnerships between communities with legalized lands and private investors, in order to contribute to the achievement of national rural development objectives, especially to ensure access and security of land tenure for all The Mozambicans and stability and social progress.

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Background of the Project

The Terra Viva Center (CTV) has a Free Public Interest Advocacy Service to support citizens, individually and / or collectively, the public and private sectors, in the resolution of conflicts related to Land Use, Environment and other Natural Resources.

This Office was created thanks to the constitutional and legal recognition of Legal Pluralism, characterized by the existence of several normative systems and resolution of conflicts in the country (Article 4 of the Constitution of the Republic of Mozambique, in conjunction with some precepts of Law No. 6/94, of January 13 - Law of Sponsorship and Legal Assistance).

Objectives of the Project

Promote participatory and inclusive environmental governance, based on knowledge, justice, equity and the defense of the principles of sustainability of land management and other natural resources for the promotion of rural development.

Major Activities

Conservation of Species Diversity

- ✓ Production and dissemination of legal information on land and other natural resources;
- ✓ Preparation of opinions, denunciations, statutes and other legal documents related to the use of land and other natural resources;
- ✓ Training, support and supervision of Paralegals;
- ✓ Support for the institutionalization of the Paralegal figure;
- ✓ Support in the creation of advantageous partnerships between rural communities and investors in the use and use of land and other natural resources.

Direct Outputs from the Project

- ✓ Construction of a lodge with 10 chalets, 1 restaurant 1 pool and houses for workers;
- ✓ Supply of 1 off-road vehicle, for safari, with capacity for 10 occupants;
- ✓ Recruitment of 12 workers, recruited in the community of Cubo;
- ✓ Payment of a cash fee to the community prior to the start of the joint exploration of the lodge.

Indirect Impact of the Project

Improvement of Cubo families' living conditions

Intervention of Central/Local Government and other stakeholders

The Government has put in place appropriate policies and legislation to create conducive environment for communities to effectively manage forest and range resources in their localities. The Department of Forestry and Range Resources offers technical support to communities involved in Thotayamarula forest conservation area to easily achieve their objectives.

Reference Documents/Materials

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