



## FOREST and FARM FACILITY Country achievements



Zambia

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### HIGHLIGHTS OF IMPACTS

- **Established Choma District Charcoal Association** in Southern Province with Forest and Farm Facility (FFF) support – important breakthrough for subsector supplying energy needs for at least 80 percent of national population.
- **Over 300 members from 20 producer groups officially registered** in 2017 as part of the Choma District Charcoal Association.
- **More extension services for producer groups, and improved revenue collection from charcoal producers and traders** by the Zambia Forestry Department, as a result of relationships developed between the department and producers.
- **Improved organization and trade for honey producers** in Chief Chibwika area, Mwinilunga District.
- **Organized and improved trade of tree nursery producers** in Choma District.
- **Zambia National Forest Commodities Association officially registered** in 2017 with overall objective “to promote sustainable management of forests and farmlands among its members in Zambia”.



### MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS BY THE NUMBERS

- **In 10 forest degradation hot spots, traditional chiefs and the Forestry Department worked with Choma District Charcoal Association members** to replenish resources and improve sustainability of trade, demonstrating how the association has already had a significant impact on Forest and Farm Producer Organizations (FFPOs) and the forest landscape.
- **More than 100 smallholder honey producers gained a better price** in Chief Chibwika area, Mwinilunga District, by selling honey at a bulking center close to their villages.



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## A ZAMBIAN SUCCESS STORY

Juliet Mangubi of Tubeleke's women's club in Choma has improved her basket-making business after training in FFF's Market Analysis and Development approach. She established a center at her home and attracted buyers from high-value markets from the tourist capital city of Livingstone and from Choma. She has mobilized 30 members of her group to make at least 50 baskets per week for targeted markets and is earning at least USD 300 per month. The Forest and Farm Facility (FFF) has provided training on improved quality baskets from Zimbabwe for the women's club with a goal to supply the Choma museum.



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## LESSONS LEARNED

Forest and farm producers in Zambia have learned that joint motives lend themselves to collaboration and sharing between different producer organizations. Therefore, it was possible to nurture the embryonic Zambia National Forest Commodities Association within the already established Cotton Association of Zambia (CAZ).

An organized charcoal producers' network can support weak government extension services for improved sustainable forest management and revenues.



## GENDER/YOUTH IMPACT

Participation by women encouraged and facilitated in all capacity development activities, including business training for producer organizations using the FFF Market Analysis and Development approach with at least 50 percent female participation.

The Chibwika Chiefdom Development Trust provided training directly to local youth to improve sustainability and production of honey in the chiefdom.

Governance training for the Choma District Charcoal Association and the Choma Tree Nursery Association encouraged participation of women and youth in leadership positions.

**Partners:** Chibwika Chiefdom Development Trust; Choma District Charcoal Association; Choma Tree Nursery Association; Cotton Association of Zambia (CAZ); Kalonda Agroforestry and Beekeeping Association; Kanyama Multipurpose Cooperative; Mboole Rural Development Initiative (MRDI); Zambia National Farmers' Union (ZNFU); Zambia National Forest Commodities Association.

**Government counterparts:** Choma District Forestry office; Mwinilunga District Forestry office; North-Western Province Forestry office; Southern Province Forestry office; Zambia Forestry Department.