

RESULTS AT MIDTERM

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ◆ Facilitated writing 7 local conventions to manage natural resources on **1,600,000** hectares
- ◆ Assistance in writing local codes in 4 government forests and 2 community forests to manage forest resources on **191,000** hectares
- ◆ Training in **400** villages in techniques of reforestation, protection against grazing, and controlling bush fires

ECONOMIC BENEFITS:

- ◆ **959** meetings held in organization, administrative management, and value-adding techniques for small enterprises: 13,205 persons trained, of which 52% are women
- ◆ Mediation of the signing of **186** contracts between producer groups and product buyers
- ◆ **1,386** enterprises based on natural resources and agriculture have nearly tripled their revenues from the 2004 level, up to 148,500,000 CFA

POLICY:

- ◆ **12** barriers to sustainable management of natural resources have been reduced in the regulated hunting, migrant herding, and forestry financial accountability sectors
- ◆ **23** policy analyses and evaluations have been drafted
- ◆ **50** discussion forums for stakeholders in specific natural resource products have been held at the community, regional, and national levels

Wula Nafaa's 31 facilitators lodged in the target villages, lead meetings and negotiate between stakeholders in the promotion of various forest and non-traditional agric products



COLLABORATING PARTNERS

The Water, Forests, Wildlife, and Soil Conservation Service • International Resources Group • Winrock International • Cooperative League of the USA • Regional and local development and governance structures • Centre de Suivi Ecologique • USDA Forest Service • EROS



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WULA NAFAA* Project Agriculture and Natural Resource Management

(*Wolof for "BENEFITS FROM THE FOREST")

REGIONS: Tambacounda, Kolda, Ziguinchor

OBJECTIVE: Contribute to the reduction of poverty through local sustainable development

The project achieves **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT** by promoting and supporting:

- ◆ rational management of FORESTS
- ◆ ECONOMIC PERSPECTIVES
- ◆ GOOD GOVERNANCE

THE APPROACH OF WULA NAFAA (WN)

Wula Nafaa's activities are carried out with local communities, institutional partners, and other regional projects that work in natural resource (NR) management. Our mission is linked to the triad leading to sustainable development, identified by United States Agency for International Development USAID:

NATURE - WEALTH - POWER. NR management projects that integrate certain key concepts in each of these domains have historically been the most successful.

Agric and forest products from producer groups in the program, packaged and ready to sell



KEY CONCEPTS FOR SUCCESS:

- ✓ Good business management
- ✓ Access to the market and to credit
- ✓ Increase in revenues

WEALTH

- ◆ WN does extensive training on controlled harvest of natural resources so that the capital on which producers depend is not destroyed
- ◆ WN trains members of new enterprises in financial management, marketing, and value-adding
- ◆ WN negotiates buyer-producer contracts



A boutique managed by women who sell their FONIO (wild couscous) with support from WN

KEY CONCEPTS FOR SUCCESS:

- ✓ Sustainable NR use
- ✓ Multiple use
- ✓ Integrated management



NATURE

- ◆ WN supports communities practicing their rights to benefit from natural resources
- ◆ NR management plans are elaborated using the participatory approach
- ◆ WN works with communities so they understand existing laws
- ◆ WN assists forest communities to carry out their responsibilities for stewardship



The right to harvest Mbepp gum is accompanied by a responsibility to correctly tap the tree. Such training is offered by Wula Nafaa to its producer groups.

PRODUCTS SUPPORTED BY WULA NAFAA

- ◆ Mbepp gum (*Sterculia setigera*)
- ◆ Madd fruit (*Saba senegalensis*)
- ◆ Jujube (*Zizyphus mauritiana*)
- ◆ Honey and wax
- ◆ Cashew nuts
- ◆ Fonio
- ◆ Palm oil
- ◆ Baobob fruit

Women prepare baobab juice ("bouye") to sell under a WN-negotiated contract

KEY CONCEPTS FOR SUCCESS:

- ✓ Equitable access to NR benefits
- ✓ Governance that is just, democratic, and transparent



POWER

- ◆ WN facilitates negotiation between communities and government on NR exploitation /management issues, including those associated with migrant herders
- ◆ WN policy activity includes identification and reduction of barriers to sustainable NR exploitation by neighboring communities
- ◆ WN sponsors consultative forums for natural resource management partners in the region
- ◆ WN works with Forest Service to improve the NR revenue system



All members of society have a right to benefit from the nation's NR