



Enhancing resilience of communities and effective management of ecosystems in the Chimanimani Mountains Key Biodiversity Area

Type of priority area

Key Biodiversity Area

Key Landscape for Conservation

Terrestrial Protected Area

Primary objective

Livelihoods

Management Effectiveness

Target groups

Local Communities

Women

National or local PA agency

Main activity focus

Livelihoods/ Alternative economic activities

Ecosystem/ habitat restoration

Protected Area Management Effectiveness (PAME)



Duration
01.01.2023 – 30.06.2024



Type of grant & budget
Medium Grant | 200,000 €



Location
Zimbabwe, Southern Africa



Protected & Conserved Areas
Chimanimani National Park



WDPA ID
2532



BIOPAMA RRS Link
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Project Lead

Birdlife Zimbabwe

Project Partners

Tsuro Trust

Description of the project :

This project will contribute to effective management and improved resilience of the Chimanimani Mountains Key Biodiversity Area through strengthening local capacity of stakeholders, habitat restoration, generating and enhancing sustainable, green economic opportunities for the communities around the protected areas.





Diagnostic Tools Used

Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool (METT)



The BIOPAMA Action Component Objectives Addressed

- ✓ Support local communities' initiatives aiming to enhance the livelihoods of local people whilst effectively contributing to protected areas' management



Priority Need Addressed

Enhancing livelihoods of communities living around a protected area, improve capacity of these communities and stakeholders in effective management of protected area and its surroundings



The change the project implementation will bring for the protected areas

Increased capacity and active participation of local institutions and communities in ecosystem and biodiversity management in and around a protected in Chimanimani. A stakeholder Management and Advisory Group strengthened takes a coordinated approach to site management and guiding of local decisions on conservation in this KBA. A PAME tool (IMET) applied in Chimanimani established conservation gaps addressed by the protected area authority together with local stakeholders. Three local communities living around the protected area adopt green economic livelihoods that are environmentally friendly resulting in reduction of threats to the protected area landscape in Chimanimani. The acquired skills and knowledge in small-scale business management, marketing and value addition accelerate income generation from the established livelihoods. Sustainable and environmentally friendly farming practices by local communities integrate well with biodiversity conservation in and around the protected area. Improved ecosystems in and around the protected area through restoration of degraded areas and effective management of the site.

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