

**International Tree Foundation
Narrative Report - MA395 Sahel ECO**

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Project Details:		
Project Title	TREES OUTSIDE THE FOREST: Scaling up successful experience of community tree management in Mali	
Project sector (for e.g. Environmental Justice, Biodiversity conservation, poverty alleviation)	Poverty Alleviation; Desertification	
Overall achievements and conclusion		
<p>The TREES OUTSIDE THE FOREST project has raised awareness of the potential of simple low-cost farm management techniques to increase tree cover and bring multiple benefits including more abundant firewood and fodder and protection of crops from erosion. A 15 minute film produced by the project, was watched by over 400 farmers & local officials in 4 districts in the Mopti region and the message was reinforced through local language booklets and radio programmes. In July 233 farmers in 89 villages said they had adopted the techniques as a result of the project.</p> <p>Through the Web and at conferences, the project has shared the Barahogon success story with NGOs, researchers, policy makers & donors working on sustainable land management in the Sahel and climate change. After watching the film the Malian Forest Directorate finally agreed to take part in a televised debate alongside Sahel Eco and the National Farmers Federation thus publicly acknowledging the achievements of the Barahogon. However whilst initial results are encouraging the overall proportion of farmers in Mali who actively manage the trees in their fields, remains low. Much work remains to be done over the next few years to secure widespread and sustainable scaling up and ultimately, re-greening of the Sahel. This project has paved the way</p>		
Actual Project start date	January 2008	
Actual Project completion date	November 2009	
Total project Cost	£30 204	
Signature Date		

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Part II- Project Activities

What were the project's major activities?

The projects major activities (as planned) were :

1. Assessing and documenting the Bankass experience of community management of field trees;
2. Disseminating the main findings and lessons of the Bankass experience to key “agents of change” in 5 other districts in Mopti region and, through them, to communities in these districts;
3. Disseminating the main findings and lessons of the Bankass experience at national level in Mali to national farmers’ organisations, NGOs, Ministries and other government departments concerned by rural development issues; and
4. Disseminating the main findings and lessons of the Bankass experience to individuals and institutions outside Mali who work with similar issues of dryland resource management

What were the goals of each activity and the outcome?

The long term goal of this project is to contribute to reversing the devastating effects of deforestation on rural and urban livelihoods in the Mopti region. Its immediate purpose is to scale up the successful experience of community management of field trees in Bankass to communities in at least ten other communes in the Mopti region.

The expected outcome of activities to assess, document and disseminate the Bankass experience in 5 other districts in Mopti region (activities 1 and 2) is that **250 “change agents” and community leaders in five districts in the Mopti region** will have a better understanding of forestry and local government legislation and of the opportunities they offer for community management of trees growing on agricultural land. This in turn is expected to lead to people in these communes adopting new practices such as for example: challenging forestry agents who issue illegal permits and taking action to prevent unauthorised felling of field trees; developing and enforcing their own rules for the protection and exploitation of field trees; encouraging farmers, including women, to protect naturally regenerated field trees and to plant trees to meet specific needs.

The expected outcome of dissemination activities at national and international levels (activities 2 and 3) which target senior Ministry staff and other influential people (civil society organisations, research institutes etc.) as well as the general public (through TV and radio) is a positive change in attitudes, policy and practices and a growth in support, for farmer or community-led management of trees on farms.

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Project Impact (what has changed as a result of the project)

Immediately after the video sessions, Mr David Dara of the association Djoliba Travaux summed up the effect of the project in Koro in the following words: “*The project has raised awareness and incited strong engagement from local farmers who have understood the message that environmental degradation is not a fatality but something that can be addressed with simple techniques such as those used by the Barahogon, which merit wider dissemination*”.

The key indicator of project impact is the change in number of farmers practicing farmer managed natural regeneration techniques (FMNR). During a follow up visit to four communes at the end of July we identified 233 farmers in 89 villages, who said they had adopted FMNR after watching the film and would be willing to show us the results of their efforts during the 2010 dry season.

District	Commune	Adoption of FMNR after watching the film	
		Total no of Villages	Total no of Farmers
Bandiagara	Ségué-Iré	5	14
	Ondougou	8	40
	Timiniri	6	14
Mopti	Sio	9	49
	Fatoma	5	10
Djénné	Madiama	6	11
	Fakala	6	8
Koro	Youdiou	14	28
	Barapiréli	14	28
	Koporo-Pen	16	31
Totals		89	233

Although this is an encouraging number of farmers adopting FMNR in the first season’s campaign, there is still need for more outreach work because the overall rate of adoption in these villages remains low. In time we hope that these farmers become “local champions” for FMNR and will encourage others to follow suit

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Major Challenges

The following major challenges encountered during the project:

- We underestimated the time and effort required to make and edit the film and produce the four language versions (original versions with French and English subtitles plus dubbed versions in Bamanan and Peul). As a result, the training session planned for September 2008 was delayed until December and the brochure was not finalised until early 2009
- Municipal elections in April 2009 (and campaigning in the period leading to them) caused further delays to the schedule of video sessions in the 10 communes and affected the attendance of elected local government officials. The facilitators overcame this difficulty by relying heavily on local farmers associations to organise the sessions.
- The Forestry Service is reluctant to give open support to farmers practicing FMNR, despite the evidence from Bankass and elsewhere in the Sahel that it can have a substantial impact on tree cover and livelihoods. Few local forestry service agents attended the video sessions in the communes and the National Director postponed the recording session, requesting a meeting with Sahel Eco to discuss their concerns. This is regrettable but not very surprising since the Barahogon have challenged an illegal, but widely accepted, practice within the forestry service.
- The NGO in the Douentza district which had initially expressed interest in promoting the film, pulled out just before the training session when it was too late to find anyone else. To maintain a total of 10 communes, HDS and Joliba Travail each agreed to show the film in the three communes instead of two.

What changes would you make to the activities, if any?

If we were to do this project again we would

- Allow for more time and additional funds to make the film. Ensure that the director/producer/editor has transcriptions of all footage in local languages or works alongside someone in the editing studio who can translate as required.
- Establish an advisory committee at regional level including representatives of key stakeholders (including Departments of Agriculture, Livestock and Forestry, National Farmers Union etc.) and include its members in the initial training of trainers. This will broaden the discussion at institutional level, so that it is not only between Sahel Eco and the Forestry service, and encourage state technical personnel at local levels to attend the video sessions in the communes.
- Provide additional funds to hold follow up video sessions in all villages (or in major villages) after the initial session in each commune, so that many more people can take part. If possible we'd follow this by taking key people from the commune, on a farmer-to-farmer visit to the Barahogon.

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Please give evidence of how you have achieved your goals and objectives and sub objectives detailed in your application form.

Project Purpose: to scale up the successful experience of community management of field trees in Bankass to communities in at least ten other communes in the Mopti region.

Objective

- ✓ **250 “change agents” and community leaders in five districts in the Mopti region have a better understanding of forestry and local government legislation and of the opportunities they offer for community management of trees growing on agricultural land.**

4 NGO employees, 9 local government representatives and 3 association leaders were trained to show the film and to lead a discussion session around the issues it raises.

Following training, outreach sessions (film + discussion) were organised by the NGOs in 10 communes in four districts of the Mopti region with total participation of **407 “change agents” and community leaders from 150 villages (315 men and 92 women)**

District	Communes	Number of villages represented	Participants		
			Men	Women	Total
Mopti	Fatoma	22	24	0	24
	Sio	18	21	0	21
	Ségué-Iré	16	52	0	52
Bandiagara	Ondougou	10	42	17	59
	Timiniri	27	37	28	65
	Barapiréli	14	35	7	42
Koro	Koporo-Pen	18	34	14	48
	Youdiou	13	28	13	41
Djénné	Fakala	7	24	3	27
	Madiama	5	18	10	28
Total		150	315	92	407

Objective

- ✓ **a positive change in attitudes, policy and practices and a growth in support, for farmer or community-led management of trees on farms.**

Locally

- The NGOs HDS (Bandiagara) and Joliba Travail (Koro) mobilised other sources of funding to hold video sessions in additional communes and villages.
- Radio Jamana in Djénné continues to broadcast the radio programme once a week at the request of its Bambara speaking auditors.

Nationally

At a World Agroforestry Centre international conference in Bamako in April 2009, Moussa Dembele the official representative of Mali’s National Forest Directorate gave public support to Sahel Eco’s work to promote farmer management of tree in fields in the presence of the Chief Technical Advisor to the Minister of the Environment.

The Mali’s National Forest Directorate had initially declined our invitation to take part in a televised debate about farmer management in trees in fields stating that such a debate was “not appropriate” at this time. After we showed the film at National Environment Fortnight in June and gave the Forest Directorate 6 copies, the National Director finally gave his approval. This led to the Head of the Department of Forest Regulations and Control participating firstly in a planning meeting and then in early August, in the televised debate.

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Internationally

The film has been viewed via internet over 130 times (August 2009).

Willem VAN COTTHEM Honorary Professor University of Ghent (Belgium) referred to the film on his blog as “A stunning illustrative video on the idea of the Sahel Regreening Initiative”. (<http://desertification.wordpress.com>)

After watching the film via internet, a Dutch NGO, ICCO invited Sahel Eco to their annual partner’s meeting in Niono (Ségou region) in July 2009 to show and discuss the film.

After watching the film Barbara Nicholls a TV film director/camerawoman decided to include the experience of the Barahogon in the “Down to Earth” a documentary for the BBC World TV Earth report series which she filmed in Mali and Burkina in June 2009

Have you raised income or gained other resources through the projects activities which will allow the project to sustain itself? Please give details.

When Dr Chris Reij of Amsterdam University visited Mali in November 2007 to scope for interest in the Sahel Re-Greening Initiative (SRI) this project enabled us to demonstrate that were already actively engaged scaling up FMNR. Dr Reij subsequently invited Sahel Eco to act as focal point for SRI in Mali and secured funding for 3-years from a UK foundation, FINHUMF. This will provide Sahel Eco with 500.000 euros over three years (starting 1 June 2009) to continue work begun under this project and extend coverage to the Segou and Koulikoro regions.

In March 2009 a Dutch NGO, BothEnds (www.bothends.org) made a grant of 2256 euros to enable the Barahogon association to hold video sessions in six of the 12 communes in the Bankass District and to disseminate additional copies of the DVD and brochure (see below). We supported implementation of this grant and helped the Barahogon to report back to the donor.

As part of the Village Tree Enterprise (VTE) project we used funds from the FAO to disseminate 10 copies of the DVD during National Environment Fortnight

We have secured funding from Tree Aid for 2009-2011 to promote FMNR alongside work to develop small forest enterprises in 50 villages in the Segou and Mopti regions.

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Please report on Timeline of the project and the activities

All key planned activities were carried out. Any changes to the work plan are explained below. The timing was delayed compared to our initial plan because of the additional time required to finalise the film and produce the brochures, municipal elections in April 2009, to persuade the Forest Directorate to take part in the televised debate and to organise and to produce the TV and radio programmes to be broadcast on national radio (see Table in Annex 1)

1. The Bankass experience was assessed and documented: We conducted a short study to assess the impact on tree resources and livelihoods of the experience of the Barahogon association in Bankass and made a 15 minute video with the local community to illustrate findings and give practical advice to other farmers. From this we also produced local language radio programmes and a brochure to accompany the video and we wrote up the findings in a report. The total number of copies of the film and brochure produced and disseminated to date are as follows :

Number of copies	Source of funds				Total
	ITF	FAO	BothEnds	Other (sale of DVD)	
Film (DVD et VHS)	37	10	6	6	59
Brochure in French	65	0	40	0	105
Brochure in Bambara	120	0	180	0	300
Brochure in Peul	120	0	180	0	300

2. The Bankass experience was disseminated in four other districts in Mopti region:

We trained 16 resource persons (4 local NGO staff, 9 local government representatives and 3 CBO leaders) to disseminate findings and provided them with copies of the video, radio broadcast and brochure and with other support, to disseminate the experience to people in 10 communes in the four districts of Mopti, Koro, Bandiagara and Djenné. We broadcast the radio programme at least three times in each of 2 or 3 languages on local radios stations in the same districts (radios ORTM Mopti, Orona, Baguina and Jamana). We were unable to disseminate the film in a fifth district, Douentza, because we were unable to find a local NGO willing to act as a relay.

From 21st to 30th July we made follow up visits to Bandiagara, Koro, Mopti, Djenné, Bankass to assess the immediate outcomes of the video sessions in terms of numbers of farmers who say they have adopted FMNR as a result of watching the film (see section on impact)

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3. The Bankass was experience disseminated at national level in Mali: We showed the film and hosted question and answer sessions with key decision makers, researchers and civil society organisations at three key events; the National Environment Forum (January 2009), a Mali Forest Governance Learning Group meeting (March 2009) and an international seminar “Beyond Forest Law through Collective learning and Action” organised by ICRAF Sahel, GTZ and the Resource Rights Initiative (April 2009)

In addition to these events, the film has also been shown informally on numerous occasions and we have allowed people to make copies to their hard disks. Six people bought a copy of the DVD at cost price.

In June 2009, Sahel Eco had stand during National Environment Week at an exhibition entitled “Natural Resource Management Best Practices” which was visited by the Prime Minister, the Minister of the Environment and Minister of Tourism. In July the film was shown to local partners of ICCO (a Dutch NGO) at their annual meeting in Niono and at the Alternative Economic Forum in Bandiagara where it generated considerable interest.

We obtained a 45 minute slot on the TV programme “Lets Talk About That” (*Ça se discute*) for a round table discussion with representatives of the National Forest Directorate and the national federation of farmers’ organisations, AOPP. The discussions were organised around the film - shown in two parts – focussing first on the situation in Hore Guende and then in Endé. The TV programme was pre-recorded and broadcast twice by the national office for Television and Radio (ORTM) on Friday 18th August at 22.30 and Sunday 20th August at 10.00.

Discussions with ORTM to produce an accompanying radio programme in Bambara, the most widely understood language in Mali, took a considerable time due to staff holidays in August and a shortage of ORTM radio journalists and producers. Eventually, in November 2009 a contract to produce and broadcast the programme on ORTM was signed with Koné Communications, a specialist media organisation.

As a result of these delays, we have not carried out the planned follow up visits to assess immediate outcomes of dissemination activities at national level.

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5. The Bankass was experience disseminated outside Mali:

The film was uploaded by ITF on a web site <http://vimeo.com/4163389> and SOS Sahel UK posted a link to it on their Mali page (<http://www.sahel.org.uk/mali.html>).

The film was shown to three NGO members of the “Regreening the Sahel” initiative in Burkina Faso: Tree Aid, World Neighbors and Réseau MARP.

Many of the participants at the ICRAF Conference in Bamako in April 2009 were from outside Mali. Two purchased copies of the film.

The film was shown at a second international agro-forestry conference held in Ouagadougou in October 2009 by SAFRUIT Project at the Agricultural Economics Research Institute (LEI), Wageningen UR. Interested participants were allowed to make copies of the film

The experience of the Barahogon was included in the BBC World TV Earth Report “Down to Earth” broadcast in September 2009



To disseminate the experience and enable networking within West Africa we have opened a francophone social networking site www.reverdirlesahel.ning.com.

IIED was unable to publish the report of the study in Bankass as a Drylands Issue Paper because of a shortage of funds to do this in 2008. However a paper based on the report has been accepted for publication in a special electronic number of "Sécheresse" entitled «*Dynamics of forests and other forested spaces in arid lands*». This is due to be published in late 2009 although we don't yet have confirmation of the date.

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Part IV – Project Participants		
Please give details about who was involved in making the project work. This may be staff, volunteers or others.		
Name and Address	Role	Summary of duties
Idrissa Gana Sahel Eco drissagana@yahoo.fr	Community Forestry Coordinator	Staff: Worked full time on this project and had day to day responsibility for implementing the agreed work plan and budget
Mamadou Diakité Sahel Eco mdiak.sahelco@afribone.net.ml	Head of Programme	Staff: Worked part time, supervising and supporting the Community Forestry Coordinator. Lead dissemination activities at the national and international levels (forum, conferences, TV broadcast etc.)
Mary Allen Sahel Eco mary.sahelco@afribone.net.ml	Executive Secretary	Staff: Responsible for overall contract management, relations with ITF and reporting in English. Supported editing of film, translation of subtitles into English and all dissemination activities at the national and international levels
Mansa Samaké Sahel Eco mansa.sahelco@afribone.net.ml	Head of Finance and Admin	Staff: Responsible for management accounts and producing financial reports to donors.
Mustapha Diallo Macina Films macinafilm@yahoo.fr	Producer/ Cameraman/ Editor	Contractor: Shot and edited the film; inserted subtitles; dubbed local language versions; produced DVDs and VHS cassettes and covers.
Community members in Hore Guende and Ende	Participants in the farmer to farmer visit	Volunteers: Provided the content of the film. Images were filmed and edited to fit around their words
Local NGO staff in Bandiagara, Koro, Mopti and Djenné districts	Outreach	Volunteers: Disseminated the film and brochures in 10 communes in the areas they work
<p>Number of contract staff hired for the project: One.</p> <p>Idrissa Gana was transferred from our office in Tominian to Sevaré in January 2008, and given a new contract to work on this project. 100% of his salary was paid from this grant.</p> <p>His salary from 1st June 2009 has been paid by the “Sahel Re-Greening Initiative” funded by FINHUMF in collaboration with Amsterdam Free University.</p>		

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Beneficiaries	
<p>Number of Key Beneficiaries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 16 direct beneficiaries were trained by us. They are 4 local NGO staff, 9 local government representatives and 3 community leaders (Barahogon and ADEZOK associations and Horé-Guindé village) ▪ 407 people (315 men and 92 women) attended video outreach sessions organised in 10 communes by the staff of the 4 NGOs (HDS, Joliba Travaux; Eveil, AADI) 	
<p>Locations</p> <p>District: Mopti Bandiagara Koro Djénné</p> <p>Communes: Fatoma et Sio Ségué-Iré, Ondougou, Timiniri Barapiréli, Kopro-Pen, Youdiou Fakala, Madiama:</p>	
<p><i>Provide two examples of people who have been involved in the project and how they have benefited</i></p>	
	<p>Beneficiary One: Name: Justin Sagara, Coordinator of the NGO « Harmonie du Développement au Sahel »</p> <p><i>“The cooperation between Sahel Eco and HDS has enabled us to hold workshops to disseminate the Barahogon Association’s experience of farmer managed natural regeneration in the communes of Timiniri, Ségué-Iré and Ondougou using an audio-visual support. Even if people notice in a general way the changes in the flora of their environment, watching the images of the daily life of the inhabitants of Horéguéndé, where because of the advanced degradation of the vegetation they have to use cow dung for cooking, made the workshop participants face the fact that their resources may run out completely if they don’t take care and that they need to take action as quickly as possible. Today it is more than urgent for everyone ((local people, NGOs, financial partners) to commit to action to avoid extreme degradation of the flora. Re-greening the Sahel is possible; all it requires is the decision to act”.</i></p>
	<p>Beneficiary Two: Name: Salif Aly Guindo, President of the Barahogon Association:</p> <p><i>“Thanks to the production et diffusion of the film about our experience of farmer managed natural regeneration the Barahogon are known today both inside and outside Mali. This is shown by the number of visits which we have received since January 2009. These have included visits by : staff of the NGO Djoliba Travaux from Koro and farmers they work with ; 4 staff from the NGO HDS; 60 members and leaders of 4 farmers organisations from the Tominian District ; a delegation of 20 people accompanied by the Réseau MARP from Burkina Faso. We are frequently invited to local meetings on NRM issues, to talk about our experience. Although this gives us great feelings of satisfaction we are also aware of the many challenges that we still face including reaching 100% adoption of FMNR in Barahogon member villages, enforcing local by laws and strengthening the patrols of our village lands.”</i></p>

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Part V - Expenditure Summary

Name of Partner	SAHEL ECO
Project title	TREES OUTSIDE THE FOREST
Donor ref:	MA395
Reporting period	January 2008 to November 2009

ITEM	Revised	Expenditure	
	BUDGET	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
	FCFA	FCFA	£
<u>Capital costs</u>			
Office equipment	150 000	127 000	164
<u>Running costs - Sahel ECO</u>			
Salaries (including tax and pensions)	6 588 250	6 506 636	8 389
Office and Services	1 219 688	1 169 165	1 507
Travel	4 986 390	4 989 168	6 432
<u>Project Activities</u>			
1. Bankass experience assessed and documented			
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1.1 Conduct an assessment of impact on tree resources and livelihoods	332 750	332 750	429
1.2 Feedback findings at community level; draw lessons from the experience and develop recommendations	96 000	96 000	124
1.3 Produce a short video with local communities, to illustrate findings and give practical advice	1 817 000	2 042 000	2 633
1.4 Produce a local language radio programme based on the video	150 000	150 000	193
1.5 Write a short brochure and guidelines to accompany the video	300 000	300 000	387
1.6 Write up findings in publication form and send to IIED	-	-	-
2. Bankass experience disseminated in 5 other districts in Mopti region			
2.1 Train 20 foresters, NGO staff and CBO leaders to disseminate findings.	789 250	789 250	1 018
2.2 Broadcast radio programme on Mopti local radio	810 000	792 050	1 021
2.3 Provide copies of video, radio broadcast and publications to trained resource persons	110 000	45 000	58
2.4 Support dissemination activities at district level	1 000 000	1 002 000	1 292
2.5 Disseminate copies of brochures to all communal and district councils and to key civil society organisations	300 000	270 000	348
2.6 Assess effects of dissemination in 6 districts (follow up visits)	-	-	-
3. Bankass experience disseminated at national level in Mali			
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3.1 Communicate findings to key decision makers and civil society organisations elsewhere in Mali	410 000	425 500	549
3.2 Broadcast video on national TV	1 500 000	975 000	1 257
3.3 Broadcast radio programme on national radio	405 000	1 000 000	1 289
3.4 Publish findings as an IIED Drylands Issue paper in French	-	-	-
3.5 Disseminate IIED Drylands Issue Paper in Mali through the National Nature Conservation Service	-	-	-

note 1

note 2

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3.6	Make copies of the video, radio broadcast and publications available to interested parties	250 000	252 000	325	
3.7	Assess effects of dissemination at national level through interviews	-	-	-	note 3
4, Bankass experience disseminated outside Mali					
4.1	Publish key lessons learned from Bankass and this project on the Sahel Alliance website	-	-	-	
4.2	Disseminate the IIED Drylands Issue Paper in Europe and Africa in French and English through IIED network	-	-	-	
Monitoring and Evaluation					
	Support and supervision: Sahel ECO Accountant	794 227	790 313	1 019	
	Support and supervision: Sahel ECO Executive Secretary	632 660	632 660	816	
	Support and supervision: Travel (vehicle)	362 572	425 789	549	
	Support and supervision: Travel (food and accommodation)	50 000	15 433	20	
	Audit: Certification of accounts	300 000	300 000	387	
Total Spent		23 353 787	23 427 714	30 204	
Grant Awarded				30 204	
Remaining funds			-	-	

Exchange rate (FIFO)

775,649 FCFA/£

Notes:

- 1 Income from the sale of copies of the DVD was offset against this line which is why expenditure appears low
- 2 Due to the unavailability of radio journalists at ORTM we have contracted a specialist media firm, Koné Communications to produce an entirely new 45 minute radio broadcast in Bambara and broadcast it twice on the national radio channels. We used the balance of funds for this as it costs more than working with ORTM directly
- 3 Feedback at national level was not collected because of the delay in the radio broadcast

Part VI - Tree Planting Activities Summary

This project did not include any Tree Planting activities

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ANNEX 1:

WORK PLAN and IMPLEMENTATION		2008												2009											
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1. Bankass experience assessed and documented																									
1.1	Conduct an assessment of impact on tree resources and livelihoods	■	■																						
1.2	Feedback findings at community level; develop recommendations			■																					
1.3	Produce a short video with local communities				■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■													
1.4	Produce a local language radio programme based on the video					■						■	■	■											
1.5	Write a short brochure and guidelines to accompany the video						■	■					■	■											
1.6	Write up findings in publication form and send to IIED					■	■	■						■	■										
2. Bankass experience disseminated in 5 other districts in Mopti region																									
2.1	Train 20 foresters, NGO staff and CBO leaders to disseminate findings.									■				■	■										
2.2	Broadcast radio programme on Mopti local radio										■	■	■	■	■										
2.3	Provide copies of video, radio broadcast and publications										■					■	■								
2.4	Support dissemination activities at district level											■	■	■	■	■									
2.5	Disseminate copies of brochures											■	■	■	■	■	■								
2.6	Assess effects of dissemination in 6 districts (follow up visits)																				■	■			
3. Bankass experience disseminated at national level in Mali																									
3.1	Communicate findings to key decision makers and civil society organisations											■	■	■	■	■	■	■							
3.2	Broadcast video on national TV												■	■	■	■	■					■			
3.3	Broadcast radio programme on national radio												■	■	■	■	■								■
3.4	Publish findings as an IIED Drylands Issue paper in French													■											
3.5	Disseminate IIED Drylands Issue Paper in Mali (French)														■										
3.6	Make copies of the video, radio broadcast and publications available															■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
3.7	Assess effects of dissemination at national level through interviews																■								
4. Bankass experience disseminated outside Mali																									
4.1	Publish key lessons learned from Bankass and this project on website															■					■	■	■	■	■
4.2	Disseminate the IIED Drylands Issue Paper through IIED network																					■	■	■	■

■ activity scheduled □ activity carried out

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ANNEX 2: DETAILS OF FUNDS RECEIVED and EXCHANGE RATES

FINANCIAL REPORT

Name of Partner SAHEL ECO
Project title TREES OUTSIDE THE FOREST
Donor ref: MA395
Reporting period January 2008 to November 2009

SITUATION FUNDS RECEIVED

Stage	Approved Amount £	Amount Received FCFA	Exchange rate
Jan – March 2008	3 235	2 824 072	872,974
April - June 2008	4 968	4 127 006	830,718
July - Sept 2008	3 929	3 253 783	828,145
Oct – Dec 2008	5 937	4 552 571	766,813
Jan – Mar 2009	4 310	3 114 982	722,734
April – Nov 2009	7 825	5 555 300	709,942
Total	30 204	23 427 714	

Exchange rate calculation

Expenditure		Balance held	
FCFA	£	FCFA	£
2 824 072	3 235	-	-
4 127 006	4 968	-	-
3 253 783	3 929	-	-
4 552 571	5 937	-	-
3 114 982	4 310	-	-
5 555 300	7 825	-	-
23 427 714	30 204	-	-

Exchange rate (FIFO) 775,649 FCFA/£

The exchange rate use for this expenditure report is calculated on the basis of the actual exchange rates for funds transferred with expenditure allocated on a “first in first out” (FIFO) basis (see Annex 1).

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ANNEXE 3: PHOTOS



ABOVE: Fields in the commune of Timiniri, cleared by a farmer who has not adopted FMNR techniques. He believes that if there are many trees in the field, they attract monkeys which eat the crops.



ABOVE: Building support for FMNR from local authorities is an important part of our work. The photo on the left shows the Forestry Agent from Sio Commune visiting a field with FMNR in the village of Yourè. The photo on the right is of Mr. Boubacar Boité, Mayor of Madiama one of the 10 communes where the film was screened.