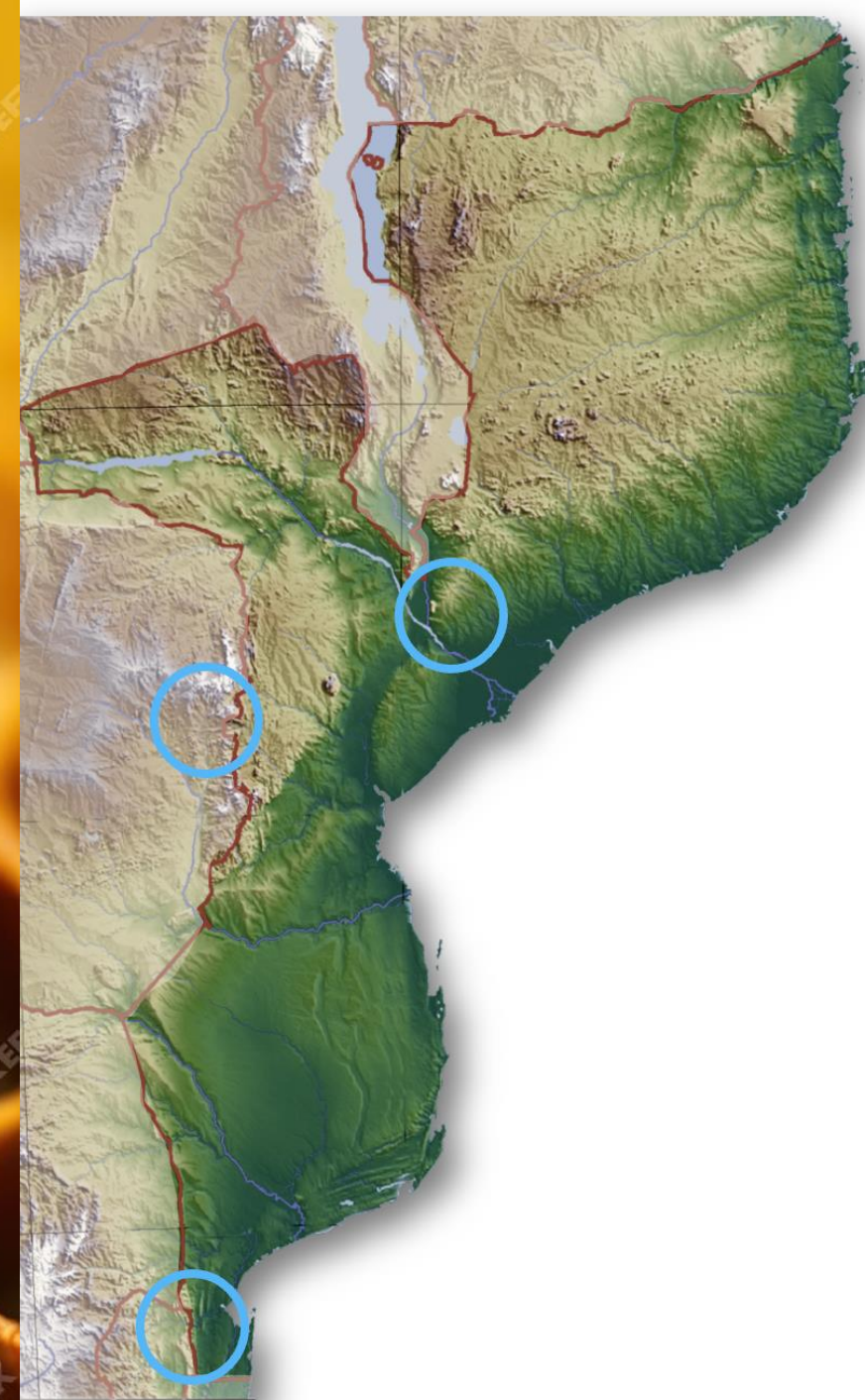


Good Practices In Beekeeping/Honey Production For Sustainable Forest Management

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1. Introduction

- **MozBio:** The Conservation Areas for Biodiversity and Development Program is an initiative of the Government of Mozambique that aims to promote biodiversity conservation, tourism development and poverty reduction;
- **The component 3:** promotion of integrated rural development compatible with conservation in target landscapes. It is on this component where has been done efforts to support communities to embrace Beekeeping as source of income and also strategy to reduce deforestation and fires as a approach of conservation;





2. Why do we need good practices in Beekeeping?

- ❑ Beekeeping is a regional tradition. Local beekeeping using bark hives and logs has long been a part of the subsistence economy of people who inhabit all the forests in the park's buffer zone;
- ❑ Recent increases in the demand for low-quality honey is driving a growing number of regional beekeepers to cut down trees and start uncontrolled fires, putting the regional Mozambican forests increasingly at risk;




2. How MozBio Support SFM through Beekeeping?

- ❑ Approaches can support and contribute for biodiversity conservation and also community development;
- ❑ Financing calls and grants for communities surrounding buffer zones of national parks;
- ❑ Support on Business plan writing;
- ❑ Training and technical assistance on Beekeeping and honey production;
- ❑ Create links between beekeepers and private sector (SME);
- ❑ Preparation of good practice manual on beekeeping and honey production **(Manual and Training)**;

3. Important Results from MozBio on Beekeeping

- ❑ 9000 hives distributed and granted almost \$650,000.00 for PECEs
- ❑ 25 PECEs+1341 PAs+8725 hives delivered;
- ❑ Protect or conserve almost 4300 hectares of indigineous forest;
- ❑ Farmers with their own brand (eg. **Sithole Honey-SH**)
- ❑ Support project on Mozambique Honey value chain to improve honey value chain regulation;
- ❑ Create a indentity of Mozambique Honey;
- ❑ Consultancy on honey key stakeholder value chain (Report);
- ❑ Created an Honey MozPortal



A close-up photograph of a bee on a honeycomb. The bee is positioned in the center, facing forward, with its head and thorax clearly visible. The honeycomb cells are a golden-yellow color and are arranged in a hexagonal pattern. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the honeycomb and the bee's legs.

3. Good practices in beekeeping/honey production for sustainable forest management

- ❑ Do not use fires to clean the area where the hives are placed;
- ❑ Place buckets of water near the area while handling hives with fire to avoid wildfires;
- ❑ Reduce slash and burn or cleaning in the hive area to the minimum necessary to reduce exposed areas;
- ❑ Restore degraded and potentially degraded areas with honey-bearing species;





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Thank You

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