

The Gods must be Crazy: Implementing a Longitudinal Study among Southern African Nomads



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Indigenous Natural Products

Devils Claw

Marula

Ximenia

**Commiphora
Resin**



The Intervention



**Natural
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**The Millennium Challenge
Account Namibia**

Natural Resource Institute

World Wildlife fund

Our Population



500 Nomadic and Semi-nomadic INP harvesters from the Himba and Saan ethnic groups

Sample Design

- Stratified single-stage random sample, with stratification by INP species.
- The frame was developed from membership lists provided by the implementers
- The sample was refreshed with an additional 200 INP households for the endline data collection



Challenges

- Sample frame challenges
- Unlocatable households
- Weather related challenges



Baseline Response Rates

- Overall, 298 interviews were completed out of 631 attempted interviews.

59.4%
Response Rate
at Baseline

Reason	%	n
Out of scope (household does not harvest/sell INPs)	20.5	129
No household member or competent respondent at home	25.4	160
Entire household absent for extended period	7	44

Endline Response Rates

- Overall, 496 interviews were completed from a target of 500. A total of 143 replacements were made.

REASON	
INELIGIBLE	2
MOVED	62
DECEASED	12
UNLOCATABLE	37
OTHER_NOT AT HOME	19
OTHER_ALREADY COMPLETED A CS INTERVIEW	1
OTHER_DUPLICATE	7
OTHER_PERSON LISTED IN ANOTHER HH	2
OTHER_UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL	1
TOTAL	143

Overall Response

Baseline Observations by INP			Panel Observations at Endline by INP		
	Freq.			Freq.	
Devil's claw	59		Devil's claw	36	
Marula	168		Marula	148	
Ximenia	69		Ximenia	60	
Total	296		Total	244	

Endline Observations by INP		
	Freq.	
Devil's claw	160	
Marula	190	
Ximenia	75	
Commiphora	71	
Total	496	