



SGP

The GEF
Small Grants
Programme



REMOVING BARRIERS FROM UPSCALING BEEKEEPING IN LESOTHO

AS A PARTICIPANT IN THE GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY (GEF) SMALL GRANTS PROGRAMME (SGP), INNOVATION PROGRAMME ON NATURE-BASED WOMEN-LED ENTERPRISES, THE UNDP GEF SGP COUNTRY PROGRAMME IN LESOTHO IS PARTNERING WITH TECHNOLOGIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (TED), A CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATION, TO CAPACITATE WOMEN IN BEEKEEPING; TARGETTING WOMEN AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES IN FIVE HOTSPOTS, NAMELY, BUTHA BUTHE, MASERU, MAFETENG, QUTHING AND QACHA'S NEK. ONE OF THE MILESTONES THUS FAR IS A SKILLS DEVELOPMENT TRAINING THAT ENTAILED TOP BAR HIVE MAKING, HIVE MANAGEMENT, DISEASE/PEST MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS MANAGEMENT.

TOP BAR HIVES & TRAP BOXES

01

200 Top bar hives and trap boxes were produced by the trainees during the training.



02

2-4 HIVES AND A TRAP BOX TO TAKE HOME

Each participant took home between 2 and 4 hives and a trap box home to continue putting their skills to practice, and test the new technology.



HIVES COLONISED

03

10 hives were colonised a week after the training and some were ready for harvesting by 18 weeks.



04

SUSTAINABLE SKILLS TRAINING

36 women and field officers from the Ministry of Forestry, Range and Soil Conservation were capacitated with new bee management skills and hive making.

