

Conservation Relief, Recovery & Resilience Facility (CRRRF)

Beneficiaries Update 3rd Quarter



On the 5th May 2020, the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT) Launched the Conservation Relief, Recovery and Resilient Facility (COVID-19 Facility). The Facility aims to provide financial relief to CBNRM institutions affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. A task Team has been appointed by the MEFT in order to ensure coordination in resource mobilisation and funds disbursal. The objective of the facility is to ensure the continuation of anti-poaching activities, mitigation of human wildlife conflict, preservation of natural resources, the management of wildlife and minimum job losses in the sector. The underlying goal is to ensure that CBNRM entities are able to weather the storm as a result of the pandemic and are in a position to recover as quickly as possible in a post COVID-19 era. At its inception the Facility aimed to provide financial relief quarterly for a period of up to one year.

The first quarter started in May 2020 and the final quarter April 2021. Key partners participating in the facility are the Environmental Investment Fund of Namibia (EIF), Namibia Association of CBNRM Support Organisations (NACSO), Community Conservation Fund of Namibia (CCFN), World Wildlife Fund Namibia (WWF), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), NedBank Namibia, Namibia Nature Foundation, B2Gold, Integrated Rural Development and Nature Conservation (IRDNC), Namibia Chamber of Environment, The Nature Conservacy (TNC), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, KfW Development Bank, Tourism Supporting Conservation Trust (TOSCO), Nyae Nyae Development Foundation of Namibia (NNDFN) and Laurie. A total amount of N\$ 6,339,168 was made towards the CRRRF second quarter disbursements to conservancies and about N\$ 5,843,976.04 towards business and SME support. The tables below illustrate funds distributed to date.

1. Disbursements to the conservancies (Q3)

Number of Conservancies paid:	Number of Conservancy Game Guards paid:	Other Staff paid:	Number of Community Management Committee members paid:	
80	702	408	406	N\$ 5,960,130.00

2. Total Disbursements to Tourism Business Enterprises, SME's and Communal conservancies between May 2020 and April 2021

Type of Entity	Total No of entities	Est. Total No. of people supported	Total Disbursements to date (NAD)
Conservancies	86	1,641	22,772,539.00
JV Lodges and community owned Campsites	35	911	12,721,687.71
SMEs and other enterprises	5	53	354,274.40
Craft Centres	2	440	484,110.00
Harvesters (Commiphora resin harvesters-Kunene Region)	1	600	485,061.00
Total	129	3,645	36,817,672.11

3. Total disbursements to other COVID-19 Mitigation Related Support (KfW funding)

Type of Entity	Total No of entities	Est. Total No. of people supported	Total Disbursements to date (NAD)
Support to Alternative Income Opportunities (Astrotourism research)	1		9,397.00
Procurement and delivery of PPE (Disposable Masks, Sanitisers, Sanitiser stands) to communal conservancies	86	Approx. 152, 000	2,155,714.03
Production and Delivery of Reusible masks and buffs to communal conservancies			
Emergency support towards the Construction of the predator-proof Hobatere Concession Boundary Fence along the Western Boundary of Etosha National Park (#Koadi //hoas and Ehi-rovipuka conservancies)	of 2	16	1,138,590.40
Construction of Predator-Proof kraals in Puros and Doro Nawas conservancies	2	10	73,983.10
Support to Implementation of the COVID-19 related measures to NASCO Secretariat, working groups and field-based NGOs	5		1,967,960.00
Total	96	152,026	5,345,644.53





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