



Stove demonstration during the training workshop



Forest saving stove demonstration



A cross section of participants at the fuel efficient stoves training workshop



Potters with Forest saving stoves



Potters with Forest Saving stoves on mount Cameroon

## ICENECDEV & WATERLOO FOUNDATION UK

### Building Forest Saving Stoves on Mount Cameroon Forest Region Supported by The Waterloo Foundation UK

ICENECDEV implemented a 1-day training workshop of community based organization, youth groups, women association and farmers groups on building forest saving stoves with the goal to reduce the rate of deforestation on the mount Cameroon forest region, contributing to climate change. This project was financially supported by **The Waterloo Foundation UK.**

The project was implemented in phases.

1. Training workshop on building forest saving stoves
2. Installation of Forest saving stoves on Mount Cameroon
3. Tree planting in mount Cameroon villages
4. Outreach education through environmental clubs in schools and communities.



Group picture of participants



Mountain Stove installation



Tree planting at Bonakanda village



Students demonstrating on how to use local materials to build mud fuel efficient stoves.



Building Mud fuel efficient stoves



Group picture of environmental club members with mud fuel efficient stoves

**Impacts:**

1. The workshop provided skills and knowledge on Fuel Efficient Stoves production (Forest saving stoves) to the women groups, youth groups and community based organization.
2. Raise awareness on the importance of forest saving stoves among 53 community -based organization and women groups in the mount Cameroon forest region.
2. Established partnership with community based organization (WECONS), Bee farmers and Fuel

efficient stoves designers to promote forest conservation practices (Ecotourism,

Agroforestry, Fuel Efficient Stoves and Beekeeping)

**LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE PROJECT**

1. There is need for a long term approach and continuity required in order to create sustainability on forest conservation .Time is necessary in order for the conservation effort to succeed that is to be actively supported by the local community. Frequent visits to the project site are necessary to know what goes on in the community and to gain trust of the local people which require a lot of time and effort.

2. Enforcement: The lack of law enforcement is a major problem for biodiversity conservation on mount Cameroon. The forest of Cameroon is protected by national law of forestry and wildlife enacted on 20<sup>th</sup> January 1994. This project intends to inform local communities about this and encourage them to work together with other civil society organizations and related stakeholders.

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