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BENEFITS IN BAMUNU

There is a brand new tractor outside the conservancy office, where the Indunas have gathered to discuss village issues. Bamunu values the advice of its elders, and has decided to invest its income from conservation hunting in projects that will benefit the community.



Electricity is top of the list. Since 2013 the conservancy has invested well over half a million Namibia dollars in electricity transformers for 6 villages. They are connected by the power utility NORED and people have to pay for their own household connection.

A power outlet in a traditional mud walled house can make all the difference. Television brings news from the outside world; a freezer can keep meat and fish safe to eat; and students can do their homework by electric light.



Another bright idea was to invest in the tractor, trailer and mower. Not only can the tractor plough the fields of Bamunu's farmers, it is intended to hire the mower out to do contract work, cutting the grass by the roadsides and earning money for the conservancy.

Zambezi Region's conservancies are moving away from cash benefits to residents, and instead investing their income in social projects that benefit whole communities.



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