

Can cultural values associated with turacos be used to enhance biodiversity conservation in Cameroon?

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL 1 Questionnaire on the cultural uses of turacos *Tauraco* spp. in Tofala Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, south-west Cameroon.

Respondent consent

This questionnaire is elaborated for strictly an academic purpose and the responses are to be used for a master's program research thesis in the University of Dschang. Although your responses are of the utmost importance to us, your participation in this survey is entirely voluntary. You are free to withdraw at any time. Your responses will be treated in a confidential manner according to article 5 of law n°91/023 of 16 December 1991 which states that "economic or financial information obtained during interviews meant for academic purposes can in no way be used to undertake financial control or to impose sanctions".

Section A: Background information

1. Gender: male female

2. Age group: less than 20 21-40 41-60 61 and above

3. Village : Bechati Besali Bangang Fossimondi

4. Main occupation: farmer hunter trader traditional healer

Other (specify).....

5. Level of education: None FSL O/L A/L University

Section B: Knowledge of different turaco species

To facilitate identification of the different turaco species in the area, photographs will be presented to respondents.

6. Do you know the turacos on the photo? Yes No

7. Can you identify them by name? Yes No

8. Have you ever seen one? Yes No

9. If yes, specify the locality (ies).....

10. How many individuals did you see? One two many

11. How long have you stayed without seeing anyone? Less than a year

1-5 years 6-10 years 11 years and above

12. Why?.....

13. According to you, how is the population trend of turacos? Reducing increasing

stable

14. Why?.....

15. Have you ever hunted any turaco? Yes No

16. If yes, how many? One two many

17. Why?

18. What is the main threat affecting turacos?

19. Why?.....

Section C: cultural uses of turacos

- 20. According to you, what are turacos used for?
- 21. Why?
- 22. Which groups/categories of people highly use turacos? Chiefs/notables, hunters, farmers, traders, others (specify).....
- 23. Reason?.....
- 24. In your area is there any local law that controls the utilization of turacos? Yes No
- 25. If yes what does the law stipulate
- 26. Is the law respected? Yes No

Section D: Attitudes and perception toward turacos and their habitat

- 27. Do you think it is important to conserve turacos and their habitats? Yes No
- 28. Why?.....
- 29. Will you be willing to join a project to conserve turacos and their habitats? Yes No
- 30. Why?.....