

Project Update: November 2015

As part of the on-going project 'Improving the livelihoods of the rural poor around Bia Conservation Area through beekeeping for honey production', the project beneficiaries have been supplied with the needed inputs to enable them start beekeeping for honey production. A short handing-over ceremony was held on 27th October 2015 at the headquarters of Bia Conservation Area to give away 60 beehives, one honey extractor and other accessories. During the ceremony, Mr Richard Ofori-Amanfo, the park manager of Bia Conservation Area, expressed appreciation to Rufford Foundation for their support and advised the beneficiaries to work diligently for the full realisation of the project goals. Mr Richard Gyamfi Boakye, the project coordinator, also explained to the beneficiaries the rationale behind the project and entreated them to take good care of the items and to add on to the support being given them. The beneficiaries expressed great excitement and appreciation.



Left: A beehive being handed over by Mr Richard Boakye to Mary Arthur, a project beneficiary from Asuopiri Community. Right: A group photo of project beneficiaries and the coordinator around the project inputs.



Left: Some women beneficiaries in a pose with the honey extractor procured from the US to enhance honey processing. Right: The project coordinator helping some beneficiaries to load their beehives unto a waiting vehicle to cart them to their communities.



Left: The beehives for the beneficiaries during the construction stage. Right: A section of the beneficiaries seated at the ceremony and being advised to work diligently.