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The selection process of the prospective beneficiaries was concluded in May 2015 and followed with the training from 2nd to 6th June 2015. Thirty participants, which comprised of 24 males and six females, were trained. A beekeeping consultant, Dr Michael K. Adjaloo, from Technology Consultancy Center at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology carried out the training. He took the participants through baiting techniques, hive management, positioning of beehives, benefits of beekeeping, and precautionary measures when visiting a beehive. There were practical sessions where participants were taken through equipment handling. The consultant also demonstrated how to straighten the beehive cover, how to trim the top bars of the beehive and how to construct a hive. Participants were also visited an apiary of a beekeeper for familiarisation. The training was successful, and participants have been well equipped to start the beekeeping project. Two radio programmes were carried out.



Left: Group photo of trainees, consultant team members. Right: Dr Adjaloo demonstrating how to position a beehive during the course of the training.



Left: A participant taken through how to wear a bee suit. Right: The Park Manager of Bia Conservation Area giving a welcome address just before a start of the programme.



Left: The consultant demonstrating how to handle a bee smoker. Right: The visit of the trainees to an apiary to observe colonized beehives