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Major activities done in 2008 were to identify the focus villages, key stakeholders, potential educators and traditional leader's identification, convene a formal meeting with key partners and establishment of village environmental committees. At the beginning of 2009, we managed to conduct a village forum and a traditional song and dance competition on issues of environmental conservation and management. During the village forum, the meeting was organized, traditional leaders and keen old chaps selected to share their experience on environmental degradation. Pertinent issues such as El-Nino, prolonged drought, soil erosion and wildlife loss and their mitigation measures were discussed together at length. We also arranged for traditional songs and dances competitions and traditional leaders together with project educators selected the best three groups and were rewarded £86 each to be used for groups development. The sessions were very well attended by the villagers and we hope the message on environmental conservation and management went through and we also hope to see the environment being improved for economic development.

