

## **Natural Assets**

All eight villages commented on impacts on natural assets. Some of the comments were about creation of new assets (e.g. "Project supplies seedlings & techniques to grow rattan & huong bai") or changes in the quality of natural assets through replacement of existing crops by higher value NTFPs ("Rattan and huong bai can replace poorly producing crops like tre hop bamboo and cassava") described as "land saving" because they return a higher value per unit of land.

A surprising 84% of the natural assets hits are about impacts on forest conservation made possible by the NTFP models and activities. This finding might seem "too good to be true" if it were not for the fact that the content of comments from widely separated sources triangulate well with other types of data, crke tre



