## **Community Development and Conservation Portfolio**

## **Our focus**

Putting local communities and forest adjacent communities at the heart of conservation of the Eastern Arc Mountains Ecosystem through economic empowerment, improvement of rural livelihoods and social welfare.

Who do we support?

EAMCEF supports the Government of Tanzania. We support Community Development, Biodiversity Conservation and Applied Research Projects, which promote the biological diversity, ecological functions and sustainable use of natural resources in the Eastern Arc Mountains of Tanzania.

## How do we do?

The EAMCEF channel project grants to support community-based small-medium scale income generating activities which link well with forest conservation, such as; beekeeping activities, production of biogas from animal wastes, butterfly farming, soil and water conservation agriculture, awareness activities and conservation education, fish farming practices, adoption of locally made fuel wood energy efficient stoves, horticulture farming, land use planning, livestock keeping (dairy goats, dairy cows, pigs and poultry), spice tree farming, sunflower farming for oil production, soya beans farming, mushroom farming and tree planting activities for business

## What do we do?

We support implementation of alternative livelihood activities and environmentally friendly initiatives key to reducing total dependency on forest products thus  $reducing the {\it rate}\, of defore station and forest degradation$ across the Eastern Arc Mountains Ecosystem.

We promote active participation of local communities through development of forest-based incentives, promotion of benefit sharing mechanisms, comanagement of government protected areas, and ecotourism activities.



















