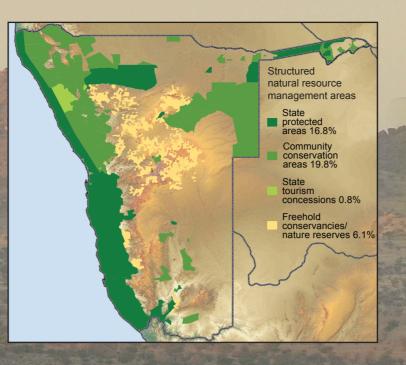
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... means practising legally-entrenched community-based natural resource management under the guidance of a formal, national-level CBNRM programme. Communal conservancies, community forests and other community conservation organisations are officially registered entities with legal rights to manage the natural resources under their defined jurisdiction. Rural Namibians are empowered to govern their own environmental affairs, and the generated returns flow directly to communities.





over 163,396 km<sup>2</sup> covered by community conservation

about 175,000 people living in community conservation areas

about N\$ 72.16 million in cash income and in-kind benefits generated for local communities through community conservation

sectors generating the returns were: tourism and craft sales with about N\$ 33.62 million sustainable game use with about N\$ 32.20 million indigenous plant products with about N\$ 5.40 million and miscellaneous income of about N\$ 0.94 million

wildlife, plants, fish and other resources are being sustainably managed across large areas of land through conservation partnerships, enabling healthy environments

The Namibian CBNRM Programme is based on strong partnerships between the Namibian government, international donor agencies, local and international NGOs, the private sector and community conservation organisations





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