**-Location/site: Mantasoa**

**Date, time: 29/08/2019; 16:05**

**Interviewer (initials): FJR 06 (with LMV)**

**-Length of interview: 15:00mn**

**-individual/multiple: Individual**

**-social group: young**

**-disabled: No**

**- Age: 30**

**-gender: male**

**Specific circumstance/observations:**

**Felana** and Leonnie: Hello!

**Man**: hello!

**Leonnie**: we want to discuss a bit with you

**Man**: ok, you can start

**Leonnie**: I am Leonnie ans she is Felana, we are a student from Antananarivo and we are here to conduct some interview about the impact of the environment change on the life, the well-being, the hobbies, the source of incomes…. So we want your opinion, we was already discuss with some people but we see that you work with nature so it‘s different from the over then we need your opinion. If it is possible.

**Man**: Work with nature, I don’t understand what you mean?

**Leonnie**: we are a student and we conduct interview about the impact of the environment change on the people life such on their hobbies, on their source of income, on their cultural…

**Felana**: In another way, the environment give us a good services on our hobbies, on our soure of income but now, the environment can be have a change so what are the impact of this on your life.

For exemple, in Andasibe, the people do rituals with the tree. So the environment gives them a service. Later, this special tree is include in the protected area. Then, if they want to make ritual, it is not like before, they have to take ask for authorization from the protected area responsible.

So, we want to ask something like that in Mantasoa, like here, many people are fishing in the lake for many, but now the level of water is very low then it has an impact on their source of income

**Man**: okey, so you want to ask me if “brique” can ensure our subsistence and if we can also having fun?

**Felana**: with environment, what is the most important for you? For exemple, for you is the soil is important because you can have many with it or the forest because when we take a rest we went there, or ….

**Man**: okey, the soil, because during the brick making season, we make bricks

**Leonnie**: There are seasons for that?

**Man**: yes, August, September and October, it's only 3 months in Mantasoa.

**Felana**: So far is this period maintained?

**Man**: This hasn't changed yet because here in Mantasoa, there is a lot of forest and rain so this is the only dry period to do so.

**Felana**: It hasn't changed then, it's always dry at this time.

**Man**: it depends, for example this year we could start at the end of August.

**Felana**: there was a bit of delay then

**Man**: Yes, while we have to finish it in October, because we will have to plant rice from November on the same spot. So we have to follow the seasons, we can't do it at any time.

**Leonnie**: Before, was it possible to have this dry period in July?

**Man**: It depends on the climate, but it might even start in June. Here in Mantasoa, there is a lot of rain because of the presence of the primary forest on the eastern part and also the Eucalyptus trees, so it's in August, September and October that it's really dry. In November we start to prepare the rice field for the planting of rice.

**Felana**: Have you had any problems with rice farming?

**Man**: No, there is no flooding here because we have a big lake.

**Felana**: How long have you practiced all these activities?

**Man**: Since then, our grandfather started it.

**Leonnie**: Was it always productive? There was no change?

**Man**: Only in 2015 we had a period of severe drought, but we even produced rice.

**Leonnie**: What do you know about this drought?

**Man**: I don't really know, maybe it's due to the destruction of the forest, but it was all Madagascar that experienced this period. It was during this period that there was a drop in rice yield.

**Leonnie**: What was the impact of this drop in yield or of climate change?

**Man**: First of all, the price of rice on the market went up to 2500 Ar per kilo.

**Leonnie**: Maybe it's due to the destruction of the forest then?

**Man**: Yes, maybe because of the burning of the forest because in the eastern part of the country many people grow on paddy field garden.

**Leonnie**: What is the impact of all this especially on you, does it make you angry or other?

Man: I don't have an opinion on that, the specialists have ideas on that.

**Felana** : No it's not an idea but really what you feel ?

**Man** : But everything is back to the way it used to be, it was just during this period of severe drought that there was a change. If you want to stay here between January and February bring a big coat...

**Leonnie**: Is it really cold?

**Man**: Yes, with light rain. It's hot and dry right now. And we don't have a problem with water, there's plenty of it.

**Felana and Leonnie**: Ok, thank you very much!