**Location/Site: Menalamba, Mangarivotra**

**Date: 04/09/2019**

**Time: 8:06 a.m.**

**Interviewer: VLM 17**

**Duration of the interview: 32min**

**Individual/Multiple: Individual**

**Age: 54**

**Sex: Male**

**Special Circumstances :**

I work in traditional medicine

For me the most important thing is the drill, it's my whole life. Hunting, gathering, we've been doing it with my family for a long time, as a traditional practitioner, the forest offers us miracle cures for all kinds of diseases that science doesn't cure.

Uh well! if we want to talk about the forest, it has become difficult to find medicinal plants because the losses are important because of logging and logging. On the other hand, it is forbidden to enter and cut in protected areas (Torotorofotsy site).

The changes I have noticed in recent years are first of all life is becoming difficult, and the rate of agricultural production is declining from one year to the next. Six years ago, I could look for 30 varieties of plants in the forest in one hour. But now I can barely find 10 varieties in the same time.

This difficulty is due to the exploitation and destruction of the forest, and of course this has an impact on the economic life as well as the health, because most of life depends on it and now the forest is totally in danger. The population is becoming more and more fragile and I believe that diseases due to the increase in temperature are frequent. What's more, the forest is no longer there to treat them. The danger is imminent in the future, because I know that if the forest is no longer there, we disappear too, it is a very sad circumstance.