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WHV – Koutammakou

◆ Koutammakou, the Land of the Batammariba, Nadoba, Togo

This year, volunteers worked under the theme of sustainability of Koutammakou. In the region, there are traditional housing called *tatas*, mud tower-houses whose outside walls must be restore after every rainy season. To make preservations of Tata more sustainable, volunteers planted Nere trees, a type of tree crucial for restoring the walls of *tatas*.

In this process, local communities, especially farmers and young students, were actively involved. Local farmers helped various farming works such as weeding and planting of seeds. After, volunteers protected them with plant-protectors, and installed signs to inhibit people from stepping on the new trees.



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Furthermore, volunteers learned about site's history and importance by watching a documentary about the region. After, they invited villagers and organized discussion regarding WH such as tourism and development. For children, volunteers also created workshops. As a result, volunteers could raise awareness about the importance of the Koutammakou WH site.

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Sources: for the description of the World Heritage site: UNESCO World Heritage List, <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list>

For the description of the activities: www.whvolunteers.org and www.ccivs.org