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**Survey Design**

The purpose of the survey was to collect socio-economic characteristics of respondents, e.g. income, livelihood activities, gender, household size, literacy level, asset holding, and specific uses of forest resources under the current forest management. The survey was conducted with a sample of adults (male and female, 18-65 years old) randomly selected from six rural villages in Mangochi District in Malawi. Participants for each village were chosen from a list of households compiled with the help of village members. We employed a stratified random sampling method at village level and selected people based on gender, age, and wealth status.