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Creating value for traditional beekeeping (designing honey presser and bee suit) in Jabal Marrah Western Sudan

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Traditional beekeepers from Jabl Marrah Mountains in western Sudan were trained to produce hygiene honey from their traditional straw log hives in 2013 by the trainer Sabah Abdelwahab in Bendisi, and another group were trained in Golo area for production of honey from clay pot hives in 2019. Honey bees (*Apis mellifera*) is naturally available in the area, climate is suitable for bees activities, there is water and cultivated lands available, different good bee forage plants available almost all over the year, traditional beekeeping one of the important activities in the area.

the population in Golg area is around 75000 families which about 525000 persons, were lived in 153 villages.

the honey production per clay pot hive is about 25 kilograms.

The production were sold in the capital of Sudan in clean and attractive containers with different size, which more profitably with 40 percentage than the price in the local area.

Note: Photos are available.