

THE MECHANICS OF THE NATURAL RESOURCE CURSE

Information and Local Elite Behavior in Mozambique

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Goals

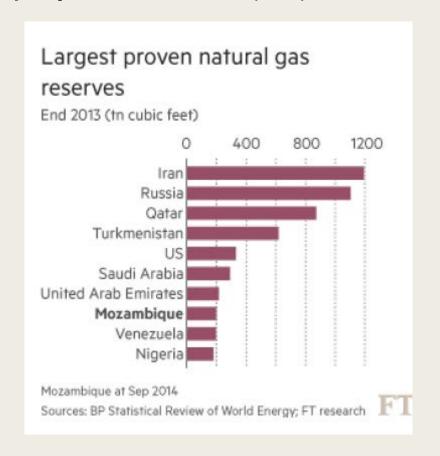
- General: Evaluate the impact of policies that inform and engage the local communities after the discovery of natural resources, i.e., involving the local communities in the management of natural resources;
- In the process: understand how information can be provided to the communities and how to manage expectations in face of a substantial discovery;
- Test known theoretical mechanisms of the natural resource curse at the local level;
- **■** Through the evaluation of different interventions:
- Information targeting the local elite;
- Information targeting the local elite and the communities;
- Information targeting the local elite and the communities + deliberation sessions.

Literature

- Negative relation between natural resource exports and GDP growth, which depends on quality of institutions (Sachs and Warner 1995, Mehlum et al. 2006);
- Mechanisms:
- Dutch Disease (Corden and Neary 1982);
- Decentralized move towards rent-seeking activities (Tornell and Lane 1999);
- Centralized/political resource curse: politicians move towards inefficient policies in the hope of maintaining power (Robinson et al. 2006);
- Pollution may trigger negative effects at the local level in Ghana (Aragon and Rud 2016)
- Small effect of oil windfalls on municipal investment in Brazil (Caselli and Michaels 2009);
- After the discovery of oil reserves in São Tomé and Príncipe: vote-buying (Vicente 2010) and the creation of a National Forum (Humphreys, Masters and Sandbu 2006).

Why Cabo Delgado, Mozambique?

- Substantial discoveries of natural gas in the period 2011-2014, with the potential to transform Mozambique into a global player in natural gas
- Growth predicted at 24% per year 2021-2025 (IMF)



Why Cabo Delgado, Mozambique?

ANADARKO ENCOMENDOU PROJECTO PARA UNIDADE DE

PROCESSAMENTO DE GÁS EM CABO DELGADO

Categoria: Arquivo1 Escrito por Edmundo Galiza Matos

Galp Energia: Exploração em Moçambique é "maior projecto de gás do mundo"



Um consórcio em partes iguais constitu e JGC Corp foi contratado pela Anadarl A exploração de gás natural na província de Cabo Delgado, em Moçambique, "é Limitada para a elaboração do projecto processamento de gás natural em Moçi o maior projecto de gás do mundo em [fase de] gestação", afirmou o presidente divulgado em Irving pelo grupo Fluor Cda Galp Energia, Manuel Ferreira de Oliveira, esta quarta-feira em Lisboa.

A unidade ficará será construída na pro 2000 quilómetros a norte da capital de cujo mar se localiza o bloco petrolífero Moçambique Area 1, subsidiária do gru Anadarko Petroleum, funciona como or De acordo com o comunicado, o contra



Why Cabo Delgado, Mozambique?

RESERVAS DE GRAFITE EM BALAMA, CABO DELGADO, EXCEDEM AS DO RESTO DO MUNDO

Categoria: Arquivo1 Visitas: 4063



A empresa mineira australiana Syrah Resources rede toneladas os recursos em grafite existentes no de Balama, bem como 2,7 milhões de toneladas de acordo com um comunicado divulgado segunda-fei

No documento, a empresa australiana adianta que existentes naquela concessão mineira em Moçambi mundiais de grafite, que no final de 2012 se situav toneladas, de acordo com o Departamento de Geol América.

"A Syrah pretende fazer com que Balama seja o m grafite a um preço baixo, ultrapassando a China, co expansão um produto de elevada qualidade", pode

Mais rubis descobertos em Montepuez

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Mustang Resources encontrou mais 19 pedras

A australiana Mustang Resources descobriu um novo depósito de rubis em Montepuez, província de Cabo Delgado, na sequência da recolha de amostras em diversos pontos da concessão, informou a empresa em comunicado, citado pela Macauhub.

Information provided

- What are natural resources and the importance of its sustainable exploration;
- Resources available in Cabo Delgado;
- Detailed description of the discovery of natural gas in the province:
- What is natural gas? Who discovered it?
- Extraction plans
- Initial investment requirements;
- Benefits that the communities can expect;
- Legal environment simplified.

Institutional support

- Provincial Government of Cabo Delgado;
- Aga Khan Foundation;
- **EITI** Extractive Industry Transparency Initiative;
- UPC Provincial Farmers' Union Cabo Delgado;
- Catholic University of Mozambique;
- Cristian Council of Mozambique;
- Islamic Council;
- Newspaper @Verdade;
- ASPACADE Association of the Paralegals in Cabo Delgado.

CAPACITAÇÕES SOBRE RECURSOS NATURAIS

Em colaboração com:



















Information to the leader

- Individual training with the leader;
- Visual support: images and pictures;
- Delivery of a flyer with the main messages;
- Questions & answers session.



Local chief receiving the training.

Information to the leader and the community

- Community and leader training through a village meeting;
- Invitations previously distributed to the members of community committees and general population;
- Visual support: images and pictures.



Community receiving the training.

Information to the leader and the community

- Community theatre family discussing the discovery of natural gas after hearing the news through the radio;
- Delivery of a flyer with the main messages;
- Questions & answers session.



Flyer being distributed.

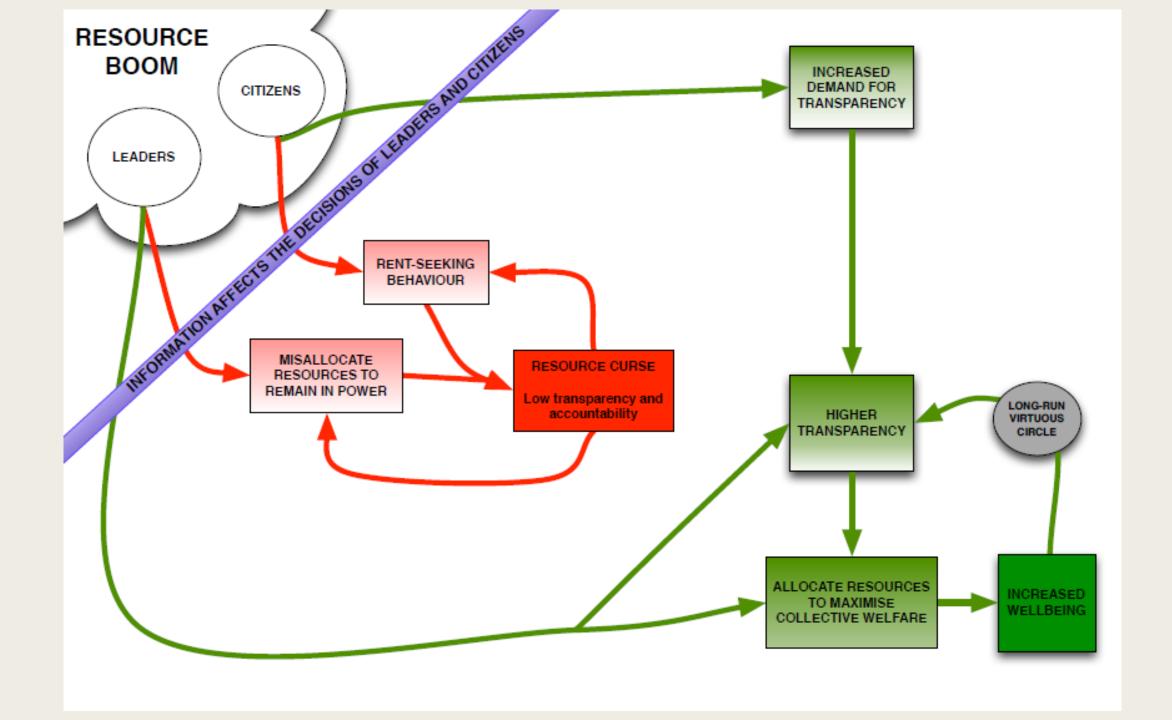
Deliberation session

- Immediately after the training to the leader and the community;
- Creation of small work groups (5-10 elements each);
- Goal: name and order the top 3 priorities for investment in the community;
- Results of the deliberations will be handed to the district administrator and provincial government.



Discussion in a deliberation group.

Theory of change

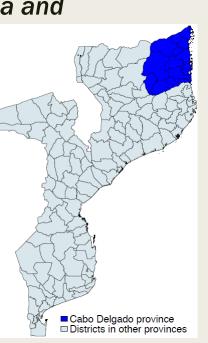


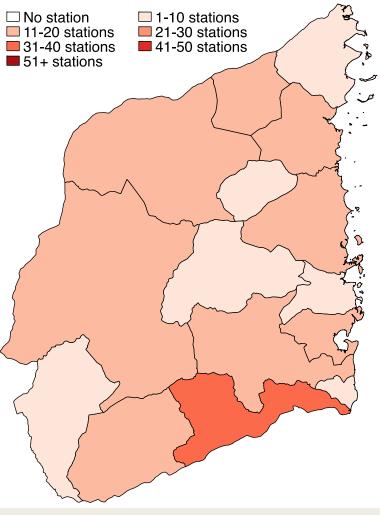
Methodology

- Randomized controlled trial (RCT);
- Allows for the identification of a causal relation between the tested interventions and economic and social outcomes;
- **■** 200 sampled communities were randomly allocated to one group:
- Group of information to the leader (50 communities);
- Group of information to the leader and to the community (50 communities);
- Group of information to the leader and to the community + deliberation sessions (50 communities);
- Control group (50 communities).

Sampling

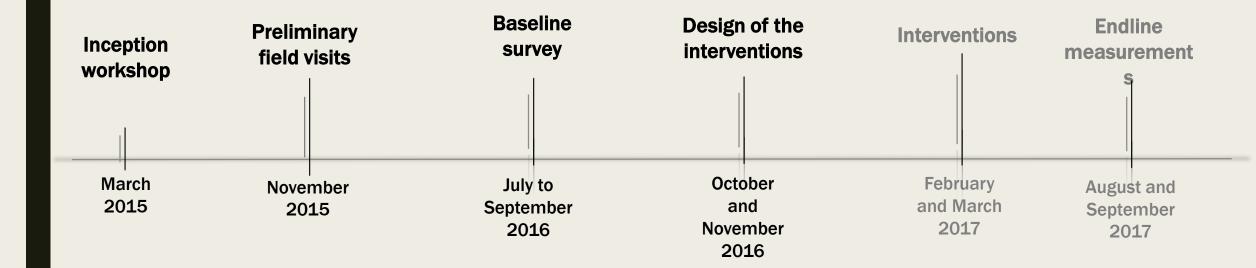
- Inclusion of all districts of the Cabo Delgado Province (excluding Ibo district);
- Random selection of 200 polling stations (and its corresponding communities), stratified by:
- 12 urban communities (cities of Pemba and Montepuez)
- 23 semi-urban communities
- 165 rural communities





Number of sampled polling stations per district.

Timeline



Baseline survey

- Survey conducted to 10 representative households within each community:
- Demographic characteristics and household composition;
- Knowledge about natural resources;
- Aspirations and expectations about the future;
- Social capital and community engagement;
- Similar survey conducted to each village leader;
- Community survey:
- Infrastructure;
- Existence of resources;
- Social structure.

Household head characteristics

	All	Rural	Semi-urban	Urban
Female	0.25	0.23	0.30	0.44
	[0.43]	[0.42]	[0.46]	[0.50]
Age	44.84	44.68	46.49	44.21
	[16.29]	[16.29]	[16.80]	[15.43]
HH size	5.67	5.61	5.99	5.89
	[3.11]	[3.15]	[2.85]	[2.95]
Education	3.82	3.56	4.38	6.29
	[3.39]	[3.12]	[3.87]	[4.62]
Monthly income	5029.98	4623.33	5824.98	8854.44
	[9915.52]	[9813.02]	[9747.95]	[10614.76]
Observations	2070	1710	220	140

Note: The values are means. Standard deviations in brackets.

Leader characteristics

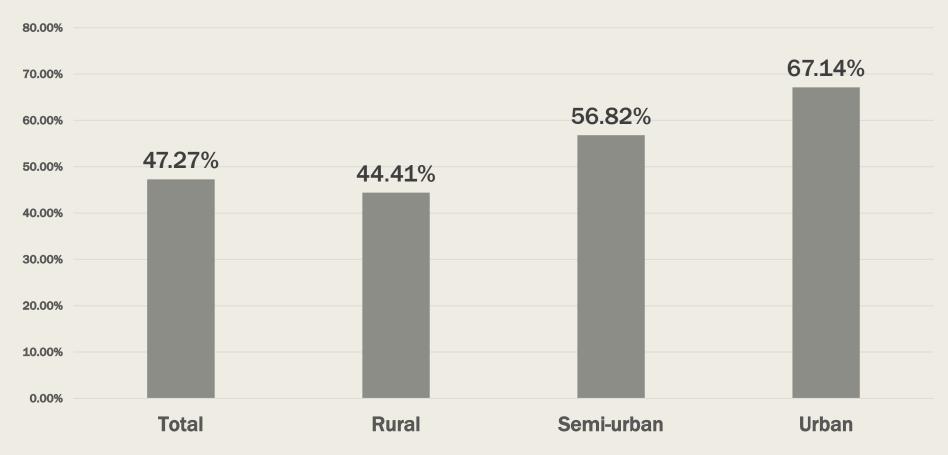
	All	Rural	Semi-urban	Urban
Female	0.04	0.02	0.05	0.31
	[0.20]	[0.13]	[0.22]	[0.48]
Age	53.93	53.34	56.76	56.85
	[9.96]	[10.25]	[9.31]	[5.44]
HH size	6.7	6.52	7.71	7.23
	[3.60]	[3.65]	[2.72]	[4.04]
Education	5.70	5.37	6.57	8.46
	[2.78]	[2.72]	[2.27]	[2.63]
Monthly income	3456.15	2470.76	6385.62	11230.77
	[7027.14]	[2452.66]	[13847.04]	[17864.79]
Years as leader	9.00	9.47	7.48	5.30
	[9.67]	[9.80]	[9.65]	[7.28]
Observations	199	165	21	13

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Village characteristics

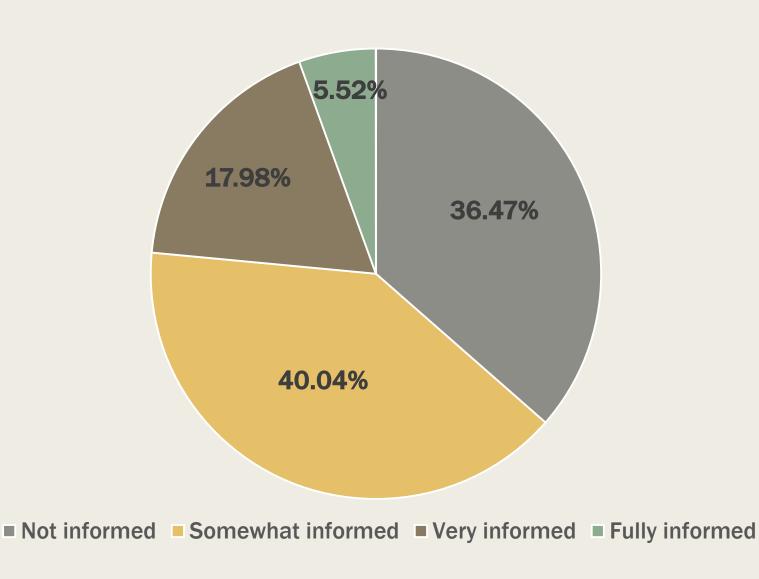
Infrastructure	Percentage
Kindergarten	21.74%
Primary School	97.58%
Lower secondary school	85.02%
High School	8.21%
Health centre	27.05%
Facilitator	65.05%
Water pump	61.84%
Market	59.90%
Police Station	14.49%
Church, mosque, temple	98.07%
Room for community activities	57.49%
Electricity	23.19%
Sewage	6.76%

Heard about natural gas?

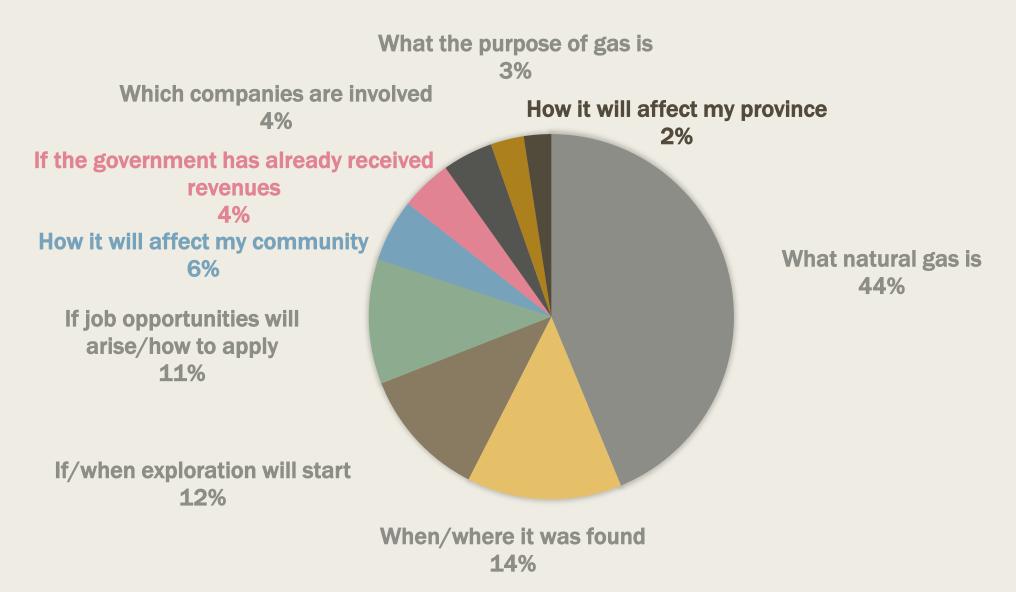


Leaders tend to be more informed (83%)

Is there demand for information?



Types of information demanded



What drives knowledge among villagers?

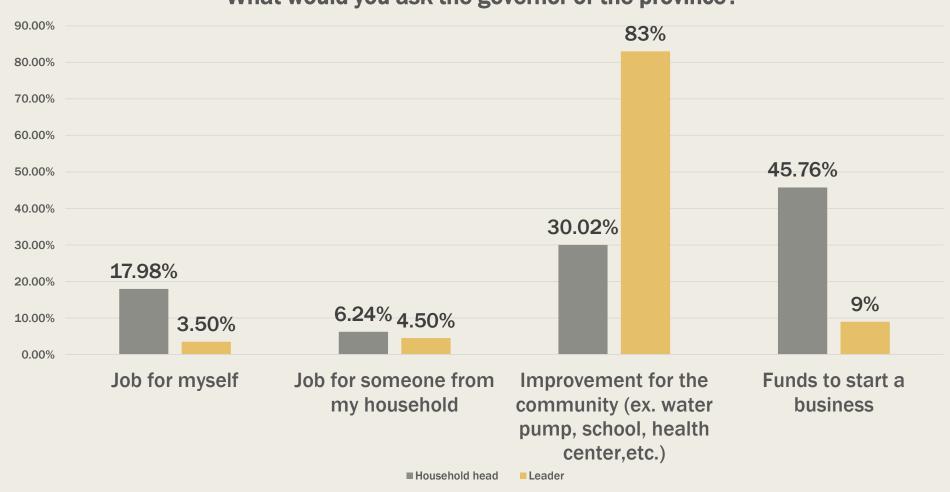
	Responde	Respondent heard about the natural gas discovery			
	OLS	OLS	OLS	OLS	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
Female respondent	-0.191***	-0.191***	-0.184***	-0.153***	
	[0.024]	[0.024]	[0.024]	[0.026]	
Age in years	0.002***	0.002***	0.002***	0.002***	
	[0.001]	[0.001]	[0.001]	[0.001]	
Household size	0.012***	0.012***	0.011***	0.009***	
	[0.003]	[0.003]	[0.003]	[0.003]	
Primary education	0.112***	0.111***	0.100***	0.077***	
	[0.022]	[0.022]	[0.022]	[0.024]	
Secondary or higher education	0.386***	0.382***	0.368***	0.341***	
	[0.038]	[0.038]	[0.039]	[0.041]	
Income (in thousands)	0.002**	0.002**	0.001*	0.002**	
	[0.001]	[0.001]	[0.001]	[0.001]	
Semi-urban	0.037	0.035	0.032	0.014	
	[0.032]	[0.032]	[0.031]	[0.030]	
Urban	0.215***	0.211***	0.231***	0.247***	
	[0.069]	[0.068]	[0.067]	[0.067]	
District dummies	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	
Observations	2032	2017	1999	1688	
R-squared	0.338	0.339	0.348	0.384	

What drives knowledge among villagers?

	Respondent heard about the natural gas discovery			
	OLS	OLS	OLS	OLS
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
General trust		-0.046**	-0.040**	-0.026
		[0.020]	[0.020]	[0.020]
Knows high level official/influential person			0.074***	0.076***
			[0.021]	[0.022]
Knows religious leaders			0.015	0.000
			[0.024]	[0.026]
Knows community leaders			0.026	0.014
			[0.022]	[0.025]
Active member or leader in a group				0.111***
				[0.021]
Attitude towards bribes				-0.013
				[0.023]
Public funds go to influencial people				0.010
				[0.019]
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Anticipating deliberations

What would you ask the governor of the province?



Preliminary results - summary

- Lack of information about natural resources among citizens (less so among leaders); simple information is demanded;
- Knowledge about natural resources discovery is closely related to demographic characteristics (gender, age, education, income) and geography;
- Individuals that participate actively in village groups and organizations and that have stronger ties with local leaders show better knowledge about natural resources;
- Leaders show preference for community improvements while citizens prefer to have funds to start a business.

Endline measurements - survey

- August and September 2017;
- **■** Endline survey to the same 10 targeted respondents per village;
- **■** Endline survey conducted to the community leaders;
- **■** Community survey;
- All three questionnaires similar to the baseline.

Endline measurements – behavioral activities

- Behavioral measurement of **leaders**' outcomes:
- Dictator game to measure willingness to share resources with local citizens;
- Trust game;
- Structured community activities (SCAs):
 - a. Utilization of a gift for the community handed to the leader
 - b. Appointments of citizens aimed at specific tasks (IQ test)
 - c. Auction for participating to a lunch with province-level party representatives versus agricultural training

Endline measurements – behavioral activities

- **■** Behavioral measurement of **villagers**' outcomes:
- Trust game;
- Public good game to measure social cohesion;
- Structured community activities (SCAs):
 - a. Citizens' propensity to contribute to matching grants;
 - b. Meeting to measure community participation and involvement;
 - c. Village-level auction to participate in a lunch with province-level party representatives versus agricultural training

Concluding remarks

- Surprisingly strong support at the province level for the project;
- Clear perception that this type of project enables increasing bargaining power of provincial authorities in the national arena, in a context of uncertain regional benefits;
- **■** Preliminary results from baseline: clear demand for information by the citizens;
- Demand by the local government (district and province level) to receive and disseminate information about future plans;
- Positive feedback from the communities participating in the trainings and deliberation sessions, with large audiences attending the meetings;
- Results of the impact evaluation expected by the beginning of 2018: stay tuned!