APPENDIX 2: Situation of Ñinpelima RM among Torodi's RMs

According to the studies conducted in the Household Energy Project, the rural council of Torodi supplied more than 40% of Niamey firewood (Groupement Seed - CTFT 1991). Among the 62 rural markets (RMs) of Torodi, 18 supply 70% of the firewood going to Niamey (Fig A2.1). Kankani, Mossipaga, Niaktiré and Ñinpelima are among the first RMs created in Niger. RM ledgers have only been properly completed in Ñinpelima and Kankani since their establishment. Some irregularities excepted, taxes have been routinely collected in these RMs.

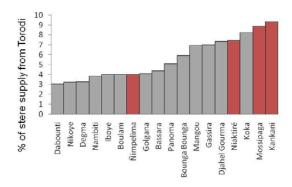


Figure A2.1: Part of firewood supplied by the 18 most productive RMs (Source: traffic survey, Gesforcom project)

Ninpelima RM is located at moderate distance from Niamey, and thus, forest resources have not been overexploited as this is the case in the areas surrounding Niamey. Nevertheless, the RM is active, unlike some distant RMs which are practically inaccessible to wood traders.