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Cashew nut farmers in Wenchi, Brong Ahafo Region participate in a training course emphasising the value of beekeeping and pollination

Image provided by Arno Bos, Managing Director, Cashew Trade Centre Ghana

TURKEY

Beekeepers in Turkey have been dealing with the financial burden of bears destroying their hives: "Bears are known to enjoy honey and also will eat the bees and larvae inside a hive. Some beekeepers tried hanging their hives high up in trees, others used electric fencing: nothing worked! However, through the Agricultural Insurance Pool, a government supported scheme, we will now be reimbursed. TRY175 (US\$65; €61) for each hive lost to a hungry bear", said Bahri Yilmaz, President of the Turkish Beekeepers' Union.

Neset Nuhoglu, who works in Ordu on Turkey's northern coast, said: "Shooting the bears is illegal, leaving beekeepers with few options to protect their livelihoods. Beekeepers will still try to save their hives, but this insurance is important and will provide peace of mind". Turkey is one of the