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**Synthesis of research, development and policy priorities:
*Possible gaps***

Research

- **production and marketing research**
- **interdisciplinarity**
 - **sufficient inclusion of socioeconomic research**
 - **gender issues**
 - **land and tree tenure**
- **alien/invasive tree species**
- **participatory appraisal techniques**
- **linkage with development**
- **long-term monitoring, including permanent sample plots**
- **traditionally protected areas**
- **water relations in farming systems**
 - **water-use efficiency**
 - **irrigated lands**
- **(CCD/Benin 2003): marketing strategies; medicinal/aromatic plants/gum arabic; date palm research; biodiversity**

Development

- **land tenure**
- **watershed management**
- **marketing support**
- **women as resource managers**

Policy

- **participation/joint management**
- **social responsibility of actors**
- **energy-saving technologies**
- **water resources**
- **alien/invasive species**