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IPAC organized a Beach Clean-up at Patenga Beach, Chittagong, as a part of the responsible tourism campaign and youth outreach. U. S. Ambassador Dan W. Mozena participated in the program along with USAID Mission Director Richard Greene and former CCF Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad. These photos are taken during the Patenga Beach Clean-up program.

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ACRONYMS

ACF	Assistant Conservator of Forests
ADP	Annual Development Plan
AIG	Alternative Income Generation
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CHT	Chittagong Hill Tracts
CMC	Co-Management Committees and Councils
CMO	Co-Management Organization
COP	Chief of Party
DC	District Commissioner
DCOP	Deputy Chief of Party
DFO	Divisional Forest Officer
DoE	Department of Environment
DoF	Department of Fisheries
ECA	Ecologically Critical Areas
ECNEC	Executive Committee for National Economic Council
EWC	East-West Center
FD	Forest Department
FRUG	Federation of Resource User Groups
FUG	Forest User's Groups
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
GoB	Government of Bangladesh
IPAC	Integrated Protected Area Co-management
IQC	Indefinite Quantity Contract
LOI	Leaders of Influence
M&E	Monitoring and Evaluation
MACH	Management of Aquatic Ecosystems through Community Husbandry
MoEF	Ministry of Environment and Forests
MoFL	Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock
MoL	Ministry of Land
NGOs	Non-Governmental Organizations
NRM	Natural Resources Management
NS	Nishorgo Sahayak (facilitator)
NSP	Nishorgo Support Project
PA	Protected Area
PMARA	Performance Monitoring and Applied Research Associate
PMP	Performance Monitoring Plan
PPP	Public Private Partnerships

REDD	Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation
RIMS	Resource Information and Management System
RMO	Resource Management Organizations
RUG	Resource User Groups
SEALS	Sundarbans Environment and Livelihood Support
SMEs	Small and Medium Enterprises
SOW	Statement of Work
USAID	U.S. Agency for International Development
VC	Value Chain of conservation enterprises

COVER STORY

To strengthen outreach among the youth, promote responsible tourism and collaborate with the government and local communities of wetland and forest Protected Areas, IPAC held a beach clean-up at Patenga, Chittagong, in January. Patenga beach is a high tourist area yet has very little interventions when it comes to keeping the area well conserved.

Taking into account the timing of the US Embassy's America Week, IPAC arranged the beach clean-up on the final day of the three day program. U. S. Ambassador Dan W. Mozena and USAID Mission Director Richard Greene participated in the clean-up activity along with 50 students from Chittagong University and 50 Bangladesh boy and girl scouts. The former Chief Conservator of Forest Mr. Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad also participated in the event along with other GoB officials. The local entrepreneurs of Patenga beach came forward to clean-up their surroundings, hand in hand with the youth.

Forest and wetland dependent communities from IPAC's CHT cluster and South East cluster also joined the event, not just with their able hands but also providing baskets from sustainably-managed bamboo. Recyclable trash and non-recyclable trash were separated and turned-over to the city corporation. The U. S. Ambassador, USAID Mission Director, USAID Deputy Mission Director and former CCF along with groups of students and scouts made sure that most of the affected areas were cleaned. Ambassador Mozena also spoke to the local entrepreneurs, encouraging them to keep Patenga beach clean in the future. IPAC's vision is to use this event to catalyze sustainable support for a clean Patenga Beach. 30 trash baskets were provided to the restaurants of Patenga beach and extensive media coverage was given to highlight this event.

This event coincides with the launching of IPAC's responsible tourism campaign, including engagement with youth, local communities, GoB, media and general population of Bangladesh. With billboards, new messaging strategies, radio shows and events, IPAC is building awareness that all Bangladeshis need to work together to safeguard and appreciate our rich natural heritage. Besides providing places of unique natural beauty for tourism, this natural wealth is our foundation for sustainable development and climate change resilience.

I. INTRODUCTION

IPAC contributes to sustainable natural resource management and enhanced biodiversity conservation in targeted forest and wetland landscapes with the goal of conserving the natural capital of Bangladesh while promoting equitable economic growth and strengthening environmental governance. IPAC is implemented with the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF), and Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock (MoFL), through a consortium of partners led by International Resources Group (IRG).¹

The technical support contract for the Integrated Protected Area Co-Management (IPAC) Project was awarded on June 4, 2008 by USAID/Bangladesh through the PLACE Indefinite Quantity Contract (IQC) through Task Order no. EPP-I-01-06-00007-00. The IPAC contract provides for technical advisory services and other support to be provided over a five year period (2008-2013) to GOB environment, forestry and fisheries agencies responsible for the conservation of wetland and forest protected areas across Bangladesh. This network of forest and wetland protected areas is now recognized as the Nishorgo Network. Over the next year and a half, the IPAC team will continue to work directly with key stakeholders at the local level to support the further development and scaling-up of the conservation and co-management of protected forest and wetland ecosystems in the Nishorgo Network of Bangladesh with particular emphasis given to ensuring its long-term sustainability.

This Quarterly Progress Report covers the period of December 1, 2011 through February 29, 2012, or the third quarter of the fourth year of IPAC implementation. The report summarizes the accomplishments and completed activities of the past quarter, and prioritizes activities identified for the next quarter (March through May 2012). Annexes for this report include the IPAC activity calendar, recently completed technical reports, updated performance indicators and status of co-management in targeted sites of the Nishorgo Network. For more information, please contact: IPAC, House 68 (2nd floor), Road 1, Block I, Banani, Dhaka 1213, Bangladesh, tel. 880-2-987 3229 or visit www.nishorgo.org.

I.1 IPAC IMPLEMENTATION

IPAC works with government and civil society partners from the national to field level to build the Nishorgo Network, a robust network of effectively conserved forest, wetland and other kinds of protected areas based on principles of co-management. IPAC is implemented through a matrix management approach that includes policy and technical support from the Dhaka office and field-level conservation co-management in 25 protected areas managed from 5 regional cluster offices. The accompanying map identifies IPAC field sites. To ensure sustainability of its objectives, IPAC works through three integrated components to institutionalize the Nishorgo Network.

1. **IPAC Strategic Framework:** Development of a coherent strategy for integrated protected areas co-management for biodiversity conservation, through support for constituency building; visioning, policy analysis and strategy development; partnership building for sustainable financing; and development of an outreach and communication strategy with a focus on awareness-raising. This provides an umbrella of policy and political support for the establishment as well as long-term sustainability of this integrated protected area system.

¹In addition to IRG, the IPAC team partners include: WWF-US, dTS, East West Center, ELI, Epler-Wood International, WorldFish Center, CNRS, CODEC, BELA, Asiatic Communications, Oasis Transformation, Module Architects, Independent University of Bangladesh and Jahangirnagar University.

2. **Capacity Building:** Building stakeholder and institutional capacity, through support for training to GOB national and local level staff, NGOs and rural communities; strengthening of existing training centers and development of new and innovative applied training courses; and development of local support services for integrated, participatory conservation co-management. Capacity building is crucial for implementing new co-management policy and ensuring its sustainability into the future.
3. **Site specific implementation:** Support implementation of co-management in Protected Areas to institutionalize integrated co-management for PA conservation in key forest and wetland areas. This includes the selection of additional sites to scale-up a network of co-managed PAs based on conservation threats assessments, as well as expanded support for alternative income generation activities, value chain strengthening, public-private partnerships, leveraged conservation financing and local level outreach to increase community interest in conservation and environmental stewardship, while contributing to improved welfare of rural communities through reduced vulnerability and increased adaptation to climate change, increased access to improved drinking water supplies and more secure and diversified livelihoods. Emphasis is given to ensuring the long-term viability of field activities through supporting the sustainability of co-management organizations.

Additionally, IPAC supports cross-cutting approaches to incorporate gender perspectives in natural resource management and to enhance gender mainstreaming processes. IPAC also focuses on youth, striving to improve the livelihoods of young people and to foster a next generation that is aware of and committed to conservation and climate change challenges.

IPAC integrates increased economic benefits with strengthened governance to achieve improved conservation management of protected areas and more sustainable natural resources management in the landscapes encompassing these protected areas. Increased economic benefits (wealth) include improved livelihoods through increased incomes as well as improved economic and ecological resilience based on increased capacity to adapt to climate change. IPAC strengthens governance (power; rights) through more informed, transparent and inclusive approaches to co-management that involves government and a broad spectrum of civil society stakeholders. This leads to biodiversity conservation, more sustainable natural resources management, and increased resilience and ability to adapt global climate change challenges.

	Governance	Conservation	Economic Growth
IPAC Strategy	Policy and legal framework for co-management of integrated PA system	Training and capacity building in conservation plus climate change adaption and mitigation	Increased revenue generation from conservation (entrance fees) and equitable sharing of benefits
Capacity Building	Establish and institutionalize national Nishorgo Network of integrated protected areas	Certificate course; formal training programs; mentoring; co-management facilitation	Facilitate and leverage public-private partnerships and alliances
Site Implementation	CMC and RMO co-management forums plus constituency-based organizations	Scale-up PA management and habitat restoration work to the landscape level	Expand alternative income generation through environmentally-sustainable value chains

Table 1: IPAC Implementation Matrix

During its first three and a half years, IPAC developed a strong foundation of policy support and broad-based field activities. Over the remaining year and a half, IPAC will strive to consolidate these achievements into a robust national Nishorgo Network of well-protected areas that clearly demonstrate the economic and ecological benefits of conservation for long-term sustainable development. This includes strengthening the policy framework, institutional capacity and alternative conservation financing to ensure long-term sustainability of co-managed protected area conservation.

Over the fourth year, IPAC continues to strive to build greater awareness of and commitment to the Nishorgo Network of collaboratively-managed forest and wetland PAs. This includes integrating on-going policy reform with the launching a national-level communications campaign. At the field level, IPAC is building the foundations for sustainability of co-management, especially through the provision of extensive and often integrated capacity building and scalable alternative income generation opportunities for communities supporting PA conservation. Linked to this is strengthened capacity to adapt to global climate change challenges. Additional priorities include:

- ✓ Strengthened co-management for the Sundarbans through a combination of field-based co-management initiatives as well as policy support including Integrated Resource Management Plan, forest carbon finance development, preparation of a co-management revenue sharing plan, and active coordination with other donors and conservation partners;
- ✓ Facilitation of an assessment of the effectiveness of co-management for conservation of Bangladesh's forest and wetland PAs;
- ✓ Enhanced Communications and AIG/Value Chain work to ensure the meaningful achievement of overall contract goal and objectives;
- ✓ Solid links between IPAC's co-management platform and USAID's Feed the Future work, especially in and around the Sundarbans.

The following sections provide more details about activities implemented over the past Quarter for IPAC's main components.

IPAC Clusters and Sites

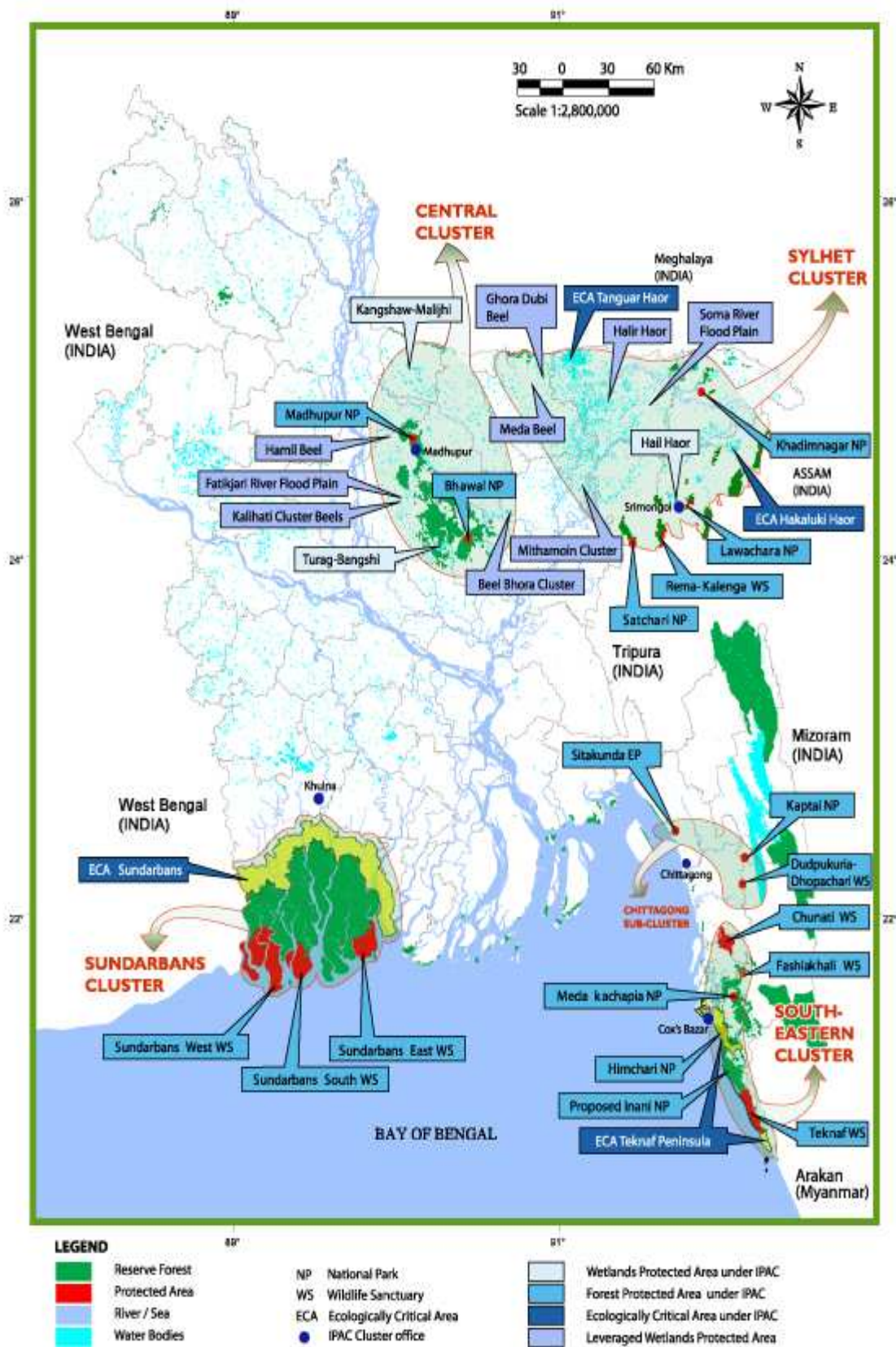


Figure: IPAC project sites

2. SUMMARY OF PROGRESS

IPAC continued to make significant progress toward building a foundation for sustainability of the Nishorgo Network of forest and wetland Protected Areas (PAs) during the third Quarter of Project Year 4. At the national level, IPAC worked with Forest Department on Sundarbans Revenue Sharing Guidelines that will provide the strengthening co-management platform in the Sundarbans Landscape Zone with 50% of revenues generated from entrance fees, licenses and permits. Based on the precedent set by the entrance fee revenue sharing started in 2009, these Guidelines will provide a significant financial boost to Sundarbans co-management and will provide a precedent for rolling-out to the national level in the coming years. This Quarter, IPAC also made progress furthering the Protected Areas Rules and also worked to safeguard pro-community, ecologically-determined wetland management in the face of more political wetland leasing pressures. IPAC also made great strides in national and regional training and capacity building initiatives, participated actively in America Week, and prepared for the national Co-Management Congress.

At the field level, IPAC facilitated the preparation of nearly 1000 community climate change vulnerability assessments and action plans. These are currently being rolled-up to the landscape level. This is arguably the most significant local climate change adaptation initiative undertaken in Bangladesh and provides a unique platform for coordinating long-term adaptation support through various government and donor initiatives. Also this Quarter, IPAC completed formation of the final CMCs targeted for the program, while providing on-going and ramped-up integrated conservation and development support through the Landscape Development Fund and Alternative Income Generation activities. Eco-tourism activities were expanded, and the Quarter saw the highest visitation rates to date for Nishorgo Network Protected Areas. A summary of IPAC's main accomplishments is presented below.

National-level Policy: This Quarter, IPAC policy work included tracking of ongoing policy reform, development of new implementing regulations through Rules and Government Orders, implementation of the recently approved Sundarbans IRMP and Nishorgo Network Strategy and Action Plan, pursuit of wetlands leasing reform in favor of co-management and ecologically-determined lease arrangements, and bringing to market of forest-carbon initiatives for the Sundarbans and other PAs. The Quarter marked a transition of Chief Conservator of Forest at the Forest Department as well as the declaration of three new Protected Areas.

Communications & Outreach: During third Quarter, IPAC Communications and Outreach work focused on creating the Nishorgo Network reach to the national level through the responsible tourism campaign, media coverage and focused events. IPAC planned and rolled out a series of communication and outreach activities both at the national and the field level that included participation from youth, USAID and government officials as well as forest and wetland dependent communities. With the ongoing responsible tourism campaign, IPAC was able to create opportunities for innovative interactions between youth and the communities of forests and wetlands and leverage on the relationships with GOB and USAID officials. Key communications and outreach activities this quarter included participation in America Week, awareness messaging through theater shows, a beach clean-up at Patenga beach, continuation of the responsible tourism radio show and campaign. Additional activities included CMO congress preparation, media engagement and approval of the final draft of the State of the Protected Areas report.

Conservation Financing & Partnerships: Over the Third Quarter, the concerned CMOs participating in the PAs revenue sharing model have collected the highest amount of entrance fee to date as and this Quarter is the peak tourism season in Bangladesh. CMOs in two more PAs, Khadimnagar and Kaptai National Park, entered into the revenue sharing framework. Additionally, the Sundarbans Reserve Forest Revenue Sharing Guideline is moving along the approval process. All the LDF Projects of respective CMOs are in full swing of field implementation. Additionally, leveraging of financial support is in very

good progress from Arannayk Foundation, GIZ, and other Donor agencies and private sectors to expand and deepen the impact of the Nishorgo Network of co-managed forest and wetland PAs.

Capacity Building & Training: This Quarter, a range of targeted capacity building and training events was facilitated at the local level across all IPAC work sites. This included Community Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan for Village Conservation Forum/Resource User Group members, Nishorgo Shahayak community facilitator TOTs, Orientation Course for Co-Management Committee (CMC) Members, and rights & responsibilities of the forest and wetland dependents. At the national level, IPAC completed the fourth-round, one-month Applied Conservation Biology and Co-Management certificate course and started the fifth-round, one-month Applied Conservation Biology and Co-Management certificate course that was launched in February, and the completion of three-week Applied Research Write-Shop. Three GoB officials participated in a 3-month regional training at the Wildlife Institute of India, twelve GoB officials will participate in the Nepal visit in April, and sixteen stakeholders will participate in cross-site visit in Northern West Bengal, India that will start in April.

Field-level Implementation: This was another highly productive Quarter for IPAC field activities. Two new CMCs, one in the Sundarbans and the other in Dhopachari, formally joined the Nishorgo Network thus further expanding the reach of co-management for conservation. These and other CMOs are finalizing formal registration with the Department of Social Welfare. The Nishorgo Shahayak successfully completed the facilitation of more than 1,000 community-level climate change vulnerability assessments and action plans that are now being rolled-up to the landscape level. Entrance fee revenue sharing commenced in Kaptai and Khadimnagar National Parks. AIG/VC Round 2 activities hit a peak this Quarter and also included significant progress with AIN collaboration in the Sundarbans as well as ICS production across the country. LDF Round 1 projects were closed-out while 9 Round 2 projects were under active implementation. IPAC facilitated the preparation of 15 project proposals submitted by CMOs to Arannayk Foundation in order to strengthen long-term sustainability. Five cluster-level Regional Nishorgo Network Committees were established in preparation for the national Co-Management Congress to be held in March. There was extensive distribution of Nishorgo Network public education and conservation awareness materials including posters and billboards. Park visitation by eco-tourists reached an all-time high in terms of both visitors and revenues generated.

Project Management: This Quarter was a busy quarter for the IPAC Administration and Finance team. Apart from providing continued support to the smooth implementation of the planned activities, time and effort were extended to activities aimed to consolidate and strengthen CMOs sustainability, scaling up the AIG activities, LDF implementations, Applied Research Fellowship Write Shop, capacity building of GOB officials, an intensive review of the budget situations both, for IRG and subcontractors, support to DPP revisions, VIP visits to IPAC project sites, ground works for the next Steering Committee meeting. The Year 4 overseas training of GOB officials were initiated during this reporting Quarter.

Performance Monitoring: The Performance Monitoring Team continues to provide technical support and guidance to project implementing teams and the CMOs towards sustainability of the CMOs platforms. This Quarter, the focus was on institutionalizing the CMOs through capacity building, networking, implementation of AIGA round-2 and CMOs' projects from LDF and leverage supports from Arannayk Foundation, GIZ and AIN project. The Team was also active in the development of community-level climate change adaptation plans, building capacity of Nishorgo Shahayaks, PA landscape mapping and supporting the co-management impact assessment.

3. PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

3.1 DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF IPAC PROGRAM STRATEGY

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- **Implementation of the Sundarbans IRMP.** The Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) approved the IRMP in December 2011, and the plan is now under implementation. IPAC is sharing copies of the plan with GoB and other partners to ensure the principles of co-management are embraced. This Quarter, IPAC hosted a visit of senior officials from Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock and Department of Fisheries to see Sundarbans wetland conservation and community development. IPAC also shared IRMP and other documentation with EU SEALS implementing partners and the GIZ team, and expanded aquaculture development through the USAID FTF AIN initiative.
- **Forest Carbon Finance Progress.** This quarter, IPAC learned that the CRISP Sundarbans proposal to BioCarbon Fund is on hold. Initially scheduled for review in the second tranche, this was oversubscribed. It is scheduled for review in June. IPAC intends to bring to market the BRAPAP proposal for forest carbon financing for six PAs, and awaits approval from USAID to bring-on necessary STTA. IPAC participated in UNREDD Readiness activities, and also presented in the Asia REDD Working Group annual meeting in Nepal, and there is interest in adopting one of the BRAPAP sites as a potential pilot initiative.
- **Completion of Nishorgo Network Strategy and Action Plan.** A final version of the Nishorgo Network Strategy and Action Plan has been completed. It has been posted on the revised Nishorgo Network website, and is being produced for distribution to GoB, NGOs, donors co-management organizations. This is also linked to the broader Nishorgo Network national awareness campaign.
- **Revision of Forest Act and Wildlife Act soon to Parliament.** IPAC continues to track progress. It is expected to go to Parliament as a bill in the near future. There is really no specific action that the project can take at this time.
- **National Forest Policy.** IPAC has provided Forest Department a working draft of a revised national forest policy. With the previous policy developed in 1994 being outdated, this new policy addresses current priorities including co-management, sustainable management of environmental services, global climate change adaptation and mitigation, and links between forest management and food security. It is expected that a final version of this policy will be completed in the coming months.
- **Protected Area Rules.** This final draft is under review by the CCF and a limited working group. It is expected to be sent to MoEF for approval next Quarter.

- **State of the Protected Areas, 2010.** IPAC finalized the State of the Protected Areas report for 2010. This comprehensive report provides detailed information on Bangladesh's forest Protected Areas, including biodiversity threats assessments, management interventions, and key species and ecosystem data. This is required for various international protocols and will be an important tool in forest carbon finance work as well as donor fundraising.
- **Sundarbans Reserve Forest Revenue Sharing Guidelines.** IPAC submitted a final draft early in the Quarter to FD. This was subsequently sent to MoEF for review. They requested a Bangla version of the document, which was provided late in the Quarter. It is anticipated that the Forest Department will pursue this with MoEF and then Ministry of Finance.
- **Protected Area Co-Management Plans under Development.** 21 co-management plans have been prepared by IPAC CMOs and finalized by FD and/or DoF field staff. Importantly, each co-management plan now includes a sustainability plan section. Currently PA and landscape maps are being prepared for inclusion into these final documents.
- **MACH Wetlands Lease Extensions.** Most water bodies managed by Resource Management Organizations (RMOs) were reserved for this for an initial 10 years that could then be renewed. In Hail Haor, the land administration has invited open tenders for use rights in these water bodies, ignoring the preference for renewing fisher community/ RMO rights in both the original Memoranda of Understanding between the Ministry of Land and Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock, and the Ministry of Land's own 2009 policy. The RMOs, with help from BELA, have obtained a High Court stay order, but this is only for 2 months. Moreover for the largest such water body in Hail Haor the administration avoided tendering and awarded rights for 1 year to an individual for Tk 6 lakh in the name of "khas collection", his laborers already started removing "hexapods" built with GoB and USAID funds to create permanent fish shelters. Similar problems have also arisen in other districts for co-managed water bodies established through other donor and GOB supported projects. The Ministry of Land appears to have unilaterally decided to terminate Bangladesh's successful wetland and fishery co-management approach just when it should have been expanding, to the detriment of fisher households and biodiversity conservation, just to generate quick profits for those involved in the competitive leasing process.
- **Forest Department Victims Compensation Order.** FD has released a Victims Compensation order, paving the way for compensation for community members that might be injured or killed while working in and trying to protect the forest. This is especially important now, as a third CPG member was killed in the line of duty this Quarter, while on a Joint Patrol in Fashiakhali Wildlife Sanctuary.
- **Establishment of 3 New Protected Areas.** On January 29, 2012, the MOEF announced the establishment of three new PAs. This includes Chandpai Wildlife Sanctuary (560 hectares) in Mongla, Dudmukhi Wildlife Sanctuary (170 hectares) in Saronkhola, and Dhaingmari Wildlife Sanctuary (340 hectares) in Dacope.

3.2 COMMUNICATION & OUTREACH

During third Quarter, IPAC Communications and Outreach work focused on creating the Nishorgo Network reach to the national level through the responsible tourism campaign, media coverage and focused events. IPAC planned and rolled out a series of communication and outreach activities both at the national and the field level that included participation from youth, USAID and government officials as well as forest and wetland dependent communities. With the ongoing responsible tourism campaign, IPAC was able to create opportunities for innovative interactions between youth and the communities of forests and wetlands and leverage on the relationships with GOB and USAID officials.

Key communications and outreach activities this quarter included participation in America Week, awareness messaging through theater shows, a beach clean-up at Patenga beach, continuation of the responsible tourism radio show and campaign. Additional activities included CMO congress preparation, media engagement and approval of the final draft of the State of the Protected Areas report. More detailed reporting of IPAC outreach and communications activities this past quarter is presented below.

Outreach and Special Events

- **Patenga Beach Clean-Up:** Integrating the responsible tourism campaign with America Week, IPAC arranged the beach clean-up on the last day of the three day long programs of America week. The US Ambassador Dan W. Mozena and USAID's Mission Director Richard Greene participated in the clean-up activity along with 50 students from Chittagong University and 50 Bangladesh boy and girl scouts. The former Chief Conservator of Forest Mr. Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad also participated in the event along with other GoB officials. The local entrepreneurs of Patenga beach came forward to clean up their surrounding hand in hand with the youth. 30 trash baskets were distributed to the restaurants of Patenga beach and extensive media coverage was given to the total event.
- **Responsible Tourism Campaign:** The Responsible Tourism campaign continued this quarter with different arms to reach out to Bangladesh's general population. The goal of the campaign is to highlight eco-tourism and responsible tourism to the protected areas of Bangladesh. The campaign included continuation the a radio show "Ami Prokitir, Prokiti Amar," 15 billboards in major highways near Protected Areas and Dhaka, distribution of responsible tourism related materials to youth and promoting the idea through different related events.
- **USAID 50th Anniversary Participation:** IPAC participated in USAID's 50th year anniversary program by telling the story of co-management via a theater performance. The performance was 9 minutes long and depicted the stories of wetland and forest dependent communities as well as GoB and USAID's roles in co-management in Bangladesh. The drama was titled "Subho Suchona."
- **Youth Engagement:** The IPAC team continued working Nishorgo Clubs, Universities and schools to engage them in current campaigns. Also through the radio show a great portion of youth from all over Bangladesh was reached out to and brought in for discussions over SMSs for feedback. Also social media sites like Facebook and YouTube has reached out to youth in the past quarter. Initiatives like the Patenga beach clean-up as well as sponsoring university environment club campaigns including Sahajalal University's first environment program for 2012 in Sylhet.
- **Engaging Media Broadcasts:** In the past quarter IPAC got increased media coverage. Daily Star's lifestyle section did a cover story on Responsible tourism and papers such as, Prothom Alo, Kalerkontho, Noya Digonto, Independent, Shongbad, digital paper - bdnews24.com and visual media NTV, Desh TV and Independent television broadcasted news focusing on IPAC's outreach work.

- **Participation in Fairs:** In the last quarter IPAC participated in America Week. With a special focus on youth, the giveaways were developed and distributed promoting nature conservation. A story telling corner for children was kept and a theater show was also performed as well as a technical presentation on IPAC's work.
- **Cluster Team Engagement:** A communication workshop was held in Dhaka last quarter where communication facilitators were brought to Dhaka and the Dhaka team joined in to decide communication strategy, next steps and branding.

Communications Support and Materials Development

- **Development and Distribution of Responsible Tourism Promotional Materials:** Nishorgo Network promotional materials, posters and billboards were completed and distributed to all five clusters and Dhaka. Scales, key chains, coasters and t-shirts were some of the materials which were developed and distributed in the last quarter.
- **Development and Distribution of Wall and Desk Calendars:** IPAC developed wall and desk calendars for 2012. The calendars have been widely distributed to the clusters, nature dependent communities, GOB partners and other IPAC partners.
- **Development of Website, Fact Sheets and Newsletter:** IPAC is currently updating and strengthening all existing fact sheets and the IPAC website.. A Bangla newsletter as well as various site brochures were also prepared and distributed this quarter.
- **Preparation for CMO Congress 2012:** Preparation for CMO congress 2012 has been a top priority for IPAC's communication and outreach team. The clusters have been engaged as well as IPAC partners, USAID and GOB officials. The entire process is being coordinated by the IPAC communication team as well as a major part of the planning.
- **Final Draft of the State of the Protected Areas Report:** The final draft for the State of the Protected Areas report has been finished and is now being submitted for approval.
- **Forestry Congress Proceedings:** IPAC has coordinated and put together the final draft of the Forestry Congress proceedings which will be published shortly.

3.3 CONSERVATION FINANCING & PARTNERSHIP

Over the Third Quarter, the concerned CMOs participating in the PAs revenue sharing model have collected the highest amount of entrance fee to date as and this Quarter is the peak tourism season in Bangladesh. CMOs in two more As, Khadimnagar and Kaptai National Park, entered into the revenue sharing framework. Additionally, the Sundarbans Reserve Forest Revenue Sharing Guideline is moving along the approval process. All the LDF Projects of respective CMOs are in full swing of field implementation. Additionally, leveraging of financial support is in very good progress from Arannyak Foundation, GIZ, and other Donor agencies and private sectors to expand and deepen the impact of the Nishorgo Network of co-managed forest and wetland PAs.

Revenues Generated From Entrance Fees

Over the Quarter, IPAC has continued its technical support and field facilitation to the CMOs participating in the PAs entrance fee revenue sharing initiatives for strengthening significant tourism opportunities and management. Nearly 62,000 visitors were registered in key PAs where revenue sharing system is in force, and during this quarter, they generated BDT 1,340,000 revenues. Carrying capacity assessment is going on at Lawachara National Park to identify the manageable numbers of visitors without destructive to biodiversity.

Protected Area	Number of visitors		Total Entry Fee Collected (BDT)	
	PY4 Qtr-3 (Dec 11 - Feb 12)	Cumulative (Nov 09 – Feb 12)	PY4 Qtr-3 (Dec 11 - Feb 12)	Cumulative (Nov 09 – Feb 12)
Lawachara NP	43,736	263,658	982,830	5,668,580
Satchari NP	15,280	113,654	301,405	1,801,175
RemaKalenga WS	121	1,198	3,310	40,255
Teknaf WS	298	5,609	10,140	111,720
Chunati WS	233	1,332	2,735	15,675
Hail Haor	1,873	2,370	34,855	100,030
Total	61,541	387,821	1,335,275	7,737,435

Table 2: PA Entry Fee collection under Revenue Sharing System

This Quarter, Kaptai NP completed the preparatory works with entry ticket and trail brochure printing and is fully ready for inaugurating the entrance fees revenue sharing system. Also, Khadimnagar is in good process. The SRF revenue sharing guideline was re-drafted in Bengali for smooth facilitating the GOB Approval process and is now in MOEF for steps forward to MOF. IPAC also notes excellent opportunities to collect entrance fees to support co-management in Tanguar Haor and Hakaluki Haor in the near future.

Protected Area	Number of visitors		Total Entry Fee Revenue Collected (BDT)	
	Q3	Cumulative (Q1+Q2+Q3)	Q3	Cumulative (Q1+Q2+Q3)
Khadimnagar NP	250	546	-	
Sundarbans East and West WLS	36,117	2,409,215	7,911,457	14,455,923
Kaptai NP	2,016	4,285	17,754	35,512

Table 3: Additional Entry Fee collection effort

Landscape Development Fund (LDF)

Landscape Development Fund (LDF) grants provide an important tool for IPAC Co-Management Organizations to build organizational capacity and financial management skills while providing livelihoods development opportunities to PA-dependent poor.

Over this Quarter, IPAC rendered its continued technical efforts to the respective CMOs for the smooth implementation of their Round 2 LDF grants supported nine projects commenced in the previous quarters. Also, facilitation continued for the successful closeout of Round 1 seven LDF Projects. These grants have made a positive difference in the lives of PA-dependent poor. The broader objectives of IPAC LDF is the implementation of grant-supported projects, while the concerned CMOs' capacity is building and strengthening project development, organizational and financial management, implementation, and monitoring efforts. Further, it has been expected that more Donors will come to participate in skilled Nishorgo Network Platforms, providing a confidence in future funding that ultimately results in the eventual development of IPAC Co-Management Organizations.

CMOs	LDF supported activities
Tanguar Haor CCC	Swamp Plantation of 10,000 saplings at 10 Hectares with the species Hizol (<i>Barringtonia acutangula</i>) and Koroch (<i>Pongamia pinnata</i>)
Akota ECA BBSS	2 (two) Wetland/Fish Sanctuary establishing and Management, and Duck Farming activities
Teknaf CMC	Hybrid fruits and bamboo seedling raising, playground improvement for rental purpose; and Eco-Rickshaw and Van) and Nursery Development (rose, fruit bearing, medicinal, wood/timber) with 40,000 saplings
	Vegetables business, Dry Fish business, Betel Leaf and Nut business, and Eco-Rickshaw and Van
Whykong CMC	Pond fish culture, Vegetables business, Fresh Fish business, and Eco-Rickshaw and Van
Dokhola CMC	Poultry rearing, Hare/Rabbit rearing, Grocery shop, Rickshaw/van pulling, Tailoring/sewing, and Tree Nursery/Medicinal Plant development, Pig rearing by Ethnic community, and Hybrid fruits gardening
Jaus (Rasulpur) CMC	Poultry rearing, Tailoring/sewing, and Pig rearing by Ethnic community, and Pond Fish Culture
Aura BauraBeel RMO	2 Fish Sanctuaries Development & Maintenance, Office room renovation and Poultry rearing, Grocery shop, Pond fish culture, Rickshaw/van pulling, Tailoring/sewing, and Vegetable cultivation, and hawking by women
Dudhpukuria CMC	3 Ponds fish culture with seasonal vegetables cultivation, Hybrid Fruits and Bamboo saplings raising

Table 4: Round 2 LDF Grants supported activities

Following are specific achievements of the reporting period (Y4 Q3):

- Field-level implementation of Round 2 LDF Projects is in good progress with GOB extension services and site based technical supports.
- LDF Grants agreements are discussed including compliance issues in the monthly CMO Meeting and other community meeting as well to orient the PIC members at all the sites
- Action Plans were developed by the CMOs for timely commencement of field activities and smooth procurement of input supports.
- Spot-based orientations on selected livelihood activities are almost completed and simultaneously started Input supports distribution and planned activities other than AIGAs are in very good progress. CMOs have started preparation and sending monthly Project progress and financial reporting
- As part of Institutional Capacity Building, conducted Grants Management Training for Dhopachari CMC members, as newly formed
- Articulated, shared and Finalized the revised Policy Manual for CMOs on Finance and Operations; in early Quarter 4, it will be printed and distributed among all the IPAC CMOs. Also, the Training Module on Grants & Financial Management development is in good progress
- 90%-100% of total approved Grants have been disbursed to the CMOs implementing the Round 1 LDF Projects. Almost all the planned activities of these projects are accomplished with very good achievements and sustainable impact.
- The project closeout plan with templates is developed and sent to CMOs; also it is shared in their monthly meetings. For the smooth progress and financial closing reports, time is given up to March 31, 2012 with Accruals opportunities

Arannayk Foundation Grant Progress

This Quarter, technical support continued to the concerned CMOs implementing AF grants supported three projects. Also, site-based facilitation continued for field level progress accomplishment and strong monitoring for revolving fund repayments by the AIGAs beneficiaries. IPAC has been able to effectively leverage support to expand this-like works through the support of the donors in particular the Arannayk Foundation (AF), and this Quarter is remarkable for its further steps forward with CMOs' grants proposals for a total value of BDT 16.5 Million (around USD 200,000).

Significant achievements over the Quarter include:

- The three projects of Srimangal CMCs accomplished all the planned activities with good achievements pioneering RLF management. Beneficiaries are in very good progress and generating regular income and started repaying loan installments. The said projects expire on February 29, 2012
- IPAC is rendering continued technical support and site based support for successful closing and smooth evaluation of these projects be conducted by AF during early Quarter 4.
- IPAC produced and drafted Project Proposal Templates and Guidelines customized to AF Grants, and sent and shared with all CMOs throughout the clusters.
- With the comprehensive technical inputs and supports, fifteen (15) CMOs from five clusters submitted their Project Proposals requesting for BDT 1,100,000 each as revolving fund grants according to the Call for Proposals by Arannayk.

Conic Fund Raising and Donor Leveraging

Over the Quarter, IPAC continued to work with donor partners to leverage their support in order to expand and deepen the impact of co-management for conservation across Bangladesh. Key donors and partners included GIZ for work in Sundarbans and Chanuti PAs, wetlands co-management, and ramp-up for improved cooking stoves (ICS), and The World Fish Center for work in Sundarbans with AIN (Aquaculture, Income and Nutrition) project. Also, Chunati CMC is in final stage and expected to be awarded the UNDP Equator Prize 2012. IPAC continues striving to leverage support also from FAO, EU and the World Bank. From the Private Sector Partners, more companies like BSRM Steels Limited and Berger BPL have shown their interest in funding, as the IPAC team continuously approaches different private sectors for the CONIC nature interpretation center.

Notable achievements of the reporting period include:

- GIZ Chunati Project has already distributed input support with revolving fund with the presence of CCF; Beneficiaries received hire purchase basis, will be the owner of Rickshaw/Van after 12 monthly installments repayments; Further, the construction of Showroom cum Workshop on sewing handicrafts for woman CPG is completed and be inaugurated soon after procurement of sewing machineries and logistics. Additionally, ICS ramped up is in good progress in Sundarbans and Wetland PAs in Sylhet and Central clusters
- WFC AIN Project hired employees and conducted the orientations; the field team selected 8,000 beneficiaries from Sundarbans Landscape in Bagherhat for fish culture (carp and shrimp), and in early Quarter 4, these farmer groups will be receiving spot based training and preparatory supports.
- Agreement is signed with Contractor so to start construction works of CONIC soon; CCF visited the CONIC Site at Lawachara National Park, Sreemongol and inaugurated the construction works; also remarkable progress is made in Hail Haor CONIC construction works.

3.4 CAPACITY BUILDING

This Quarter, a range of targeted capacity building and training events was facilitated at the local level across all IPAC work sites. This included Community Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan for Village Conservation Forum/Resource User Group members, Nishorgo Shahayak community facilitator TOTs, Orientation Course for Co-Management Committee (CMC) Members, and rights & responsibilities of the forest and wetland dependents. At the national level, IPAC completed the fourth-round, one-month Applied Conservation Biology and Co-Management certificate course and started the fifth-round, one-month Applied Conservation Biology and Co-Management certificate course that was launched in February, and the completion of three-week Applied Research Write-Shop. Three GoB officials participated in a 3-month regional training at the Wildlife Institute of India, twelve GoB officials will participate in the Nepal visit in April, and sixteen stakeholders will participate in cross-site visit in Northern West Bengal, India that will start in April. Highlights from this quarter include the following:

- **Community Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan:** 320 Community Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan courses were held in Sundarbans Cluster, Central Cluster and South Eastern Cluster to orient the Village Conservation Forum and Resource User Group members on climate change effects, disaster and vulnerability assessment, local resources and survival/coping strategies, GCC adaptation plan development, skill development on climate change issues, reduce vulnerability of climate change affects, identification of major problem on local vulnerability, and awareness creation on GCCA. A total of 12,183 Village Conservation Forum and Resource User Group members participated in these courses.
- **Training of Trainers for Nishorgo Shahayak:** An intensive 3-day Training of Trainers (ToT) for Nishorgo Shahayaks (NS) was held in CHT cluster over the period from December 2011 to January 2012. A total of 26 members of NS and Field Organizers attended the ToT to conduct and manage the meeting and training of the Village Conservation Forums (VCFs). The Site Facilitators of the cluster organized and facilitated the ToTs. Basic training documents and hand notes including training module, training materials, and books were provided to the all participants during the sessions. The ToTs covered major issues of global climate change, adaptation planning and vulnerability assessment; eco-tourism; alternative livelihood; CMO/CPG/PF/VCF concept; and community rights & responsibilities.
- **Orientation Course for Co-Management Committee (CMC) Members:** Two batches orientation course were organized during February 12-13, 2012 and February 14, 2012 at Dhopachari and Dudhpukuria, CHT Cluster. During these orientation, participants learned about co-management for PA conservation; the legal structure and organizational basis of CMCs; roles and responsibilities of the CMC in the co-management process; Nishorgo Network: objectives and activities; climate change adaptation plan & vulnerability assessment process; and annual plan preparation process of the CMC. The refresher training courses for CMCs were very interactive and participatory through role play, small group works and presentations, large group discussions and question and answer sessions etc. A total of 34 Co-Management Committee (CMC) members took part in these courses.
- **AIG Training Courses:** With a view to create alternative income generation for the 'in' and 'around' people of the PAs/Wetlands/ECA's IPAC Project is continuing its efforts to provide training support in different ways. During this quarter, 7 batches of AIG training courses on agriculture, homestead vegetable gardening, and poultry rearing were conducted at the local level where 154 participants joined in.
- **Rights & Responsibilities of the Forest and Wetland Dependents:** One orientation session was held at Kaliaoir under Central Cluster to orient Resource Management Organization members on their Rights & responsibilities, IPAC activities and future plan of the project, Nishorgo Network and co-management system for natural resources conservation and scope of opportunities for supporting the Network. A total of 25 members of the Resource Management Organization were attended in the session.

- Certificate Course on Applied Conservation Biology & Co-Management:** The Applied Conservation Biology and Co-Management certificate course was developed to enable the participants from government technical agencies and non-governmental organizations to collaborate more effectively in the management of PAs, Wetlands and Ecologically Critical Areas (ECAs) in ways that both conserve biodiversity and promote more sustainable and secure economic growth that directly benefits local communities. This four-week certificate course was developed jointly by the faculty of Jahangirnagar University and Independent University, Bangladesh (JU/IUB). The fourth batch of the course started from December 01, 2011 at the Fisheries Training Academy, Savar, and ended on December 27, 2011. Some 23 participants attended, including 19 from three government departments (seven from FD, seven from DOF, and five from DoE); and four has nominated from NGOs. The fifth batch of the course started from February 19, 2012 at the Sheikh Hasina National Youth Centre, Savar which will continue up to March 17, 2012. Some 19 participants attended, including 16 from four government departments (six from FD, seven from DOF, two from DoE, and one from BFRI) and three has nominated from NGOs.
- Wraps-Up three-week Applied Research Write-Shop:** 12 researchers from the Forest Department (5), Department of Fisheries (5), Department of Environment (1), and Bangladesh University of Engineering and Technology (1) presented their research results on the impacts of co-management for forest and wetland conservation in Bangladesh during a half-day workshop held at Forest Department in Dhaka on February 16, 2012. After the opening ceremony, each researcher presented a ten-minute presentation covering their topic, methodology, findings and recommendations. This was the culmination of a six-month Small Research Grants Program funded through IPAC Project with technical support from the East West Center (Honolulu, Hawaii) and the World Fish Center. The researchers were guided through development of research topics, implementation of field research, and writing-up their results.
- Diploma Course in Co-Management Focusing on Wetlands/Forests:** IPAC supported 3 GoB officials from Department of Forest (1) and Department of Fisheries (2) to attend a certificate course of three-month duration (November 01, 2011 to January 31, 2012) of “Certificate Course in Wildlife Management” at Wildlife Institute of India (WII). Through this course participants received wider exposure to the co-management principles and approaches; shared views on the co-management approaches as adopted in specific countries in order to enable them to gain sound knowledge and enrich their skills on a large scale.
- Cross Site Visit on Co-management of Forests and Wetlands in Nepal:** The objectives of the Nepal visit are a) observe and study co-management practices for forests/wetlands; b) interact with the concerned institutions and decision-makers; c) interact with local stakeholders; and d) provide a field visit for experiencing first hand impacts and lessons. Thirteen participants will visit Nepal during April 15-21, 2012 of which two from FD; four from DoF; one from DoE, two from MoEF, one from IMED, one from ERD, one from planning commission, and one IPAC staff as team leader. CIRDAP, Bangladesh an international organization will help to plan and organize the visit on behalf of IPAC.
- India Visit for Local Stakeholders:** IPAC has communicated with the Center for Biosocial Advancement (CBA), West Bengal, India to arrange a field study tour program in Northern West Bengal, India. The objectives of the trip are to observe, study and learn the Protected Area (PA) Co-management of Forests and Wetlands of Northern West Bengal focusing on the issues of: i) Forest Planning, ii) Community Participation and co-management, iii) Benefits from Co-management and sharing of the same, iv) Control of Encroachment, v) Reduction of Wildlife-Human Conflicts, vi) Management of Fisheries and vii) Legislative and Regulatory Support for Conservation and Management. The duration of study tour will be from April 15-22, 2012 with sixteen stakeholders and IPAC staff as team leader. The stakeholders will be five Range Officers and eleven CMOs members.

3.5 SITE SPECIFIC IMPLEMENTATION

Throughout the third Quarter, IPAC reinforced its best efforts on achieving all the planned activities according to the Annual Work Plan of Project Year 4, and accomplished significant part of site specific/field work level implementation. The IPAC team continued delivering the technical support and collaborative facilitation to build sustainability of Protected Area conservation management through the Co-Management platform (CMOs).

This Quarter, with consistent and quality field efforts, IPAC completed its wide variety of capacity building activities to achieve one of the priority goals of IPAC: the sustainability of CMOs. Communication and awareness campaigns continued all around the clusters linking with different conservation issues. Two new CMCs were added to the growing Nishorgo Network. VCF-based Climate Change adaptation plans development was completed throughout the five clusters with tremendous efforts started in previous quarter through TOTs of NSs. IPAC field teams continued to roll-out AIG/VC targets at VCFs level with significant AIN leveraged works. LDF Grants supported projects are in good progress including closeout of Round 1 projects in early Quarter 4. Additionally, technical collaboration and regular monitoring support is continued to accelerate leveraging donors and private sector partners.

Regional forums of CMOs namely Regional Nishorgo Networks have been formed successfully in each Cluster. Further, with the re-established brand, a host of new attractive communication and branding materials were placed and distributed over the Nishorgo Network. Nearly 1,000 village-level co-management platforms are active with 17 RMOs in wetlands, 2 CCCs in ECAs, and 23 CMCs in Forest lands Protected Areas. Also, FRUGs, Nishorgo Clubs, Community Patrol Groups, Nishorgo Shahayaks, and Eco-Guides are active in the following PA network:

Cluster	Number of CMOs	Protected Areas
South Eastern Cluster	9 CMCs	Chunati Wildlife Sanctuary, Fasiakhali WS, Medhakachapia National Park, Himchari NP, Inani NP/ECA, Teknaf WS, and Teknaf Peninsula ECA
Sundarbans Cluster	4 CMCs	Sundarbans West WS, East WS, South WS, and Sundarbans ECA
Central Cluster	2 CMCs and 9 RMOs	Modhupur NP, Turag-Bongshi River Basin, Kongsha-Malijhee RB, and Bhawal NP
Chittagong & CHT Cluster	4 CMCs	Kaptai NP, Dudpukuria-Dopachari WS, and Sitakunda Eco-Park
Sylhet Cluster	4 CMCs, 8 RMOs and 2 ECA Central CMCs	Lawachara NP, Satchari NP, Rema-Kalenga WS, Khadimnagar NP, Hail Haor, TanguarHaor ECA, and HakalukiHaor Ecologically Critical Area

Table 5: IPAC PAs per Cluster

Highlights of the Quarter:

- 2 new CMCs were formed at Dacope-Koyra under Sundarbans South WS and Dhopachari under DDWS.
- Active participation in the America Week 2012 held in Chittagong and US Ambassador to Bangladesh inaugurated the Potenga Beach Clean program of local Scouts & Youths, organized by IPAC, and the events has got remarkable media coverage.
- Registration of CMOs with the Social Welfare Dept.is in good progress. Office renovation works are completed for nearly all CMOs.

- Around 1,000 VCFs level Climate Change Adaptation Plans were prepared and are being rolled-up to the landscape level.
- AIG/VC Year-4 input support is in progress of roll out; also 8,000 beneficiaries have been selected in Sundarbans with WFC's AIN (Aquaculture, Income and Nutrition) Project.
- Round 2 nine LDF Grants supported projects with CMOs are in good progress of implementation and Round 1 seven projects' closeout is in process
- 15 Project Proposals were submitted by the Co-Management Organizations over the clusters, according to Call for Proposals of the Arannayk Foundation
- Completion of installation and distribution of Communication and branding materials nationwide, developed with USAID approved Nishorgo Network branding
- Eco-tourism activities are reinforced and commencing PA entry fee system at Kaptai NP, and Khadimnagar NP.
- 5 Cluster level Regional Committees of the concerned CMOs have been formed with the aim to develop a CMO federation at National level.

Cluster-specific synopsis is provided below:

South Eastern Cluster:

IPAC Southeastern Cluster works through the Protected Areas covering Upazilas of Lohagara, Banshkhali under Chittagong district; and Chakaria, Ukhiiya, Teknaf, Cox's Bazar Sadar and Ramu under Cox's Bazaar district. The Cluster team rendered its best efforts for successful implementation of the Y4 Q3 planned activities with the continued technical support from IPAC and substantial collaboration of the Forest Dept. The co-management network of Protected Areas made significant progress to their sustainability with consistent IPAC site based facilitation.

Over the third Quarter, along with regular conservation awareness programs, and meetings, the Southeast Cluster successfully completed development of Climate Change Adaptation Plans, AIGA Y4 input supports distribution with orientations, reformation of concerned CMOs. The team is making very good progress for CMOs' registration process and Office renovation works, NSP plantation weeding, rolled out LDF and donor supported Projects' implementation and Eco-Tourism efforts as well.

Specific highlights in the Quarter include:

- Reformation of Fashiakhali and Medhakachapia CMCs as per Co-management gazette of GoB, upon completion of their two years
- As part of forest restoration and conservation, 294 hectare weeding of NSP plantation has been completed under Chunati WS (171 he) and Teknaf WS (123 he) with the technical support of local FD officials
- Ramped-up 3 LDF projects and 1 GIZ funded project implementation and is in good progress at the field level; existing 3 LDF projects are to be closeout soon; Also, 4 new PPs development and submitted to Arannayk
- 1,103 selected VCF level members received AIGA Y4 input supports include Net making, bamboo products, handicrafts, and small business.
- Accomplished Climate Change vulnerability assessment and developed Adaptation plans at 257 VCFs successfully
- Eco-tourism activities are reinforced at Teknaf with the new staff joining; Community Patrol Groups are strengthened with 702 pair of shows support.

The following table highlights the specific work of South-Eastern cluster:

Outcomes	Outputs/Activities Quantitative and qualitative achievements of the cluster as per Y4 Q3 Work Plan
Increased Capacity of CMOs for effective Co-management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ CMCs' registration with Social Welfare Dept. is under process and over the Quarter, good progress is made ✓ CMC office renovation completed of Medhakachapia CMC and about to complete of Himchari and Whykhong. ✓ Monthly meeting of 8 CMCs, 257 VCFs conducted regular basis and quarterly PF's meeting held at all the sites; CMC members are actively participating to implement of IPAC activities, LDF project implementation, local conflict resolution and other PA conservation activities. ✓ Quarterly meeting between concerned CMOs and DFOs of Cox's Bazar South, North and WLNC Division held on 27 Feb, 28 Feb and 16 January 2012 respectively ✓ Half yearly Council meeting held at Teknaf, Whykhong, Shilkhali, Fashiakhali, Medhakachapia and Jaldi. ✓ 102 (Himchari-46, Teknaf-27 and Whykhong-29) Community stakeholders (CMC, VCF, PF, NS, CPG, Eco-tour Guide) participated at 4 inter cluster PA exposure visit program. ✓ Organized monthly Refreshers course for the capacity enhancement of trained 252 Nishorgo Shahayok (NSs) ✓ CMCs have directly implemented the LDF program activities with help of local IPAC officials. It is creating the ownership and strengthening of CMCs
Improved conservation management of Forest Protected Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 801 CPG members have been participating in forest patrolling with local FD officials; CF-Chittagong circle is very much pleased to see and interact with CPG members during his visit at Fashiakhali and Medhakachapia PAs ✓ Bi-monthly meeting with 12 Nishorgo Clubs (FCCs) is conducted regularly. ✓ Monthly meetings of 31 CPGs are continued regularly to share patrolling situation ✓ Sites identification is in progress for 10 hectares Plantation at Fasiakhali WS with Social Forestry Rules ✓ 16 households took ICSs installation at Teknaf Site ✓ Inani Beach cleaning-up event held on 25 Feb 2012 ✓ 37 IPAC Program' news published at local and national newspapers. ✓ IPT show (Paribartoner Katha) has been performed on 27 Feb 12 at Fashiakhali and about 1,000 local people enjoyed the show and received conservation messages ✓ A drawing competition is organized at Hnilla, Teknaf with a participation of 100 students on 22 February 2012. ✓ 3 billboards are installed at Teknaf, Chunoti and Himcahari Pas

Increased number of people benefiting from AIG/VC activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ With the presence of CMC members and local FD officials, Y-4 AIGAs input supports are distributed among the selected VCF members. ✓ 413 CPG (146) and VCF (267) members received AIG input support from LDF under Himchari, Medhakachapia, Fashiakhali and Teknaf. ✓ AIG activities create new trust and positive attitude of local stakeholders on IPAC activities and also feeling about importance of natural resource conservation.
Increased benefits of eco-tourism opportunities for PA-dependent communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Eco-Tourism Promoter joined IPAC Teknaf Site Office and started works to promote Teknaf WS and efforts continued for Eco-tourism promotion ✓ BDT 10,140 and 2,735 collected as PA entry fees at Teknaf and Chunoti respectively
Development of GCC Adaptation Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Village level communities are very much aware on their local climate change issues to be addressed; now they should have appropriate linkage with funding sources to implementation of plans ✓ Nishorgo Shahayaks continued discussion on climate change issues in monthly VCF meetings. ✓ All the VCFs completed preparation of their climate change adaptation plan with comprehensive efforts and discussion
Effective Program Management and Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Regular coordination and cooperation continued with GOB agencies (FD, DoF and DOE). CMC and Forest official are actively monitoring the program. ✓ Book <i>“The Nishorgo Network Strategy and Action Plan: Collaborative Management of Bangladesh’s Natural Protected Areas”</i> were distributed among different high officials under the Cluster ✓ Monthly staff coordination meetings held regular basis; consistent facilitation to the sites are continued ✓ Regular sharing and coordination efforts are going on with local NGOs include CBAECA, NACOM, IPFACM, and SHED; also participation continued to the Upazila based GO-NGO coordination meetings

Sundarbans Cluster:

IPAC Sundarbans Cluster works through the Protected Areas covering upazilas of Shyamnagar under Satkhira district; Sarankhola, Morrelgonj, Mongla under Bagerhat; and Dacope-Koyra under Khulna district. This Quarter, Cluster team rendered its sincere efforts for successful implementation of the PY4 Q3 planned activities, facilitated by IPAC technical support. The team focused on the formation of one more CMC at Dacope-Koyra and continued to maintain close coordination with local GoBs and FD Officials.

Over the third Quarter, the cluster successfully accomplished Regional Nishorgo Network Executive Committee formation, and development of Climate Change Adaptation Plans. The cluster is in very good progress for AIGA Y4 includes AIN beneficiaries identification, LDF Projects implementation, and CMOs’ registration process and office renovations works going on, Eco-Tourism is in progress. Also, the field team has continued to conduct and facilitate the capacity building efforts for Co-Management platforms and other stakeholders. With consistent field based conservation linked mobilization activities, the cluster is able to develop a good working relationship with stakeholders and the existing CMOs are making good progress towards a greater degree of sustainability.

Specific highlights in the Quarter include:

- One more new CMC is formed at Dacope-Koyra, Kulnauder Sundarbans South WSon December 13, 2011
- 4 new PPs development and submitted to Arannayk by all the CMCs; Rolled out 2 LDF projects field level implementation and be closeout soon.
- Rolled out Y4 AIGAs input supports, and AIN project activities; Ramped up Installation of new 250 ICSs at Sarankhola
- A Regional Nishorgo Network Committee is formed participated by all the CMOs and a 10 members' working committee is active
- 209 VCFs have successfully accomplished Climate Change vulnerability assessment and developed their Adaptation plans
- A team of DOF Senior Officials included DG, PD-IPAC, Secretaries visited IPAC Chandpai site and made commitment for providing with a range of Tk.15,000-50,000 donation support to the selected 20 PA poor dependent people and asked the CMC for sending the beneficiary list

The following table highlights the specific work of the Sundarbans cluster:

Outcomes	Outputs/Activities Quantitative and qualitative achievements of the cluster as per Y4 Q3 Work Plan
Increased Capacity of CMOs for effective Co-management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ CMC meetings with DFO, quarterly People's Forum meetings held as part of effective co-management activities ✓ Monthly meetings of CMCs held regularly to share the present problems and prospects of the sites considering co-management contexts ✓ 209 VCFs regularly organized and conducted their monthly meetings and through this, VCF members become aware about Sundarbans conservation ✓ CMCs Registration with Social Welfare Dept. is under process ✓ CMCs Office renovation works are under approval process
Improved conservation management of Forest Protected Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Working area identification of 4 sites on the Landscape map ✓ 12 Nishorgo clubs conducted their quarterly meeting regular basis. ✓ An awareness program on biodiversity conservation especially on forest firing conducted at Uttar Rajapur Bot Tala Regd. Primary School field(Sharankhola) in presence 1,100 participants including SO of Dhansagor and other forest officials, Contingent Commander of Coast Guard, Vice-President of CMC, VCF members, IPAC staff and local people attended ✓ Students hiking arranged at Sarankhola & Chandpai sites in Sundarbans ✓ 46 IPT shows staged throughout the clusters in presence of 16,000 (approx. 60% female) local forest users. ✓ Awareness based Miking program is conducted on biodiversity conservation at Sarankhola site.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 10 nos wall writing is accomplished and around 1,500 posters with biodiversity conservation messages distributed in different Govt. & Non-Govt. Offices and important places in all sites
Increased number of people benefiting from AIG/VC activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 498 Beneficiaries received orientations on selected AIGAs ✓ Among them homestead gardening seeds and tools are distributed among 318 ✓ VCF members of Sharankhola, Chandpai and Munshigonj ✓ Also, 180 households received Fish culture training at Dacop-Koyra site ✓ 8,000 women beneficiaries are selected under AIN project for fish culture
Increased benefits of eco-tourism opportunities for PA-dependent communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A team of Eco-tour Guides in Chandpai site and a private Entrepreneur of Burigoalini range (Munshigonj) are planning to set up eco-cottage in their respective sites. ✓ Recently the above team visited IPAC Sreemongol site to observe and gather practical knowledge on eco-cottage business and its viability, and now they are confident to set up eco-cottage. ✓ Eco-cottage set-up issues are discussed in CMC meeting and CMC is committed to provide all sorts of administrative supports to the entrepreneurs.
Development of GCC Adaptation Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ A special workshop on GCC adaptation plan preparation arranged in Cluster office where all cluster staffs attended. ✓ Elaborately discussion took place in the session for smooth preparation of GCC planning sessions at the VCFs level
Effective Program Management and Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Monthly site staff meetings, cluster level coordination meetings and Regular field monitoring are ongoing at all the sites ✓ In the reporting quarter, CF, DFOs visited Sarankhola, Chandpai, Munshigonj and Dacope-Koyra sites and they shared their views for improving the conservation activities.

Central Cluster

IPAC Central Cluster works through the Protected Areas covering Upazilas of Modhupur, and Mirzapur under Tangail district; Muktagacha under Mymensingh district; Kaliakoir, Gazipur Sadar, Kapasia and Rajendrapur under Gazipur district, and Sherpur Sadar and Zhinaigati under Sherpur district. This cluster is focused upon the strengthening CMOs capacities to effectively contribute to conservation mobilization activities. Therefore, the cluster has continued to maintain close coordination with GoBs and FD Officials; with efforts lead by the cluster team and facilitated by IPAC, the co-management approach has become widely recognized and well appreciated by all the levels of stakeholders - including the local community, government, administration, and various other regional stakeholders.

Over the third Quarter, the Central Cluster and sites team rendered its sincere efforts for successful implementation of the Y4 Q3 planned activities in both the Forest and Wetland PAs including regular conservation awareness programs, and meetings. The team successfully completed development of Climate Change Adaptation Plans, Regional Nishorgo Network Executive Committee formation. Also the Central cluster is in very good progress for leveraging CCTF ICS effort at forest PA, CMOs' registration and office renovation works, and Round 2 LDF Projects implementation by CMOs as well. Further, the team continued collaborative support to implement IPAC's private sector linkage value chain efforts.

Specific highlights in the Quarter include:

- Social Welfare Registration of 2 CMCs and 1 RMOs is in very good progress; Also, Modhupur CMCs office renovations works completed and Aurabaura RMO office construction works is in progress.
- The cluster hosted 2 batches of trainees visited Modhupur NP as part of their month-long training on Conservation Biology held in Savar. Led by the Teacher of JahangirNagar University Dr. Mominul Kabir, 25 participants of each batch talked to CMCs, FDs, and other local level stakeholders on 20 Jan 2012 and 24 Feb 2012 respectively
- Rolled out 3 LDF projects implementation at the field level; successfully completed preparatory works and trainings; input supports distribution also started; 2 new PPs development and submitted to Arannayk
- 2 Regional Nishorgo Network EC formed based on wetland and forest PAs separately
- Organized and facilitated with logistics support and ensued participants for the UNDP's REDD Workshop in BADC Training Center on 18 February 2012 where 100 local level stakeholders participated includes FDs and CFWs, CMCs,PFs, NSs, UPZ Chairman and Vice Chairman, and others local forest dependent communities
- The Modhupur based basketry producers received formal Procurement Order from Hatil and Aarong; also, the said materials are displayed and sold in the Hatil's stall at DITF 2012 successfully.

The following table highlights the specific activities of the Central cluster:

Outcomes	Outputs/Activities
Increased Capacity of CMOs for effective Co-management	<p>Quantitative and qualitative achievements of the cluster as per PY4 Q3 Work Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Monthly meeting of CMCs and RMO's General Body, and RUGs are conducted regular basis ✓ With the above meetings, concerned co-management platforms take decision on AIGA activities, loan disbursement approval and collection, review last month's progress updates and plan for next month, review the income and expenditure of federation and take necessary actions. ✓ FRUGs, RMOs, NGOs, and UPZs Coordination meetings held regular basis; also sharing meetings held with local GOB depts. i.e. FD, DoF, DoE, and sharing with DC, ADC (Rev.), UNO, YDO, SDO etc.As a result, all depts. are contributing to the IPAC project. ✓ RMOs' and FRUG's Executive Committee meeting at wetlands, People's Forum' meeting at forest PAs are conducted quarterly basis ✓ With these, the Nishorgo network communities are now capable to run smoothly different activities like Annual work plan, Annual budget preparation, LDF Project Proposal develop and implementation, facilitation to mobile court, Endowment fund project development, awareness programs, etc. ✓ NSs conducted monthly village level meetings throughout the 96 VCFs

Improved conservation management of Forest and Wetland Protected Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 1 school based awareness programs are organized and conducted where 1,250 students along with their teachers attended (Participants: M-633 & F-617) ✓ Turag RMO received their reward money from GIZ against their successful installment of 200 ICSs in the last quarter ✓ 1 meeting is conducted with Journalists; also, 1 meeting is conducted by the Nishorgo Club ✓ 57 community consultation meetings and 3 Civil Society meetings are conducted for conservation of natural resources
Increased number of people benefiting from AIG/VC activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ With Y3 AIG VC supports, beneficiary VCF households harvested successfully their respective products and many of them are in cyclic production process and able to create better income ✓ With the loan support from Endowment Funds, many poor beneficiaries of Wetland FRUGs/RMOs members are continuing earnings from their respective farming and non-farming activities, and benefiting for better livelihoods ✓ Preparatory works are ongoing for Y4 AIG input supports distribution; AIG input supports distribution completed among 106 participants
Increased benefits of eco-tourism opportunities for PA-dependent communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Eco-tour Guides' monthly meetings are conducted regular basis at Bhawal National Park ✓ Facilitation continued for exploring and initiating eco-tourism opportunities at Modhupur National Park
Development of GCC Adaptation Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ VCF members gathered in the GCC adaptation planning session. The local communities identified vulnerability, risk, & others climatic hazards issues and prepared climate change adaptation plan. Those sessions are so much effective to identify vulnerabilities assessment ✓ Climate Change Adaptation plans are developed with comprehensive efforts by 206 Village level conservation forum (VCFs)
Effective Program Management and Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Monthly Coordination meetings, Site based facilitation are conducted at all sites ✓ Regular coordination is ongoing with FD, DoF, and DoE and other local level stakeholders

CHT Cluster:

IPAC Chittagong/CHT Cluster works through the Protected Areas covering Upazilas of Kaptai under Rangamati district; and Rangunia, Chandanish and Sitakunda under Chittagong district. This Quarter, Cluster team rendered its sincere efforts for successful implementation of the PY4 Q3 planned activities. The team focused on the formation of one more CMC at Dhopachari and developing the capacity of the CMOs so to effectively contribute to conservation mobilization activities. In this regard, the cluster has continued to maintain close coordination with local GoBs and FD Officials; and with continued technical support and facilitation from IPAC, the cluster is able to develop a good working relationship with stakeholders and so the co-management approach has become widely recognized and well appreciated by all the levels.

Over the Third Quarter, along with regular conservation awareness programs, and meetings, the cluster successfully completed Regional Nishorgo Network Executive Committee formation, and development of Climate Change Adaptation Plans. As a result of consistent field based conservation linked mobilization activities and regular coordination efforts, all the CMOs of Chittagong/CHT is making good progress towards greater degrees of sustainability. The cluster is in very good progress for PA entry fee revenue sharing to commence, AIGA Y4 input supports preparation, LDF Projects implementation, and CMOs' registration process as well. Further, the team successfully organized IPAC events for America Week 2012 celebration in Chittagong.

Specific highlights in the Quarter include:

- Organized and conducted the awareness events as part of America Week 2012 celebration works in Chittagong; The US Ambassador to Bangladesh Mr. Dan W.Mozena with USAID Mission Director accompanied by CCF-FD launched the Potenga Beach Clean-up program participated by 50Students of Chittagong University and 50 Rover Scouts and local community people.
- The last CMC of IPAC is formed at Dhopachari under DDWS on January 9, 2012 where IPAC Chief of Party was present
- Kaptai National Parks has completed all the preparatory works for commencing PA entry fee collection and revenue sharing system under CMC's management, and be launched in March 2012
- 2 new PPs development and submitted to Arannayk by Kaptai NP CMCs; Rolled out 1 LDF project implementation at the field level and 2 LDF projects completed to be closeout soon.
- A Regional Nishorgo Network Committee is formed participated by all the CMOs of the cluster
- 76 VCFs have successfully accomplished Climate Change vulnerability assessment and developed their Adaptation plans

The following table highlights the specific work of Chittagong & CHT cluster:

Outcomes	Outputs/Activities Quantitative and qualitative achievements of the cluster as per Y4 Q3 Work Plan
Increased Capacity of CMOs for effective Co-management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Kaptai and Karnafully CMCs are in very good progress for Social Welfare Registration; Dudpukuria and Dhiopachari CMCs are prepared with required documents for the same purpose ✓ Monthly meeting of 4 CMCs and 76 VCFs conducted regularly, and quarterly PF's meeting held at all the sites. Major discussion issues are CMC Registration, AIGA selection & planning, Climate Change and adaptation, CPG activities, LDF Project Implementation, Eco cottage set up, Bird monitoring, Social forestry plantation, Exposure visit to WB-India, Kaptai National park Entry fee collection etc. ✓ Organized and conducted two-days Orientation courses including Grants management session for Dhopachari and Dudhpukuria CMCs separately ✓ Dudpukuria half yearly Co-Management council meeting held on 27 February 2012 at Dudpukuria beat office premise. ✓ Dudpukuria CMC office set up completed with furniture for CMC members. ✓ NSs' monthly meeting conducted in all sites (KNP, DDWS, SEP) to develop the capacity of NS so that they could play active role at VCF

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 3-days long training arranged for NSs/FO on 15-17 January 2012 at Dhopachari site to develop the capacity regarding AIGA/VC activities implementation, climate change and adaptation and community mobilization regarding conservation of forest by the community members.
Improved conservation management of Forest and Wetland Protected Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ FC Clubs, CPGs have conducted their regular meetings; Uniform distributed among 56 CPG members in Dudpukuria, 114 CPG members received jungle shoes and 20 torch lights distributed to CPG members of KNP and regular joint patrolling is continued with Forest Department. ✓ Weeding and regular monitoring is continued to the plantation under SFR in Dudpukuria ✓ One Spot based awareness meeting organized in Dhopachari to aware community where 80 participants attended. ✓ 01 miking program conducted at around the DDWS by Forest Dept. to stop illegal tree felling, encroachment, hunting, poaching etc. ✓ One new CPG has been formed at Dhopachari with total members of 20 and an Orientation also completed to aware their role, bio-diversity conservation, joint patrolling with FD etc. ✓ International Mother Language Day 2012 observed and an Art competition organized on 20th February 2012 in KNP with 60 participants were (M-42, F18). Also, National Victory Day 2012 observed jointly with Kaptai Upazila authority.
Increased number of people benefiting from AIGA/VC activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Continued facilitation and monitoring for the AIGA activities supported with Y3 inputs to 896 beneficiaries in 30 VCFs ✓ Preparatory works done for the Y4 AIGA input supports distribution among the selected VCFs (813 HHs from 28 VCFs) and trades include agro-forestry, fisheries, homestead vegetable gardening, weaving, etc. ✓ Remaining AIGA works will be implementing at Dhopachari, the new site
Increased benefits of eco-tourism opportunities for PA-dependent communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Two Exposure visits arranged over the quarter; one is for Kaptai NP CMC participants (CMC-7, FD-2, IPAC-1) on 26-27 December 2011 and another is for Dhopachari CMC participants (CMC-9, FD-4, IPAC-2) on 25 January 2012. All the visitors gained experiences on effective Co-management and PA entry fees sharing mechanism in Chunoti WS ✓ 02 Billboards regarding Responsible tourism has been set up in Litchubagan, Rangunia and Sitakunda Eco Park. ✓ One Entrepreneur of Dudhpukuria visited in Srimongal for gathering practical experience of Eco-cottage set up. He visited Radha Nagar eco-cottage, Lichibari Eco cottage and Lawachara forest. ✓ One Trails' brochure of Kaptai NP developed, published and distributed among potential clients. Another brochure of DDWS is under process of printing.
Development of GCC Adaptation Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Nishorgo Shahayaks continued discussion on climate change issues in monthly VCF meetings. VCFs participants are very much aware on their local climate change issues to be addressed

Effective Program Management and Monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Regular coordination and cooperation continued with GOB agencies (FD, DoF and DOE). CMCs and Forest officials are actively involved in IPAC activities in addition to LDF projects and monitor the program regular basis. ✓ Monthly staff coordination meetings held regular basis; consistent facilitation to the sites are continued
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Sylhet Cluster:

IPAC Sylhet Cluster works through the Protected Areas covering Upazilas of Kamolganj, Sreemongal, Moulvibazar sadar, Baorolekha, Juri, and Kulaura under Moulvibazar district; Chunarughat and Madhobpur under Hobiganj district; Sylhetsadar, Goain Ghat, Fenchuganj and Golapgonj under Sylhet district; and Daharmopasha and Tahirpur under Sunamganj district. The Cluster team rendered its best efforts for successful implementation of the Y4 Q3 planned activities in all PAs of forest, wetland and ECAs, with the continued technical support from IPAC and substantial collaboration of the GOB Depts. With consistent IPAC site based facilitation, the co-management network of Protected Areas made significant progress to their sustainability.

Over the Third Quarter, with regular conservation awareness programs and meetings, the cluster successfully accomplished Regional Nishorgo Network Executive Committee formation, and development of Climate Change Adaptation Plans. The cluster is in very good progress for AIGA Y4 input supports distribution prioritizing poor households, LDF and donor Projects' implementation, and CMOs' registration process and office renovations works going on, Eco-Tourism has gain remarkable progress, formation of new CPG, facilitation to meet challenges of wetland leasing issue.

Specific highlights in the Quarter include:

- Successfully facilitated RMOs in protecting leasing out steps of co-managed water bodies taken by Government and saved Baikka Beel permanent sanctuary from this initiative
- Jethua and Borgangina RMOs effectively facilitated and orient the Parliamentary visit team led by Chairman of Land ministry related Parliamentary Standing Committee
- Rolled out 3 LDF projects implementation at the field level; successfully completed all the planned works of Arannayk supported 3 projects; 2 new PPs development and submitted to Arannayk
- Resolved strong conflict that generated between influential of surrounding villages and VCGs regarding sanctuary protection of Hakaluki Haor, as other GoB declared sanctuary water bodies are being grabbed abundantly.
- CCF Mr. Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmed inaugurated the Construction work of Co-managed Nature Interpretation Center (CONIC) at Lawachara NP in presence of IPAC COP and FD High Officials
- During this peak tourism season in Bangladesh, facilitation continued to the three PAs that manages revenue sharing system, recorded the highest number of visitors' entry (Lawachara NP: 43,736; Satchari NP: 15,280; and Hail Haor: 1873)

The following table highlights the specific work of Sylhet cluster:

Outcomes	Outputs/Activities
Increased Capacity of CMOs for effective Co-management	<p>Quantitative and qualitative achievements of the cluster as per Y4 Q3 Work Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Social Welfare Registration of CMCs is in very good progress ✓ Continued facilitation and support to organize regular CMO meetings, attendance rate found above 78% with Female participation 90%. ✓ RKWS and SNP CMCs yearly Audit have been completed ✓ There are three sharing meetings held with District Cooperatives Officer for selected 4 VCFs' registration at Lawachara NP site. ✓ Quarterly meeting between DFO-Moulvibazar and LNP CMC held ✓ Facilitation for successful election of Two FRUGs (Mirzapur & Sreemongal), and monthly VCFs level meetings conducted regular basis ✓ For ensure better financial tracking SNP CMC opened a separate bank account for AF revolving fund and TH CCC for LDF fund.
Improved conservation management of Forest and Wetland Protected Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Support to regular CPGs, Youth Club meeting and other awareness facilitation is continued ✓ Issue based mass gathering held at Hail Haor addressing illegal fishing, fingerling catch stop and sanctuary protection, Total participant attended 350 (M-200, F150); also, Mass community gathering held at LNP site on illicit felling and roles and responsibilities of Social Forestry beneficiaries. Participants were 500 (M-350, F-150). ✓ Satchari formed a new CPG for assisting FD in protecting the forest ✓ World Wetland Day 2012 observed leading by Borogagina RMO. Participants attended 50 (M-40, F-10) ✓ 2 Interactive popular theater shows staged at LNP and RKWS site ✓ The indicator bird monitoring (5th round) at KNP conducted by 04 local bird watchers during January 14-16, 2012. ✓ 6 Community meetings held at Hakaluki Haor site where 167 participants (M-162 & F-07)) were present; also, 2 Communities meeting conducted at Tanguar Haor where 98 (M-64 & F-34) participants attended; They are made aware about wetland sanctuary management, climate change issues, bio-diversity conservation and swamp plantation, Adaptation plan, ICS, Nursery development, Safety water, etc. ✓ District level Nishorgo Networking sharing meeting held at Habigonj District in presence of the Minister of Social Welfare with other two MPs ✓ Facilitation continued for so many visitors at the PAs for academic and other purpose, which will enrich biodiversity conservation. Remarkable are as follows: A group 40 peoples (M-28 & F-12) from NAEM (National Academy for Education Management) visited Hakaluki Haor; 1 PhD student of BAU, Dept. of Fisheries visited Haor, khal, and beel of Hakaluki for his research work on Delha fish on 1st January'12.

<p>Increased number of people benefiting from AIG/VC activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Around 45% of HHs who received AIG input support in Y3 (600 HHs) have re-invested for further production ✓ 06 joint cultivation (group approach) is in practice in six separate plots by 106 beneficiary HHs of TH, HH & HLH ✓ Y4 conservation linked AIG Input support is in very good progress and is about to complete soon ✓ Facilitating linkage with Govt./private sources for technical input and monitoring is ongoing ✓ On 19th December 2011 IPAC Sylhet facilitated an excursion visit of socially disadvantaged women group led by the DD and Upazila Social Services Officials. The said group (F-46 & M-06) visited Mushroom project
<p>Increased benefits of eco-tourism opportunities for PA-dependent communities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ With continued facilitation, all the Eco-cottages and Eco-shops are running their business very well; also, Eco-Guides' income is increasing gradually ✓ Facilitated an orientation session on "Tourist management and professional behavior" for ticket counter supervisors, ticket checker and CMC AAO. ✓ Responsible tourism focused billboard is posted on the way to LNP & KNP. Beside another signboard on "Do and don't" for visitors posted by FD at front LNP CMC office. ✓ Assessing Carrying capacity of LNP, a comprehensive study in going on, which launched on February 16, 2012. ✓ Eco-tourism Campaign held though Marathon Race, which is organized jointly with Chunarughat Upazilla Administration and CMC. As part of observation of International Volunteers' day, the marathon went from Upazila sadar to Satchari Park gate on 5 Dec 2011 highlighting the tourism promotion ✓ An eco-round shed is made at Khadimnagar NP's 45 minutes trail. A trail bridge of bamboo has been provided near Baikkaa Beel wetland sanctuary of Hakaluki Haor. ✓ A responsible tourism billboard is posted at Sylhet-Tamabil road side near BADC Gate, Shahparan, Khadimpara Union, Sylhet. 10,000 responsible tourism focused posters are also posted in different locations of City, Upazila, Bus/rail stations, etc. of the cluster ✓ Facilitated an Excursion visit of Leading University of Sylhet, with 3.0hrs trail hiking and briefing about Nishorgo Network, concept of Co-management approach, Biodiversity conservation, Eco-tourism etc. Total 70 students and teachers (M-40 and F-30) under Dept. of Business Administration of the University took part in the event.
<p>Development of GCC Adaptation Plans</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Climate Change vulnerability assessment and adaptation plan development activity is completed by NSs through four step exercises at 276 Village level forums (VCF/VCG/RUG/VCC)
<p>Effective Program Management and Monitoring</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Regular coordination is ongoing with FD, DoF, and DoE ✓ DD fisheries, DFO Moulvibazar, UFO Barolekha visited Polovanga fish sanctuary (another GoB declared sanctuary) of Hakaluki Haor on 4th January 2012 while VCG members accompanied the team.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Divisional Commissioner (DoE) of Sylhet visited Baiya and Gajua fish sanctuaries on 28 January 2012. ✓ Program Coordinating Director of Haor Program visited Baiya and Gajua fish sanctuaries with UFO of Barolekha and a TV team on 05 February. They took some snapshots for a documentary film with the help of IPAC staff. ✓ UNO Fenchuganj, District Magistrate of Sylhet and Chief Trainer from Prime Minister Office visited Baiya and Gajua fish sanctuaries on 13 February 2012. ✓ Executive Director of CEGIS visited Baiya and Gajua fish sanctuaries on 20 February 2012 with his staff and 03 foreigners. ✓ Monthly Staff Coordination meetings, Site based facilitation and monitoring are conducted at all sites
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IPAC AIG/VC Activities:

IPAC continued to facilitate natural resources dependent HHs to engage in alternative income generation activity in support of forest and wetland conservation, gradually progressing toward PY 4 Work Plan targets. IPAC facilitated the spot orientation and provided different level of training for the beneficiaries of AIG and Value Chain. IPAC strengthened its strategic partnership with Aquaculture for Income and Nutrition program of World Fish Center, funded by USAID Feed the Future Initiative and implemented by the CODEC IPAC joint initiative at Bagerhat District (Khulna Division) at the south western delta of Bangladesh in the Sundarbans Landscape Zone. This initiative focuses on increasing the productivity of small fish farmers, develop farm management capacity and practice, linking with the back ward/forward markets for quality input and supply and ensuring the sources of nutrition intake at HH level.

During the Quarter, IPAC provided extensive facilitation for successful roll-out of PY 4 AIG VC planned activities in the field, covering 324 VCFs. IPAC's AIG VC Framework targeted local opportunity-based Agriculture, Fisheries, Agro forestry, Bamboo & other handicrafts and Eco-tourism sectors in a structured, participatory manner which heavily involved local stakeholders. At the same time, IPAC strengthened its relationship with private sector for smooth operation of existing Value chain of Eco Tourism, Handicraft and Bamboo Products.

Specific highlights in the Quarter include:

- A Total 1874 beneficiaries receive AIG support. Among them 1) SE Cluster- 1103 HH, 2) Sylhet Cluster- 571 HH, 3) Sundarbans Cluster – 120 HH & 4) Central Cluster – 80 HH
- Many of the Agriculture and Fish Farmers harvested their products and many of them were in a cyclic production process and able to create better income and nutritional sources with the Y3 AIG VC supports
- A Total 8000 women-led HH (VCF & Non VCF HH) were selected for AIN-WFC Project in the Sundarbans Landscape Zone.
- Total 40 nursery managers were selected for AIN-WFC project, in the Sundarbans Landscape Zone.

The following table highlights the specific work of AIG/VC:

AIG/VC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 8000 women farmers identified for fish culture at Bagerhat District of Sundarbans Landscape zone with collaboration of AIN-WFC-CODEC under the Feed the Future initiative. ✓ Cox Bazaar Cluster compete support to AIG beneficiaries of 2400 participants as per the year 4 target.
Improving Cooking Stoves (ICS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 410 ICS installed at Saronkhola in collaboration with GIZ – IPAC ✓ Turag-Bangsi RMO received 75000 taka from GIZ for installation of 200 ICS ✓ GIZ – IPAC joint model initiated at Kaptai
Responsible/nature Tourism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Kaptai trail brochure published and distributed ✓ DDWS Eco-cottage work started & entrepreneur been explored Srimangal cottages ✓ One group of proposed Eco-cottage entrepreneur explored Srimangal cottages ✓ Carrying capacity analysis started by Bitopi Sinha for LNP ✓ Teknaf ecotourism promoter started work ✓ Lawachara CONIC been inaugurated by CCF under PPP fund ✓ Hail Haor CONIC work is ongoing.
Bamboo, Handicrafts and Weaving Value chain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Madhupur Bamboo product Exhibited Hatil show room of DITF ✓ Madhupur Bamboo producer group received order from Hatil and work is going on. ✓ Madhupur Bamboo producer group received another order from Arong and work almost finished. ✓ Dolubari weaving group received order from Arong and work is going on.

3.6 ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

This Quarter was a busy quarter for the IPAC Administration and Finance team. Apart from providing continued support to the smooth implementation of the planned activities, time and effort were extended to activities aimed to consolidate and strengthen CMOs sustainability, scaling up the AIG activities, LDF implementations, Applied Research Fellowship Workshop, capacity building of GOB officials, an intensive review of the budget situations both for IRG and subcontractors, support to DPP revisions, VIP visits to IPAC project sites and ground works for the next Steering Committee meeting. The Year 4 overseas trainings of GOB officials were initiated during this reporting Quarter.

A brief summary of the significant activities is enumerated below:

- **GoB DPPs:** The DPP of the DOF has made notable progress. It has been revised as per the recommendations of the Planning Commission, reviewed and cleared by the MoFL and sent to Planning Commission for processing approval by the ECNEC. As of end of the Quarter, the MoFL awaiting confirmation from the Planning Commission of when it will be placed to ECNEC. The revised DPP of the FD is on hold pending recommendations of the IPAC Steering Committee (SC) on the revisions proposed. IPAC worked with the FD and provided necessary inputs on the SC meeting working paper. The DPP for DOE is also in a stalemate situation partly due to the Steering Committee meeting recommendation and partly due clarity issues between the MoEF and DOE. DOE seems convinced to have addressed earlier to the comments made by the MoEF on the DPP and thus, is uncomfortable seeing the repetitions. However, IPAC is working jointly with DOE in preparing the responses again. The recast DPP is however ready for submission to the MoEF.
- **IPAC Subcontracts:** As the project matures, an intensive review of the subcontracts budgets has become essential. The need is also further steered by the full-scale implementation of AIG, strengthening of CPGs and CMOs, training and staffing needs in all IPAC clusters. Based on the review, the field office has worked very closely with the IRG home office for internal budget modifications keeping the total approved subcontract ceiling unchanged. The following subcontract related activities have been implemented during this quarter:
 - Completed review of the overall IPAC subcontractors budgets;
 - Obtained revised budgets from the pertinent subcontractors and their in-depth review;
 - Reallocated additional resources for the major field implementing subcontractors by reducing budgets from those having abundant;
 - Second round LDF funded activities initiated including partial payment for the first-round projects, and new proposals initiated for financing through Arannayk Foundation (AF);
 - Implementing of new swamp plantation in NE cluster completed and the maintenance of plantations done during NSP period in the SE cluster is in progress;
 - Provided support for renovating offices for the new CMCs;
 - Provided logistics the CPG members;
 - Completed third year audit of all local subcontractors and reports provided.
- **Staffing:** In the reporting quarter, there has not been any change in the staffing at the IPAC head office. The IPAC project office at the FD has been functioning at full scale. The training team has continued to function from their new work place at the FD. IPAC completed hiring a new Accountant to assist with the significant work-load. IRG received the mission's approval for the recommended candidate who has the project from January 1, 2012.

During this quarter, two TDY requests have been submitted to the mission. While the Eco-tourism consultant has been approved and started working from mid-February 2012 but IPAC still awaits approval for the REDD Specialist. In addition, IRG has submitted an LOE and rate approval request for a Project Associate for providing essential backstopping at IRG home office. As of end of this quarter, USAID approval is awaited.

- **Quality Control:** IPAC continued to submit the periodic administrative and financial reports to the mission on time. They included budget and burn-rate analysis, quarterly accruals, quarterly financial progress reports etc. Monthly VAT reports are also submitted on time. As the FD-DDP is approved, the monthly GOB progress reports have been submitted to the FD. IPAC received 3rd Year final audit reports of all local subcontractors and circulated accordingly. The quality of IPAC computers and peripherals has been further upgraded during this quarter. This required procurement of some new computers and related software. This has enabled IPAC staffs using upgraded equipment in most cases and thus led to increased functional abilities.

During the quarter, IPAC continued to conduct visual compliances for new vendors and consultants including facilitating IRG mandated staff training courses for new employees. The mandated FCPA approvals relating GOB officials' in-country and overseas trainings, project site visits have been completed and received on time.

During the quarter, the administration unit prepared a detailed budget analysis for the remainder project period. This is prepared by-month basis, and provides a unique tool for monitoring and finding out where specific attention is required including enabling reallocation of resources from one line item to another.

Some Significant Administrative and Finance Works: Other notable achievements during this reporting period are enumerated below:

- The last Applied Research Fellowship Write Shop under IPAC applied research program has been completed during this quarter in coordination with the EWC, USA and the WorldFish (WFC), Dhaka. Dr. Jefferson Fox, Senior Researcher and two facilitators from the EWC lead this write-shop in coordination with the WFC. This was three-week long workshop and a series of administrative support covering three TDYers travel approvals, country clearances, accommodation, equipment support, airport pickup and drop have been extended. IRG worked closely with the WFC in preparing a detailed budget for the workshop and provided much needed support in venue preparation and participants' accommodation.
- Two Applied Conservation Biology and Co-management training have been taken up during this quarter each one with one-month long duration. The first one has been completed at the Fisheries Training Academy (FTA), Savar with participants from government and non-government organizations. The second course is ongoing and scheduled for completion on March 17, 2012. This one is being conducted in a different venue (SHNYC) also located in Savar as FTA was unavailable. IPAC supports included working jointly with the JU-IUB in finalizing budgets, venue preparations, providing equipment installation support, field visits etc.
- One study tour of 12 GOB officials and one cross-site visit IPAC stakeholders were initiated during the quarter. The study tour was planned during March 4 – 11, 2012 period and the 12 participants are comprised of the officials from the three GOB agencies, MoEF, Planning Commission, ERD and IMED. The IPAC Capacity Building Specialist has been approved to lead the team. Due to time constraints the tour did not happen and now being rescheduled for April 15 – 21, 2012 period. IPAC has notified the concerned of this change on time. The cross-site visit of the stakeholders is progressing as of end of the quarter. Nomination of the stakeholders has been nearly completed and the visit is scheduled for April 15 – 21, 2012. The three months long Certificate Diploma Course at the Wildlife Institute of India (WII), Dehradun, India attended by a group of 3 GOB officers have completed during this quarter.
- IPAC organized a three-day long VIP visit to the sites in the Sundarbans. The team was composed of the Secretary, MoFL, Joint Secretary, MoFL, DG – DOF, IPAC PD and other senior officials from the MoFL and DOF. The team visited various project sites and observed AIG activities, met with the beneficiaries and CMOs, FD, DOF and IPAC project officials. IPAC provided logistics support to the team to make this important visit a success.

- Following recommendations of the Grants Review Committee (GRC) and USAID approvals, IPAC has provided LDF to the selected CMOs. In addition, the residual payments for the first round projects were made during this quarter. As the IPAC LDF provision is very limited, initiatives have been taken to leverage funds for some newly formed CMOs through the Arannayk Foundation. A number of project proposals have been prepared with the assistance of IPAC team and are nearly ready for submission to AF as of end of the quarter. The IPAC finance team worked closely with the Grants Manager in providing administrative and financial management trainings to the CMC Accounts Officers.
- Project administration continued to provide support and assistance to the communications team. Apart from the printing of various communications materials, a significant amount of administrative support was extended to the American Week held at Chittagong. Supports included preparing various communication materials, stall products, transportation and other logistics. All these communication materials followed the approved branding policy of USAID.
- The construction of the Visitors Information Center at Baikka Beel has progressed further. The soil test was completed and the construction works will get underway soon. IPAC Socio-economic Advisor has worked closely with CNRS and Module Architects in finalizing the engineering designs, materials estimate, electrical and plumbing designs and getting the work underway immediately. The construction work is likely to begin from early next quarter. Similarly, the construction of CONIC at Lawachara National Park got its momentum this quarter. In the reporting quarter, two new donors namely, Berger Paints and BSRM Steel have shown interest contributing to this long pending important activity. During this period, bids for construction were invited, received, evaluated and a qualified contract has been selected. It is expected that the work order will be issued in early March the construction to begin by mid-March 2012.
- IPAC has initiated actions for useful and effective use of the furniture and fixture that were turned-in from the USAID's ICEA project and presently stored in the warehouse. The targeted beneficiaries are some new CMOs formed under the IPAC that do most deserve from functionality and sustainability viewpoints. During the reporting quarter, IPAC has identified some new CMOs needing such support, obtained their formal requests and made some ground works for USAID CO approval for property disposition. Meantime, IPAC is also in receipt of a requisition from NARUC, another USAID funded energy project who requested for some furniture and fixture items turned-in from the ICEA project. IPAC administration is working closely with USAID for its decision on disposition of these properties.

3.7 PERFORMANCE MONITORING

The Performance Monitoring Team continues to provide technical support and guidance to project implementing teams and the CMOs towards sustainability of the CMOs platforms. This Quarter, the focus was on institutionalizing the CMOs through capacity building, networking, implementation of AIGA round-2 and CMOs' projects from LDF and leverage supports from Arannyak Foundation, GIZ and AIN project. The Team was also active in the development of community-level climate change adaptation plans, building capacity of Nishorgo Shahayaks, PA landscape mapping and supporting the co-management impact assessment. Highlights of the major actions in this quarter are as follows:

- **Strengthening of the CMOs:** Based on last CMOs' self-assessment in April, 2011, the team paid significant emphasis, particularly in forest CMOs, to strengthen their institutional legacy and building management and administrative capacity focusing on pro-poor and gender development, along with active services from implementing partners. Upcoming assessment for all 45 CMOs will be conducted in next Quarter.
- **Landscape Mapping of PA sites:** Detailed land-use mapping of PA landscapes for IPAC PA sites (except Teknaf ECA) were finalized and shared with site teams. Further, maps for 21 resource management plans were developed and used in concerned document. Map data mostly collected from partners' GIS/Remote sensing archives, IRS data procured from India and Google map while mapping works has been done using ARC-GIS and ERDAS Imagine software at RIMS Unit of Forest Department. These maps are being used in community discussions and new information is constantly being generated through the application of GPS at field sites especially for mapping walking trails, PA surrounding VCF locations, bird monitoring transacts etc. An atlas of IPAC PA site is being developed and will be finalized in early next quarter.
- **Indicator Forest Bird Monitoring:** This is a proxy-indicator to portray biophysical changes in IPAC PA sites. Local bird watchers and volunteers from Bangladesh Bird Club (BBC) finalized June-Dec 2011 hands-on bird survey orientations in 5 PAs while locals alone conducted the survey in Jan/2012 using same designs in same transacts. Given some supports for logistics and guidebooks, it is noticeable that these local enumerators made significant progress in identification of indicator birds through viewing and/or sounds, became familiar with design and defined transacts. In coming quarter, this bird monitoring program will be extended in 10 sites including NSP pilot PAs, as end of project assessment. It is expected that 5 local bird watchers will be readily available in each of 10 PA sites to sustain this monitoring process.
- **Fish Catch Monitoring:** In order to measure the changes in wetland ecosystems of PA sites, The WorldFish Center has been regularly collecting fish catch monitoring data on fish catch, biodiversity, length frequency and gear in 14 wetland spots. These are wetland systems of Sylhet (Hail Haor), Central (Turag-Bangshi river basin and Kangsha-Malijhee river basin) and Sundarbans (data from fish landing points) clusters since early 2010. A comprehensive report has been completed in this quarter based on one-year data from Hail Haor, Kangsha-Malijhee and Turag-Bongshi river basin. Results show a significant increase of production and fish diversity, in Hail Haor, Kangsha-Malijhee river basin, compared to MACH project's end assessment in 2008.
- **Evaluation of LDF projects:** Landscape Development Funds (LDFs) are USAID's small grants to the CMOs for implementing their own projects at PA landscapes to enhance biodiversity conservation and enhancement of livelihoods of poor dependent communities. IPAC monitoring team, in reporting quarter, took the initiative for internal evaluation of 7 completed LDF projects focusing the link and contribution of the LDF projects towards building CMOs' planning, implementing, financial and management capacity; contributions to PA resource conservation, scale of livelihood supports to communities in needs and its link with climate change adaptation at PA site level. The findings of these evaluations will be finalized in next quarter.

- **Supports to project implementation:** IPAC monitoring team, particularly 4 PMA research associates, at clusters, has been actively supporting project implementation through capacity building of the CMOs, strengthening coordination with stakeholders, AIGA and LDF project implementation, maintaining database on project achievements and many other technical supports required for the project. Furthermore, active supports are provided for extending wetland leasing issue, implementation of AIN, AF, GIZ leverage projects. All these supports to the project mainly prioritize sustainability of Nishorgo Network – a platform of the CMOs in the country. One of the regular tasks of the Performance Monitoring is assisting the implementing team in ensuring quality and reporting of the completed activities at field sites in line with work plan and PMP indicators.

3.8 IMPLEMENTATION ISSUES

IPAC activities are moving forward at a robust pace, and there is an increased focus on long-term sustainability of IPAC's work at the national and field levels. Sustainability at the national level is being achieved through the establishment of a policy and legal framework that establishes co-management as Bangladesh's approach to protected area management. Ensuring sustainability at the field level is a greater challenge as IPAC strives to achieve impressive results during the life of the project while simultaneously building human resources, institutional capacity and a financial base to sustain this into the future. Specific issues that will require focus and attention over the next Quarter include the following:

- There is continued confusion about release of \$2.5 million of local currency financing to IPAC GoB partners from RPA sources for essential infrastructure as well as plantation establishment and maintenance work. IPAC GoB partners have requested clarification regarding the possible re-programming of RPA resources. This has stopped DPP-planned work during the current GoB fiscal year and is likely to put a strain on professional relationships. Related to this, while the FD DPP is approved, DoF and DoE still do not have approved DPPs.
- Wetland lease policy remains obfuscated and is increasingly a political rather than technical issue. IPAC continues to support Department of Fisheries and attend relevant GoB meetings on this issue. While it appears that MACH wetland lease agreements may be extended, intentions of the Ministry of Land to provide leases to politically connected elite are worrying. IPAC is trying to address this issue through technical and political engagement with national and local government officials, building public awareness to the issue through media, and encouraging CBOs to pursue their cases through the legal system.
- IPAC has submitted a PIN to the BioCarbon Fund and is seeking market opportunities for to leverage forest-carbon finance for the BRAPAP bundled initiative for 6 Protected Areas. IPAC notes that the international market for forest-carbon finance remains weak with supply of projects in excess of market demand. The BioCarbon Fund itself is losing investors. IPAC also notes that the process of bringing to market a forest-carbon finance deal is time consuming. The lack of a national baseline or strategy for Bangladesh exacerbates this. IPAC worries that the carbon market will continue to be weak through the life of the project. While IPAC will bring proposals to market, actual financing will likely remain problematic.
- IPAC has made monumental contributions to conservation by co-management for the Sundarbans. This includes the recently-approved Integrated Resources Management Plan that integrated forests and wetland conservation of the Sundarbans for the first time, as well as the CRISP forest-carbon finance initiative under review by the BioCarbon Fund. In the field, a strong platform of 4 CMCs and 209 VCFs is in place. With the recent MOUs signed between Bangladesh and India for Sundarbans conservation, this would be an excellent time to initiate a significant trans-boundary event.
- IPAC Performance Monitoring Plan targets specifically related to number of people deriving economic benefits from co-management and number of people deriving benefits from improved cooking stoves (ICS) are unrealistically high and ought to be adjusted downward for 2012, 2013 and life of project. This is especially important in terms of guiding program technical and financial focus to CMO sustainability. If IPAC invests heavily in economic benefits and/or improved cooking stoves, it will have to be at a trade-off to institutional strengthening and human resources development required for CMO sustainability.

3.9 IMPLEMENTATION PRIORITIES FOR NEXT QUARTER

Below are the main priorities for IPAC in the upcoming 4th Quarter of Program Year 4:

Component I: Program Strategy and Policy, Conservation Financing and Communications

Program Strategy and Policy:

- Track Sundarbans forest carbon finance project proposal to the BioCarbon Fund.
- Explore opportunities to bring to market the Project Concept Note for Bangladesh REDD+ARR Protected Areas Project (BRAPAP) forest carbon finance proposal.
- Track review and approval process of the Sundarbans reserve Forest Revenue Sharing Guidelines.
- Track and support policy reform in support of forest and wetland PA conservation based on co-management, including revised Forest Act and Wildlife Act.
- Finalize and ensure 21 co-management plans are effectively under implementation.
- Finalize PA Co-Management Assessment, after peer review, to demonstrate effectiveness of co-management as a paradigm shift for PA conservation in Bangladesh.

Communications and Constituency Building:

- Co-Management Congress in Dhaka with Ministers, USAID Mission Director and US Ambassador to celebrate co-management in Bangladesh and facilitate the establishment of a national body to guide this into the future, on March 23-24.
- Continuation of Nishorgo Network Responsible Tourism Campaign.
- Work with USAID and Arannayk Foundation on US Ambassador-MoEF Minister visit to Dudpukuria on April 2-3.
- Continued youth engagement activities.

Conservation Financing and Partnerships:

- Conduct R1 project's close out process including final progress and financial reporting, and auditing; also continue regular technical facilitation and field monitoring for the Round 2 LDF Grant funded projects' implementation
- Facilitate the Grants Agreement signing between Arannayk and awarded CMOs to be commenced the submitted projects
- Continue technical support for ramped-up GIZ Chunati project activities including collection of loan repayments
- Finalization of the Grants & Financial Training Module and publication
- Develop new LDF Project proposal and commence for implementation of Round 3 at the Dhopachari in Chittagong/CHT based on fund availability
- Commence construction work for CONIC with the existing contributions; also continue striving to leverage support for forest-carbon finance work.

Component II:

Capacity Building:

- Close 4th Round Applied Conservation Biology Course in March.
- Cross-site visit in Nepal will be held in April, 2012. Fourteen GoB Officials from FD, DoF and DoE will participate in the visit.
- Cross-site visit in Northern West Bengal, India will be held in April, 2012. Sixteen local stakeholders i.e., CMOs members and Range Officers will participate in the visit.
- District level GoB officers orientation sessions and Upazila level GoB officer's orientation sessions on Nishorgo Network.
- Customized AIG/VC courses.

Component III:

Site Specific Implementation:

- Continue ICS installation in collaboration with GIZ through new pilot initiatives.
- Continue input support distribution to newly selected beneficiaries of farming activities in particular Fish farmers and Vegetable Gardeners, and ensure continued supply-chain between producer groups and markets.
- Strengthen private sector linkages to promote eco-tourism opportunities linked with respective Protected Areas and strengthening PA entry fee system adopted by new CMOs.
- Execute Climate Change Adaptation Plan and facilitate funding opportunities to implement these plans.
- Registration of all CMOs.
- Completion of Nishorgo Network landscape maps.

Project Management:

- Pursue final approval of all 3 DPPs and track RPA funding.
- ICEA inventory distribution of items stored with Homebound.
- Prepare IPAC 4th Year Annual Report and 5th Year Work Plan.

Performance Monitoring

- CMO Scorecard Assessment, Round 2, in March 2012.
- Indicator Bird Monitoring.
- LDF and AIG activity evaluations.
- Finalization of Landscape Maps and boundaries.

ANNEX I- ACTIVITY CALENDAR

The following summarizes IPAC activities for the Fourth Year, Second Quarter, September-November, 2011

DECEMBER -2011

- Dec 1 Inaugural ceremony of 4th Batch Training on Applied Conservation Biology and Co-management at Fisheries Training Academy, Savar
Management visit to Srimangal
Philip DeCosse Arrives
- Dec 4 Meeting with Ms. Pamela George, WFC and CODEC at IPAC Office
IPAC Technical Coordination Meeting
- Dec 7 Meeting with Humayun Kabir and Pamela George, Acting Chief of Party, Aquaculture for Income and Nutrition (AIN), WorldFish, Bangladesh
Meeting with FAO Representatives in Bangladesh
- Dec 9 Arrival of Ms. Susan M Turnquist, Senior Program Manager, IRG/Washington –Short-Term
Meeting with World Bank at American Club
- Dec 9-16 Ms. Susan M Turnquist, Senior Program Manager, IRG/Washington –Short-Term to meet various GOB & USAID Counterparts and IPAC officials
- Dec 11 IPAC Contract and Budget Meeting with Philip DeCosse at IPAC Office
Philip DeCosse and others meeting with Ramona El Hamzaoui, Director, Economic Growth Office, USAID/Dhaka
- Dec 12 USAID Partners Training on Guideline on Fraud at American Club
Follow-up visit of Applied Conservation Biology and Co-management at Fisheries Training Academy, Savar
- Dec 13 Meeting with Mr. Farid Uddin Ahmed, Executive Director, Arannyak Foundation at IPAC Office for Potential future funding by Arannyak Foundation
IPAC Dhaka Staff Meeting regarding preparation of the USAID Senior Management Team visit to IPAC
Philip DeCosse Departs
- Dec 14 Meeting with Mr. Md. Yunus Ali, Project Director, IPAC at the Forest Department
Attended Farewell for Dennis Sharma by Richard Greene, Mission Director, USAID/Dhaka

- Dec 15 Meeting with the USAID Senior Management Team at IPAC Office
- Dec 16 Ms. Susan M Turnquist, Senior Program Manager, IRG/Washington departs
- Dec 18 Partners meeting on Co-management Congress at IPAC Office followed by Lunch
- Power Point Presentation on the (IPAC) Project: Building a Network of Protected Areas to Sustain Development and Adapt to Climate Change
- Dec 21 Meeting with World Bank at IPAC Office
- Dec 31 Closing ceremony of the 4th Batch Training on Applied Conservation Biology and Co-management
- JANUARY - 2012**
- Jan 4 Meeting with CIRDAP to prepare regional site visit
- Jan 5 Meeting on Wetland Leasing at FD
- Visit by CCF at Chunoti to handover the Rickshaw and Van to CPG member under GIZ project
- Jan 8-9 Visit to Chittagong to the progress of CMC activities
- Jan 9 Quarterly meeting with DFO and CMC at Jaldi (Banskhali Eco Park)
- Meeting with the Chief Conservator of Forests at FD
- Jan 11 Meeting with Dr. Ali Azher and Mr. Humayun from DOF at IPAC office
- Meeting with USAID regarding preparation for the America Week and event of CONIC at Lawachara National Park
- Rehearsal at FAO Mission
- Co-Management Committee meeting at Tenaf
- Jan 12 50th Year Celebration of USAID at Radisson Hotel
- Jan 14 Co-Management Council Meeting at Whykong
- Jan 16 Chief Conservator of Forests inaugurated the function and laid foundation stone of CONIC at Lawachara National Park
- Jan 17 Management visit to Chittagong sites
- Jan 18 Meeting with Ms. Mehnaz Haider an evaluator of food security initiative of the USG of Chicago Council at the Embassy
- Co-Management Committee Meeting at Shilkhali
- Jan 19 Co-Management Council Meeting at Jaldi
- Jan 22 Arrival of Mr. Jefferson Fox, Bryan Bushley and Stephen M. Brennan from EWC, Hawaii, Honolulu, USA to conduct the EWC Applied Research Writeshop at SEL Nibash, Green Road, Dhaka
- Jan 22 Inauguration of the EWC Writeshop at the SEL NIBASH, located at 30 Green Road, Dhaka
- Jan 23 Farewell of Mr. Istiaq Uddin Ahmad, CCF of FD will be held at Flambe Restaurant

- Meeting on Reformation of Fasiakhali Wildlife Sanctuary (FWS) Co-Management Committee (CMC)
- Jan 25 Meeting on Reformation of Fasiakhali Wildlife Sanctuary (FWS) Co-Management Committee (CMC)
- Meeting on Reformation of Medhacachhapia National Park (MKNP) Co-Management Committee (CMC)
- Jan 26 Co-Management Committee Meeting at Himchari National Park (HNP)
- Jan 27 Co-Management Committee Meeting at Chunati Wildlife Sanctuary (CWS)
- Jan 29 IPAC Technical Coordination Meeting at IPAC, Banani, Dhaka Office
- Jan 30-1 Feb U.S. Embassy's 2012 America Week Celebration in Chittagong
- COP and IPAC Communication Team Joined US Embassy's 2012 America Week Celebration in Chittagong and take part into the Patenga Beach Cleanup program

FEBRUARY– 2012

- Feb 3-5 Visit to the Sundarbans by Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock (MOFL) and Department of Fisheries (DOF)
- Feb 6 Meeting with Chief Conservator of Forest re: PA Management Rules - 2011
- Feb 6-9 DCOP attended REDD+ workshop at Nepal
- Feb 7 IPAC Dhaka Technical Team Leaders meeting on the preparation of Co-management Congress
- Follow-up meeting on PA Management Rules -2012 at Forest Department
- Feb 12 Inaugural session of Launching ceremony of the Strengthening Regional Cooperation for Wildlife Protection Project Ball Room, Sonargaon Hotel, Dhaka
- Bittapi C. Sinha, Eco-Tourism Management Specialist from Wildlife Institute of India, Dehra Dun, India arrives
- Feb 13 Meeting with Mr. Farid Uddin Ahmed, Executive Director, Arannayk Foundation at Arannayk Office
- Meeting with Mr. Ishtiaq Uddin Ahmad, Country Representative, IUCN, Mr. Farid Uddin Ahmed, Executive Director, Arannayk Foundation at IPAC Office
- Outreach and Communications Retreat with Implementing Partners to share about the communication plan at the American Recreation Association (ARA)
- Feb 15 EWC Writeshop Dinner at Chilis Chinese Restaurant, DRA H 32 R 11 (New)
- Feb 16 Closing Workshop on EWC Applied Research Fellowship Program at Forest Department, Conference room 1, Agargaon, Dhaka
- Feb 17 Launching ceremony of 5 year- long campaign that sundarban mayer moton organized by WTB at Khulna University
- Feb 18 REDD+ Readiness workshop held at Madhupur organized by UNDP
- 40th Anniversary Event of Concern Worldwide, at the Premises of the Parliament Members Club

- Feb 19 Meeting with the Minister for Environment of Ireland, Mr. John Gormley, Mr. Saroj Dash, our Technical Coordinator of Concern Worldwide to share with climate change adaptation issues in the Bay of Bengal
- Opening Applied Conservation Biology and Co-management training at SHYNC, Savar
- Meeting with CNRS
- Feb 20 Meeting with Mr. Asaduzzaman, Consultant, and Mr. Karsten Schroeder, Technical Advisor, GIZ Sundarbans Project
- Meeting with Mr. J. Michael Biddison, Chief of Party, Bangladesh Energy Regulatory Assistance Program Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Meeting with Mr. Nam Kyung Kim from Korea to interview COP/DCOP/PPP of Integrated Protected Area Co-Management (IPAC) Project, in terms of their research work on Private Partnership (PPP) in Green ODA at IPAC Office
- Meeting with Prof. Haroun-Er-Rashid, IUB, Plot 16, Aftabuddin Road, Basundhara to discuss about the venue set up for the event of CMO Congress
- Meeting with Chief Conservator of Forests, Director General, DOF regarding Sundarbans Fisheries Resources held at the Forest Department
- REDD+ Readiness workshop held at Srimangol organized by UNDP
- Feb 22 Regional Conference in Khulna on Community Based Adaptation to Climate Change at the Auditorium of the Khulna University organized by Concern Worldwide
- Meeting with IUCN Bangladesh to discuss about their participation in the CMO Congress
- Feb 23 Meeting with Mr. Subrata Mazumdar, Director, IDG, The Louis Berger Ltd. at IPAC Office to know more about IPAC Project
- Feb 26 Meeting with IUCN Program officer about the follow-up of CMO Congress
- Feb 27 Meeting with Dr. Lumiar, GIZ to discuss about the IPAC Project at IPAC Office
- Feb 28 Brief meeting with Ms. Elain R. Wright, Director for Global Programs-School of Social Work _Tulane University, New Orleans, USA
- Feb 29 Meeting with IPAC Dhaka Team Leaders on the progress of CMO Congress at IPAC Office
- Round Table on Avian Biodiversity conservation at Pasua and TanguarHaor-VIP lounge, National Press Club

ANNEX 2 - IPAC REPORTS AND DELIVERABLES

IPAC reports and deliverables prepared and submitted to USAID during the second Quarter of the fourth Annual Work Plan include the following:

- ✓ Fourth Year Second Quarterly Progress Report, September-November, 2011
- ✓ Fourth Year Second Quarterly Financial Tracking Report, September-November, 2011
- ✓ IPAC Fish Catch Monitoring Report
- ✓ Nishorgo Network Newsletter Year 4, No.3, Date of Issue: December, 2011
- ✓ State of Protected Areas, 2010. February, 2012
- ✓ Sundarbans Revenue Sharing Guidelines draft. January, 2012.
- ✓ Sundarbans Revenue Sharing Guidelines draft in Bangla. February, 2012.
- ✓ IPAC Co-Management Impact Assessment draft. February, 2012.
- ✓ America Week Project Power Point: Building a Network of Protected Areas to Sustain Development and Adapt to Climate Change. January, 2012.
- ✓ Documentation of Nishorgo Network Responsible Tourism products including posters and billboards. January, 2012.

ANNEX 3 - PERFORMANCE TARGETS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Table 1: Performance Targets and achievements through Program Year 4 Quarter 3 (through February 2012)

Sl.	Indicators	Unit	Program Target (June 2008 - May 2013)	PY 4 Work Plan Target (June 2011 - May 2012)	Achievement: (PY4Qrt2); Sept-Nov 2011	Achievement: (PY4Qrt3); Dec/11-Feb/2012	Remarks	Cumulative Achievement: (Through PY4Qrt3; Feb 2012)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Number of hectares under improved natural resource management as a result of USG assistance.	ha	716,500	716,500	462,059	0	Formation of CMOs and endorsement of the IRMP by GOB contributed considerable achievements in earlier Quarters. Not measured this Quarter.	686,706
2	Number of hectares in areas of biological significance under improved management as a result of USG assistance.	ha	600,000	600,000	462,000	0	GOB's endorsement of IRMP approves to adopt co-management for entire Sundarbans (including 139,000 ha for 3 PA and 462,000 ha rest reserved forests). Not measured this Quarter.	632,135

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
3	Number of hectares of natural resources showing improved biophysical conditions as a result of USG assistance.	ha	3a. Landscape only-2000; 3b. Core+ landscape - 302,000	3a. Landscape only 1500 3b Core+ landscape 201,500	3a. Landscape only: 59 3b Core+ landscape 38,652	3a. Landscape only: 8 3b Core+ landscape 8	Landscape areas of direct project intervened areas are taken into as 3a while it combines with core PA areas in 3b.	3a. Landscape only- 896 3b. Core+ landscape - 46,321
4	Number of hectares in areas of biological significance showing improved biophysical conditions as a result of USG assistance.	ha	300,000	200,000	38,592	0	Detailed assessment of this indicator is being made through indicator bird counts in 10 forest PAs and fish catch monitoring in 3 wetland PAs; it will be visible by the end of project, when improvements are more likely to be large enough to be detected. Not measured this Quarter.	45,425
5	Number of policies, laws, agreements or regulations promoting sustainable natural resource management and conservation that are implemented	Nos.	20	15	1	0	No significant policy outcome in this quarter; however a number of policy supports are being reviewed at highest GOB offices and expected that these will be approved soon.	16

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	as a result of USG assistance.							
6	Number of people with increased economic benefits derived from sustainable natural resource management and conservation as a result of USG assistance.	Pers.	500,000	350,000	91,079 (F-44,213)	7,618 (F-3,698)	Progress so far is well below the target however, the coverage of indirect beneficiaries including the coverage population of climate change plans will eventually reach program target.	177,932 (F-86,375)
7	Number of people receiving USG supported training in natural resources management and/or biodiversity conservation.	Pers.	20,000	18,000	807 (F-195)	724 (F-245)	Training is on track and a necessary step in building capacity and constituency for co-management: local stakeholders are being trained in natural resource management, climate change adaptation, biodiversity conservation and enterprise skills.	18,049 (F-5,754)
8	Number of people with increased adaptive capacity to cope with	Pers.	8a. 200,000 8b. 70,000	8a. 150,000 8b. 40,000	8a. 7,855 8b. 384	8a. 30,844 8b. 18,784	Awareness rising in communities around PAs has continued covering a large number of communities, and already exceeds the end of project target. This is a first step to achieving indicator 8b.	8a. aware: 279,742; 8b. Adapt: 32,834

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	impacts of climate variability and change as a result of USG assistance.						8b. In addition to LDF coverage, people from 900 village conservation forums within PA landscapes has been involved in the process of Climate change adaptation through planning. Due to administrative reasons, not all have been reported this Quarter.	
9	Greenhouse gas emissions, measured in metric tons CO2 equivalent, reduced or sequestered as a result of USG assistance in natural resources management, agriculture and/or biodiversity sector. (metric Ton CO2e).	ton	300,000	200,000	-	0	This is based on the areas of forest that have come under co-management and the use of the USAID GHG calculator estimates of resulting incremental forest growth/ reduced deforestation yearly. Not measured this Quarter.	266,475 t
10	Number of people in target areas with access to improved drinking water supply as a result of USG assistance.	Pers.	30,000	25,000	0	3,456 (F-1678)	Substantial achievements are already made mostly in Cox's bazar and Sundarban ECAs; Further substantive achievements are not expected as the project is now supporting communities to address their other priorities.	112,072 (F-54,404)

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
11	Number of people receiving USG supported training in environmental law, enforcement, public participation, and cleaner production policies, strategies, skills and techniques.	Pers.	750	600	173 (F-1)	0	Program target has been achieved meanwhile as a priority for CMOs' sustainability.	767 (F-104)
12	Number of people receiving USG supported training in global climate change including framework convention on climate change, greenhouse gas inventories, mitigation, and adaptation analysis.	Pers.	100	75	-	0	The 2011 and end of project targets had already been very considerably exceeded in 2010 with the aim of enabling Bangladesh to develop proposals for carbon financing.	441 (F-51)
13	Number of individuals benefiting from use of improved	Pers.	44,800	36,400	408 (F-198)	2098 (F-1018)	A new IPAC-GIZ initiative has been piloting at Khulna cluster and will be scaled up in other clusters in upcoming quarters. Through other promotion and leverage initiatives the achievements	12,713 (F-6,171)

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	stove and bio-gas plants.						project target will be fulfilled.	
14	Market and non-market revenue generated from AIG, ecotourism and other economic activities in targeted sites.	USD	\$2,000,000	\$1,600,000	\$ 1,271,644	\$ 53,793	Entry fee collections in selected PA sites are counted which is attributed to further strengthening of co-management in the wetland.	\$ 2,333,757
15	Increase in density of indicator bird species in wetland and forested landscape.	%	Forest >10% wetland >30%	- (to be assessed in final year)	-	0	Indicator Bird Monitoring in all 10 forest PA sites is being undertaken throughout 2012 and this will portray the impact of biophysical changes over project duration.	-
16	Amount of leveraged financing for conservation.	USD	\$ 21.50 million	\$ 17.20	-	0	PY2011 target is achieved and USAID's leadership in integrating PA conservation with sustainable development through co-management at the policy and site level inspired other development partners to make commitments and project target for leveraging will be fulfilled.	\$ 17.48 million
17	Number of individuals that are aware of a national Protected Areas network.	Pers.	2,500,000	2,000,000	90,802 (F-42,590)	363,539 (F-172,375)	Nishorgo network campaigns through electronic and print media are gaining momentum around the country.	1,712,619; (F- 581,342)

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
18	Number of communities with Co-management agreements.	Nos.	400	400	2	3	Activities for the remainder of the project will focus on strengthening the capacity and role in co-management of these communities (plus over 300 others covered by earlier co-management agreements).	753
19	Number of training curriculums developed and trained modules designed and taught.	Nos.	20	15	1	0	Training modules developed are being taught during field implementation and orientation of stakeholders to strengthen the capacity of co-management organizations.	16
20	Number of recorded visitors to targeted PAs.	Pers.	1,000,000	750,000	58,375	100,035	Visitor records are being captured from LNP, SNP, RKWS, CWS, TWS, Sundarbans, Hail Haor, Khadimnagar NP and Kaptai NP.	715,558
21	Number of GoB protected areas with improved performance	Nos.	45	30	-	0	Annual assessment of 45 CMOs for 2012 will be conducted in next quarter. Not measured this Quarter.	14

ANNEX 4 – STATUS OF CMOS IN PA NETWORK

Status of Co-Management Organizations (CMO) in Nishorgo Network of protected forests, wetlands and ECAs through February 2012 (Y4Q3)

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
Southeast Cluster (Implementing Partner: CODEC-Community Development Centre)							
Chunati Wildlife Sanctuary	Cox's Bazaar and Chittagong	Forest Protected area	Total Area: 40,772 Core zone 7,764	48,913	Co-Management Committee (CMCs)		Nature: semi-evergreen forest and is home to Bangladesh's Asiatic elephant Date of Establishment: 1986
					Chunati Co-management Committee Score: 53.7 out of 100 (Assessment of	Formed on 24 Aug 2005 Re-structured as per new GO	Basic Information: Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 03 Upazila: 02 Union: 03 Village/Para: 34

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
					CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	(reformed on 31 Jul 2010) Registered from Social Welfare Affairs	Household: 3,935 Population: 21,696 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 34 People's Forum Member: 68 No. of CPG: 07 (Members: M-115, F-49) No. of Nishorgo Club: 03 (Member: M-79, F-16) Nishorgo Shahayak: 34 Eco-Tourism facilities: Eco-Cottage: 1 Nature's Interpretation Center: 1 Trained Eco-tour guide: 8 Trained Eco Rickshaw Puller: 25 Student Dormitory: 1; Staff Dormitory: 2
					Jaldi Co-management Committee Score:	Formed on 27 Jul 2006 Re-	Basic Information: Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 04 Upazila: 01

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
					50.0 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	structured as per new GO (reformed on 1 Aug 2010)	Union: 04 Village/Para: 27 Household: 5,465 Population: 27,217 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 26 People's Forum Member: 52 No. of CPG: 5 (Members: Male – 105) No. of Nishorgo Club: 04 (Male - 67, F – 20) Nishorgo Shahayak: 26 Eco-Tourism Facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 5 Trained Eco Rickshaw Puller: 25
Teknaf Wildlife Sanctuary	Cox's Bazar	Forest Protected area	Total Area: 32,055 Core zone 11,615	149,896	CMCs		Nature: wide diversity of tropical semi-evergreen flora and fauna and is home of Asian Elephant; an elongated hill range and bounded by the Naf River and Bay of Bengal Date of Establishment: 1983

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
					Teknaf Nishorgo Unnyon Songstha	Formed on 06 Aug 2006 Reformed on 25 Oct 2010 Registered from Social Welfare Affairs	<p>Basic Information:</p> <p>Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 04 Camp Office: 02 (Jankirchara, Baghmara) Upazila: 01 Union: 02 Village/Para: 43 Household: 9,058 Population: 69,026</p> <p>Coverage Status:</p> <p>No. of Village Conservation Forum: 43 People's Forum Member: 86 No. of CPG: 05 Members: M - 140, F - 28 No. of Nishorgo Club: 03 (Member: M - 111, F - 12) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 446 Nishorgo Shahayak: 43 (Male:28 & Female:15) Popular Theater group: 1</p>

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
							Eco-Tourism facilities: Eco-Cottage: 1 Nature's Interpretation Center: 1 Student's dormitory: 1 Shed: 1 Tourist Shop: 2 Trained Eco-tour guide: 5 Trained Eco Rickshaw Puller: 82 Nature Trails – 3 (Mochoni)
					Whykhong Development Association Score: 49.7 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 29 Aug 2005 Re-structured as per new GO (reformed on 2 Dec 2010) Registered from Social Welfare	Basic Information: Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 04 Upazila: 01 Union: 01 Village/Para: 39 Household: 6,900 Population: 42,370 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 39 People's Forum Member: 78

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
						Affairs	No. of CPG: 03 (Members: Male – 108) No. of Nishorgo Club: 03 (Member: M-81, F-42) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 31 Nishorgo Shahayak: 39 (Male:28 & Female:11) Eco-Tourism facilities: Tourist Shop: 1 Trained Eco-tour guide: 6 Nature Trails – 2 (Kudum cave, Toinga)
					Shilkhali Nishorgo Bikash Kendra Score: 50.2 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 27 Sep 2006 Re-structured as per new GO (reformed on 18 Aug 2010) Registered from Social	Basic Information: Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 03 Upazila: 01 Union: 01 Village/Para: 32 Household: 6,253 Population: 38,500 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 32 People's Forum Member: 64

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
						Welfare Affairs	<p>No. of CPG: 03 Members: M - 70, F – 22) No. of Nishorgo Club: 03 (Member: M-110, F-9) Nishorgo Shahayak: 32 (Male:18 & Female:14)</p> <p>Eco-Tourism facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 7 Nature Trails – 1 (Garjan Forest)</p>
Medhakachapia National Park	Cox's Bazar	Forest Protected area	<p>Total Area: 6,319</p> <p>Core zone 396</p>	18,305	<p>CMC Medhakachapia National Park Co-Management Committee</p> <p>Score: 52.3 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)</p>	<p>Formed on 17 Nov 2009</p> <p>Reformation on 25 Jan 2012</p>	<p>Basic Information: Nature: Semi-evergreen forest and is home to Bangladesh's Garjan trees Date of Establishment: 2004 Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 02 Upazila: 01 Union: 01 Village/Para: 13 Household: 3,523</p> <p>Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 13 People's Forum Member: 26</p>

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
							No. of CPG: 01 (Members: Male – 20) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 45 Nishorgo Shahayak: 13 Popular Theater group: 1 Eco-Tourism Facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 6
Fasiakhali Wildlife Sanctuary	Cox's Bazar	Forest Protected area	Total Area: 12,065 Core zone: 1,302	46,451	CMC Fasiakhali Wildlife Sanctuary Co-Management Committee Score: 48.7 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 23 Dec 2009 Reformation on 23 Jan 2012	Basic Information: Nature: especially well-known for its evergreen trees of Garjon and Chakaria Sundarbans Date of Establishment: 2007 Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 02 Upazila: 01 Union: 02 Village/Para: 30 Household: 8,551

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
							<p>Coverage Status:</p> <p>No. of Village Conservation Forum: 30 People's Forum Member: 60 No. of CPG: 02 (Male: 41) No. of Nishorgo Club: 01 (Member: M -21, F - 21) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 37 Nishorgo Shahayak: 30 Popular Theater group: 1</p> <p>Eco-Tourism Facilities:</p> <p>Trained Eco-tour guide: 5</p>
Himchari National Park	Cox's Bazar	Forest Protected area	Total Area: 5,891 Core area 1,729	50,000	CMC Himchari National Park Co-Management Committee Score: 50.4 out of 100	Formed on 07 Jul 2010	<p>Basic Information:</p> <p>Nature: comprised of tropical rain forest, grasslands and trees, sandy, sun-drenched beach Date of Establishment: 1980 Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 05 Upazila: 02 Union: 04 and 1 Puroshava Village/Para: 35</p>

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
					(Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)		Household: 8,427 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 35 People's Forum Member: 70 No. of CPG: 05 (Members: Male – 74) No. of Nishorgo Club: 02 (Member: Male – 80) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 6 Nishorgo Shahayak: 33 Eco-Tourism facilities: Eco-Cottage: Trained Eco-tour guide: 13 (M-11, F -2) Trained Eco Rickshaw Puller: 40 Forest Dept's Shed, Tourist Shop World's longest Sea beach of 100KM
Inani National Park /ECA (Proposed)	Cox's Bazar	Forest Protected area	Total Area: 15,844 Core zone 7,700	82,000	CMC Inani National Park Co-Management Committee	Formed on 20 Oct 2010 by Arannyak Foundation IPAC	Basic Information: Nature: comprised of tropical rain forest, grasslands and trees, sandy, sun-drenched beach Date of Establishment: 2011

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
						Awareness program is ongoing	Range Office: 02 Beat Office: 06 Upazila: 01 Union: 03 Village/Para: 21 Household: 13,777 Coverage Status: No. of Village Forest Development (VFDG): 18 Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 45 Eco-Tourism Facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 7 Nature Trails-01, Picnic Spot- 01
Teknaf Peninsula ECA	Cox's Bazaar	Ecologically Critical Area	10,465	130,000	CBOs organized with support of CWBMP	2008-2009	IPAC Awareness program, and Coordination with CWBMP is ongoing

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Sundarbans Cluster (Implementing Partner: CODEC-Community Development Centre)							
							Nature: The Sundarbans includes the world's largest mangrove forests, comprising the 3 Wildlife Sanctuaries, Sundarbans Reserved Forests (SRF) and the Sundarbans ECA
Sundarbans East Wildlife Sanctuary	Bagerhat	Forest Protected area	31,226	134,420	CMCs		Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 6 April 1996 Range Office: 02 Station Office: 07 Upazila: 04 Union: 08 Village/Para: 56 Household: 24,440
					Chandpai Co-Management Committee	Formed on 04 Feb 2010	Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 34 People's Forum Member: 68

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
					Score: 47.2 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)		No. of Nishorgo Club: 02 (Member: M - 31, F - 45) Nishorgo Shahayak: 68 Popular Theater group: 1 Eco-Tourism facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 18 (M-15, F-3) Trained boatmen on Eco-tourism: Male:19 Forest Dept.'s Tourist Shop, Zoo, Rest place, Walking trail: 2 (Koromjal, Harbaria) Rest house-01 Mongla) Watch tower-02 (Harbaria, Mongla)
					Sarankhola Co-Management Committee Score: 44.9 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-	Formed on 12 Apr 2010	No. of Village Conservation Forum: 21 People's Forum Member: 42 No. of Nishorgo Club: 02 (Member: M - 37, F - 13) Nishorgo Shahayak: 42 Popular Theater group: 1 Eco-Tourism Facilities:

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
						May 2011)	Trained Eco-tour guide: 4 Rest house-02 (Kotka, Kochikhali) Watch tower-01 (Kotka)
Sundarbans West Wildlife Sanctuary	Satkhira	Forest Protected area	71,502.10	1, 21,920	CMC Burigoalini Range, Munshiganj	Formed on 17 August 2011	<p>Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 6 April 1996 Range Office: 01 Station Office: 04 Up`azila: 01 Union: 05 Village/Para: 44 Household: 26,738</p> <p>Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 76 People's Forum Member: 152 No. of Nishorgo Club: 5 (Member: M-155, F-156) Nishorgo Shahayak: 152 (Male:76 & Female:76) Popular Theater group: 1</p> <p>Eco-Tourism Facilities:</p>

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
							Trained Eco-tour guide: 17 (Female-2) Trained boatmen on Eco-tourism: Male:20 Walking trail: 2 (Kolagachia, Nilkomol) Watch tower-02 (Dobeki, Nilkomol)
Sundarbans South Wildlife Sanctuary	Khulna	Forest Protected area	36,970.45	2,17,531	Dacope-Koyra	13 December 2011	Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 6 April 1996 Range Office: 01 Station Office: 05 Upazila: 02 Union: 10 (working at 7) Village/Para: 114 (working at 29) Household: 50,811 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: Dacope 25, Koyra 53 People's Forum Member: 156 (M-78, F-78) No. of Nishorgo Club: 3 Nishorgo Shahayak: 78

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Sundarbans ECA	Khulna, Satkhira, Bagerhat	Ecologically Critical Area	59,600				IPAC Awareness program is ongoing
Central Cluster (Implementing Partner: CNRS-Center for Natural Resources Studies)							
Modhupur National Park	Tangail and Mymensing	Forest protected Area	Total Area: 24,292	2,36,368 (including, M-1,20,543 F-1,15,825)	CMCs		Basic Information: Nature: Shal Forest Date of Establishment: 1982 Range Office: 04 Beat Office: 10 Upazila: 03 (Madhupur, Muktagacha, Fulbaria) Union: 07 Village/Para: 187 Household: 71,051 HH.
			Core Zone: 8,436	(Garo and Coach-15,000)			

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					Jaus (Rasulpur) Co-management Committee Score: 31.5 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	14 Mar 2011	Nishorgo Shahayak: 89 (Dokola 38, Rasulpur 51) Popular Theater group: 2 Eco-Tourism facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 10 (M-8 & F-2) Cottage -03 (Mahuna, Chunia&Bokul); Picnic Sites-06; Rest House-03 (Joloi , Chunia&Dhokola), Watchtower-02; Deer Breeding Center-01; Youth Hostel-01
Turag- Bongshi	Gazipurand Tangail	River basin	Total Area: 10,000 in wet season, 1,000 in dry season	2,81,879 (M-1,46,825 and F-1,35,054)	Resource Management Organization (RMO)	RMOs are registered under Social Welfare Affairs	Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 09.12.2009 (fisheries project) Range Office: 2 (Kachikata and Chandra) Beat Office: 10 Upazila: 02 (Kaliakoir of Gazipur&Mirzapur of Tangail)

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					MokheshBeel RMO Score: 74.6 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	RMO Dec 1999 FRUG 26 May 2004	Union: 08 Village/Para: 250 Household: 58,099 Total Sanctuaries: 20 Coverage Status: Total General Body Member: 1566 Total Executive Committee Member: 130 No. of CMOs: RUG-132, FRUG-3, RMO-4 No. of Village Co-management Committee: 64 Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 255
				AluaBeel RMO Score: 76.8 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs)	RMO May 2000 FRUG 15 May 2004		
				Turag River RMO Score: 75.5 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	RMO June 2000 FRUG 27 May 2004		
				Goalia River	RMO		

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					RMO Score: 68.9 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Aug 2003	
KongshaMalijhee	Sherpur	River basin	Total Area: 7,430 in Monsoon 900 in Winter	478,292	RMOs	RMOs are registered under Social Welfare Affairs	Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 2000 Upazila: 02 Union: 14 (SherpurSadar 07 & Jhenaigati 07). Village/Para: 26 Household: 111,328
					Kewta Beal RMO Score: 74.0 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	RMO 10 Mar 2001 FRUG 27 May 2004	No. of CMOs: RUG-118, FRUG-5, RMO-5 Total Sanctuaries: 22 (6 rivers)
					Takimari Dhara	RMO	Coverage Status: Total General Body Member: 406-RMO,

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					Basia Beal RMO Score: 79.5 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	16 Apr 2001 FRUG 8 Apr 2004	354-FRUG Total Executive Committee Member:96-RMO, FRUG-118 No. of Village Co-management Committee: 34
				Bailsha Beal RMO Score: 74.5 out of 100	RMO 20 Apr 2001 FRUG 8 Jun 2004		
				DholiBaila Beal RMO Score: 83.1 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	RMO 22 May 2001 FRUG 8 Jun 2004		

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					Aura BauraBeel RMO and Aura BauraBeel FRUG Score: 69.3 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	RMO 08 Feb 2010 (registration is under process) FRUG 10 Jun 2004	
Bhawal National Park	Gazipur	Forest protected Area	Total Area: 37,769 Core zone: 5,022	2,66,476			Basic Information: Nature: Sal forest and is home of Bangladesh's endemic lesser lamer Date of Establishment: 1982 (Wildlife:1974) Range Office: 02 Beat Office: 07 Upazila: 02 Union: 03 Village/Para: 23 Household: 35,490 Coverage Status:

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							No. of Village Conservation Forum: 37 Nishorgo Shahayak: 37 Eco-Tourism facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 10, Rest House – 06; Cottage – 13; Picnic Spot- 47. Artificial Lake-02; Ponds – 02; Observation tower – 02. Forest Dept.'s Boats, Zoo, Shed, Canteen
Chittagong and CHT Cluster (Implementing Partner: CODEC-Community Development Centre)							
Kaptai National Park	Rangamati Hilly district	Forest Protected area	Total Area: 43,666 Core zone 5,464.78	10,367 (major part is ethnic community)	CMCs		Basic Information: Nature: hills & forest together, and the largest manmade fresh water bodies in Bangladesh Date of Establishment: 1999 Range Office: 02 Beat Office: 10 Upazila: 01 Union: 03 Village/Para: 39 Household: 1,885
					Kaptai Co-Management Committee Score:	Formed on 23 Aug 2009 Re-formed 18 Oct 2011	

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					48.7 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)		Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 39 People's Forum Member: 78 (PF-2) No. of CPG: 10 (Member: M-114) No. of Nishorgo Club: 03 (Member: M-40, F-20) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 14 Nishorgo Shahayak: 39 Popular Theater group: 02 Eco-Tourism facilities: Eco-Cottage: 1 (under process) Trained Eco-tour guide: 14 Forest Dept.'s Tourist shop, Rest place, Watch Tower Rest house-01, picnic area -03, Inspection bungalow-01
					Karnafuli Co-Management Committee Score: 50.8 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 23 Aug 2009 Re-formed 18 Oct 2011	
Dudhpukuria-DhopachariWildlife Sanctuary	Chittagong	Forest Protected area	Core zone: 4,716.57	5,000 (including different	CMC Dudhpukuria Co-	Formed on 22 May 2011	Basic Information: Nature: the hilly forests at the river banks Date of Establishment: 06.04.2010

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				ethnic community)	Management Committee		<p>Range Office: 02 Beat Office: 03 Upazila: 02 Union: 02 Village/Para: 19 Household: 1,000</p> <p>Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 19 People's Forum Member: 38 (Male -29 Female - 9) No. of CPG: 03 (Members: Male – 56) No. of FCC Club: 03 (Member: Male – 56, Female-4) Nishorgo Shahayak: 19</p> <p>Eco-Tourism facilities: Nature Trails – 01, Picnic Sites-02 Trained Eco-Tour Guide: 9 Private Eco-Cottage: 1 (under construction)</p>

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					Dhopachari	9 January 2012	Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 8 VCF Members: 240 (M-160, F-80) PF Members: 24 Nishorgo Shahayak: 8 CPG-1 (M-21) Trained Eco-Tour Guide: 3
Sitakunda Eco-Park	Chittagong	Forest Protected area	Core zone: 807.75	14,612 HHs (Bangali and Tripura community)		IPAC has been working since December 2010	Basic Information: Nature:hilly forest at the bank of Bay of Bengal Date of Establishment: 17.01.2001 Range Office: 02 Beat Office: 04 Upazila: 01 Union: 02 and 1 Pauroshova Village/Para: Household: Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 10

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							Nishorgo Shahayak: 10 Eco-Tourism facilities: Forest Dept.'s Shed, Tourist Shop, Watch Tower
Sylhet Cluster (Implementing Partner: CNRS-Center for Natural Resources Studies)							
Lawachara National Park	Moulavibazar	Forest Protected Area	Total Area: 18,178 Core zone: 1,250	36,740 (including Khashia indigenous people)	CMC Lawachara Co-Management Committee Score: 65.3 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 10 Sep 2005 Re-elected on 08 Mar 2009 Reformed on 18 April 2011 (registration is under process)	Basic Information: Nature: Semi evergreen rainforest and represents the hilly forest Date of Establishment: 1996 Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 03 (Lawchara, Chowtali&Kalachara) Camp Office: 02 (Jankirchara, Baghmara) Upazila: 02 (Kamalgonj and Sreemangal) Union: 05 Village/Para: 30 and 6 tea gardens Household: 7,348 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 30

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							<p>People's Forum Member: 60</p> <p>No. of CPG: 4 (F-1) Members 60 (M-40, F- 20)</p> <p>No. of Nishorgo Club: 5 (Member: M-90, F-35)</p> <p>Nishorgo Shahayak: 25</p> <p>Popular Theater group: 01</p> <p>Eco-Tourism facilities:</p> <p>Entry Fee system is under implementation</p> <p>Eco-Cottage: 3</p> <p>Information Center: 1</p> <p>Student's dormitory: 2</p> <p>Picnic spot: 2</p> <p>Tourist Shop: 1</p> <p>Trained Eco-tour guide: 23</p> <p>Trained Eco Rickshaw Puller: 12</p> <p>Nature Trails-03, Ticket Counter-02</p> <p>CONIC: construction is underway</p>
Satchari National Park	Hobigonj	Forest Protected Area	Total Area: 8,342	55,701 (included Tipra ethnic	CMC Satchari Co-Management Committee	Formed on 20 Sep 2005 17 Sep 2006 (according	<p>Basic Information:</p> <p>Nature: Remnant of the tropical evergreen and semi-evergreen forests</p> <p>Date of Establishment: 15 October 2005</p>

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			Core zone 243	community)	Score: 70.4 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	to gazette on 25 December) Re-elected 8 Mar 2009 Reformed on 25 Dec 2010	Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 02 Upazila: 02 Union: 04 Village/Para: 38 and 8 tea gardens Household: 10,315 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 38 People's Forum Member: 76 (M:48, F: 28) No. of CPG: 01 (Member-Male:20) No. of Nishorgo Club: 10 (Member: M-260, F-40) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 251 Nishorgo Shahayak: 37 Popular Theater group: 01 Eco-Tourism facilities: Entry Fee system is under implementation Trained Eco-tour guide: 9

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							Information Center: 1 Nature's Interpretation Center: 1 Student's dormitory: 1 Tourist Shop: 1 Picnic spot: 2 Nature Trails – 04; Ticket Counter – 01; Toilet – 02.
Remakalenga Wildlife Sanctuary	Hobigonj	Forest Protected Area	Total Area: 13,327 Core zone: 1,795	53,000 (included four different ethnic forest community)	CMC RemaKalenga Co-Management Committee Score: 64.1 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May)	Formed on 25 Sep 2005 Re-elected 08 Mar 2009 Reformed on 12 Feb 2011	Basic Information: Nature: the largest remnant of the upland forest Date of Establishment: 7 July 1996 (22 Dec 1981) Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 04 (Rema, Kalenga, Rashidpur and Chanbari) Upazila: 02 Union: 04 Village/Para: 61 Household: 9,330

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							<p>Coverage Status:</p> <p>No. of Village Conservation Forum: 45 People's Forum Member: 90 No. of CPG: 05 (Members: Male – 126) No. of Nishorgo Club: 05 (Member: M-125, F-27) Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 48 Nishorgo Shahayak: 37 Popular Theater group: 01</p> <p>Eco-Tourism facilities:</p> <p>Entry Fee system is under implementation Trained Eco-tour guide: 4 Eco-Cottage: 1 Tourist Shop: 2 Nature Trails-03</p>
KhadimNagarNational Park	Sylhet	Forest protected area	Total Area: 15,679 Core zone	12,500	CMC Khadimnagar NP Co-Management	Formed on 19 Oct 2009	<p>Basic Information:</p> <p>Nature: semi deciduous tropical forest where tall trees are deciduous and the under storey evergreen and covered mostly with natural pecha bamboo</p>

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			678.8		Committee Score: 58.3 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)		Date of Establishment: 2006 Range Office: 01 Beat Office: 01 Upazila: 02 (Sylhet-Sadar & Goainghat) Union: 03 (Khadimnagar, Khadimpara&Fatepur) Village/Para: 22 Household: 2,261 Coverage Status: No. of Village Conservation Forum: 22 People's Forum Member: 44 No. of Nishorgo Club: 06 Improved Cooking Stove Installation: 60 Nishorgo Shahayak: 22 (Trained-19; M-16, F-03) Eco-Tourism facilities: Trained Eco-tour guide: 10 (Male: 08, Female: 02)
Hail Haor	Moulavibazar	Wetland	Total Area: 13,000	172,000	RMOs	All RMOs are registered	Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 1998 - 1999 Water bodies: River: 03; Beel: 130 with

PA Name (Site)	District	Type of PA	Area Coverage (Hectare)	Landscape Population	Name & Type of Organization	Date of CMO Formation	Basic Information and Coverage Status
			Core zone: 3,795			under Social Welfare Affairs	numerous canals Total Sanctuaries:14 (including BaikkaBeel) Upazila: 02 Union: 07 Village/Para: 60
					Kajura RMO Score: 73.9 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 01 Jan 2000	Household: 30,000 Total water body under RMOs management: 21 Coverage Status: Number of CMOs: RMO-08, FRUG-5, RUG-107
					BaroGangina RMO Score: 75.8 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 24 Jan 2002	General Body Member:423 (M-330,F-93) Executive Committee Member:122 (M-95,F-30) No. of Guards: 02 (Male) Improved Cooking Stove Installation:49 Eco-Tourism facilities: BaroGangina RMO:
					Agari RMO Score:	Formed on 25 Jan 2001	Entry Fee system is under implementation

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					66.8 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)		Trained Eco-tour guide:05 Watch Tower: 1 Eco-Boats CONIC: construction is in progress
					Balla RMO Score: 80.3 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May)	Formed on 7 Apr 2000	
					Jethua RMO Score: 69.2 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 16 Nov 2000	
					Sananda RMO Score: 78.4 out of 100	Formed on 20 Nov 2000	

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					(Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)		
					Dumuria RMO Score: 73.9 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 12 Dec 2000	
					Ramedia RMO Score: 83.9 out of 100 (Assessment of CMOs: Apr-May 2011)	Formed on 19 Oct 2003	
TanguarHaor	Sunamgonj	Wetland/ ECA	Total Area: 26,344 Corezone:	55,000	Village, Union, and Central ECA CMC	CBOs were formed with support of IUCN / CNRS in	Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 1999 (RAMSAR: Jan 2007) Water bodies: River: 03; Beel: 51 Upazila: 02 (Tahirpur&Dharmapasha)

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			9,727			2009	Union: 04 Village/Para: 88 Household: 10,205 Coverage Status: Village Co-management Committee: 73 Union Co-Management Committee: 4 Central Co-management Committee: 01 Nishorgo Shahayak: 31
HakalukiHaor	Moulavibazar and Sylhet	Wetland/ECA	Total ECA area: 30,866 Core zone: 18,383	190,000	Union, Upazila, and District ECA Coordination Committee	CBOs were formed with support of CWBMP in 2008-2009	Basic Information: Date of Establishment: 1998 - 1999 Water bodies: River: 07; Sanctuaries: 05; Beel: 276 (fed by 7 major canals) Upzila: 05 (Kulaura, Juri, Baralekha, Fenchuganj & Golapganj) Union: 11, Village/Para: 256, Household: 34,445 Coverage Status: Total General Body Member: 423 (M-330, F-93) Union ECA Coordination Committee: 11

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							Upazilla ECA Coordination Committee: 5 Total Executive Committee Member: 252 No. of Village Conservation Group: 28 Nishorgo Shahayak: 25 Popular Theater Group:1

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