

PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT (REPORT OF 2013)

The Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) formerly PAWB of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) has partnered with the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH on behalf of the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU) in the implementation of the project Protected Area Management Enhancement in the Philippines (PAME). The project, which is being implemented over a period of five years from October 2012 to March 2017, has the overall project goal of improving the protection and management of Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) in the Philippines.

At the end of the five year period, the project should have produced the following outputs:

- Improved management and technical capacities of relevant DENR BMB staff at all levels;
- Management of 60 existing terrestrial and marine protected areas in KBAs improved;
- Additional 100 conservation areas established under innovative conservation management systems; and,
- Improved knowledge management and awareness about the values of biodiversity.

In 2013, the Protected Area Management Enhancement Project gained acceptance of a site-prioritization procedure using scientific criteria and identified priority project sites. The project also supported the assessment of 61 (over 25% of the 240) NIPAS protected areas using the nationally/DENR-endorsed Protected Area Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool. It has also provided training and mentoring for management team representatives from the 61 PAs to prepare proposals for PAME's Partnership Fund. The Implementation Agreement between DENR and GIZ was also signed and the National Project Management Committee and National Technical Working Group were also convened.

The project baseline assessment is now being used to (1) plan capacity development interventions for common problems (e.g. good practices for scaling-up), and (2) guide the harmonization of Philippine Development Plan 2011-2016 (PDP) protected area targets, DENR regular fund programming vis-à-vis additional support being requested from and to be given from the PAME Partnership Fund. Weak consistency from national to regional to provincial/community/PA planning is a major constraint and is one of the major targets for technical assistance including through a protected area planning-monitoring database (to be integrated with existing DENR systems).

Plans (1) to scale-up the site-level biodiversity monitoring system into a national integrated system and (2) to confirm with local partners potential new conservation areas to be established in 2013 were delayed mainly due to lack of project as well as partner personnel to focus on these. Additional project personnel are being recruited, responsibilities being distributed, and regional DENR personnel are being oriented for potentially faster project implementation.

PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE REPORT
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Project Name: Protected Areas Management Enhancement Project (PAME)

PHYSICAL PERFORMANCE					Funding	FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE (P'000)				Remarks
Program/Project Activity (1)	Performance Indicator/s (2)	Target/s (3)	Accomp. (4)	% Acc. (5)	Type (6)	Allotment (7)	Obligation (8)	Disbursement (9)	% Util. (10=9/8)	
Output 1. Improved management and technical capacities of relevant DENR PAWB staff at all levels (including partners of DENR), including needs-based reorganization of competencies		By 2016, at least 95% of supported PA management teams confirm having received a needs-based management effectiveness training.		0%						
		By 2016, at least 70% (of the 95%) confirm a resulting added value for their daily work		0%						
		By 2016, the clients of DENR PAWB and their subordinated agencies confirm receiving improved services for the management of their protected areas		0%						
1.1 Assess organisational development and training needs of the PAWB at all levels and provide Organizational Development support		By 2016, organization development and training needs were assessed and expressed OD priorities supported	* Gained consensus on the biodiversity and PA strategy including prioritization of KBAs within the conservation sector in preparation for consensus building in allied sectors (2013 Q1-Q2) * Refined and introducing standard regional PA system planning tool to better target Philippine Development Plan 2011-2016 targets (2013 Q3-)	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy	2,558.00		213.60		
1.2 Train DENR PAWB staff at all levels on improved PA governance methods (e.g. on biological monitoring, improved planning, financial management and management effectiveness monitoring)		see Output level indicators above	* Capacity Development program outlined including initial assignment of responsibilities, and initial receipt of some existing materials (2013 Q1-Q2) * Capacity Development of 61 PAs in Improved Protected Area Management Formulation of Project Proposals implemented (2013 Q3-Q4)	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy/ Workshops	11,500.00		4,956.20		
1.3. Conduct experience sharing workshops and learning exchange visits (training venues of 1.2. will be in sites where trainees can learn good practices)		By 2017, 5 learning/ cross-visits will have been conducted	Incorporated into 1.2	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy/ Workshops					
Output 2. Support to improve PA management in existing terrestrial and marine protected areas in defined KBAs		By 2016, at least 60 of the existing PAs have set up adequate planning, legal, financial and monitoring frameworks for effective and sustainable PA management		0%						
2.1. Survey management effectiveness of selected NIPAS sites and develop model solutions for common problems		By 2013, Problems/issues common to ~60 PAs in KBAs identified/validated/confirmed and monitored	60. Results summarized in individual reports, 6 cluster reports and the national MECA report	100%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy	22,000.00	432	17,823.80		
2.2. Study other PA management systems and models, identify gaps and ways and means to improve management systems		By 2016, training modules including model practices for 5 types of common problems/issues developed	0	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					
2.3. Conduct legal studies, examine possibilities for fast tracking PA declarations and develop model solutions		By 2016, fast tracking PA declarations through NIPAS supported	0	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					

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2.4 Training and specific, case-related support regarding the revision of frameworks of existing PAs		By 2016, management of 60 NIPAS PAs supported through financing agreements/local subsidies	* PAME Partnership Fund guidelines developed, approved and promoted (2013 Q2-Q3) * Proposals for Partnership Fund to be reviewed (2013 Q4)	0%	Financing Agreement/ Local Subsidy					
2.5 Support continuous management effectiveness monitoring		By 2016, management effectiveness of 60 NIPAS PAs monitored	0	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					
Output 3. Support to the establishment of additional conservation areas under innovative conservation management systems		By 2016, at least 100 new terrestrial and marine PA have been established through project support, either under the NIPAS Act or other innovative management systems		0%						
3.1 Conduct biological surveys in selected PAs within KBAs (including socio-econ ethnography, hazards, water, governance) for Integrated Ecosystem Management		By 2016, biological significance, key threats/issues, socio-economic value, and management of selected KBAs assessed and monitored.	* Developing TOR for Assessment of the Status of, and Threats to, Biological Diversity for Improved Management of Selected Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs) in the Philippines (2013 Q2-Q4)	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					
3.2 Involve local governments and communities in PA planning processes, support the designation of new PAs and the development of legal and financial frameworks for new PAs		By 2016, 100 new PAs designated/established	* IEM (SIMPLE) training for 10 municipalities in (West) Samar conducted (2013 Q2-Q3) * TOR for consultants to provide on training on Integrated Ecosystem Management developed and being procured * Discussions with potential partners in Regions CAR, 4B, 6, 7, 8 and 13 re: cooperation with PAME	0%	Technical Assistance/ Local Subsidy/Financing Agreement/ Local Subsidy	8,000.00	432.40	2558.5		
3.3 Train local PA managers and staff in innovative management methods and specific, case-related support regarding the revision of frameworks of existing PAs		By 2016, management of 100 PAs supported through financing agreements/local subsidies	0	0%	Financing Agreement/ Local Subsidy					
3.4 Support the continuous Management effectiveness monitoring		By 2016, management effectiveness of 100 new conservation areas monitored	0	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					
Output 4. Support the implementation of an improved knowledge management through DENR PAWB and awareness raising for PA management and value of biodiversity conservation in general of the public		By 2016, the tested project approaches, results and impacts are well documented and disseminated to the scientific world and the public at national, regional and international level following a communication strategy.	0	0%						
4.1 Develop and refine a communication strategy for experts and the public		By 2016, communication strategy developed and agreed upon	0	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					
4.2 Produce IEC materials for public use, organize awareness raising activities and media events for experts and the public.		By 2016, awareness of the value of biological diversity to ecosystem services increased in 50 KBAs	NMECA report and planner for 2014 produced	0%	Financing Agreement/ Local Subsidy					
		By 2016, awareness of the value of biological diversity to ecosystem services increased among 5 national executives	0	0%	Technical Assistance/ Consultancy					

Note: Allotment, Obligation and Disbursements should be broken down per activity.