

## **APAP Workshop on Collaborative Management of Protected Areas Summary**

1<sup>st</sup> APAP Workshop on Collaborative Management of Protected Areas was hosted by MOEJ in Ishigaki city, Japan from November 17 to 20, aiming at information sharing and capacity building on Collaborative Management.

### **1. Objectives**

To further understand issues around collaborative management and assess its applicability to each member country, through presentations, site visits to understand CM in Iriomote National Park, information sharing of CM in each member country as well as intensive discussions among participants.

### **2. Participants**

Fifteen participants from eight countries, namely Bangladesh, Bhutan, Japan, Korea, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan and Vietnam attended the workshop.

Five resource persons from Malaysia Thailand and Japan joined the workshop and provided useful information.

List of participants and resource persons are attached as Appendix 1.

### **3. Outline of Schedule (Detail is attached as Appendix 2)**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> day (Nov. 17)**

Following the opening remarks by Ms. Nishimae of MOEJ, Mr. Masahiko Horie, IUCN Regional Councilor, gave Keynote Speech that provided big picture global environment agenda and its implications for managements of protected areas.

Dr. Yoshitaka Kumagai, Akita International University, delineated the objectives and contents of the workshop to bring participants on the same page.

Each participant made self-introduction, brief presentation on their protected areas as well as comments on their expectation for the workshop, followed by Q and As.

After lunch, Mr. Petch Manopawitr of IUCN Regional Office gave a presentation on governance of protected areas in Asia. During the Q&As, wide variety of PA governance and accordingly confusion among participants on IUCN PA categories was identified.

Later in the afternoon, an excursion to Mt. Banna-dake Observatory to overview the whole island and visit to Kabira Bay where participants took part in glass bottom boat tour to observe the coral reef of the area.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> day (Nov. 18)

At the visit to the Coral Reef Monitoring Center, the participants learned activities of various kinds of stakeholders to protect or restore the coral reef in the morning. After lunch, the group moved to Shiraho Coral Village where NGOs and eco-tour enterprise presented their unique approaches to protect coral reefs. The excursion was completed with visiting some Green Belts where prevention measures of red clay outflow are taken and exchanged views with experts there.

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> day (Nov. 19)

Dr. Amran Hamzah made a presentation on current situation of marine protected areas and associated efforts made in Malaysia.

Participants reported on the collaborative management in each country. It was appeared that most of the countries have introduced CM though wide variety in application was identified.

After lunch, participants divided into two groups had intensive discussions with 3 topics on Collaborative Management, which was facilitated by Dr. Kumagai (for Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal and Pakistan) and Dr. Toshiyuki Tsuchiya (for Japan, Korea, Mongolia and Vietnam).

The results of group discussions were reported by representatives of the groups. Dr. Kumagai and Dr. Hamzah made wrap up comments.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> day (Nov. 20)

All participants had brainstorming session on upcoming activities of APAP and design of next Workshop under chairmanship by Dr. Kumagai.

Following the discussion, Mr. Horie made comprehensive comments on this workshop and the workshop was closed by remarks by the host.

#### **4. Summary of the group discussion**

The subjects of the group discussion on Collaborative Management were:

- (1) To what extent of direction / responsibility for a committee possess?
- (2) Incentives for members of a committee?
- (3) What would be necessary conditions / premise for collaborative management work effectively?

Some of the observation of group discussion was as follows:

(1) To what extent of direction / responsibility for a committee possess?

Who should take an ultimate responsibility depends on ultimate goal and objectives, size of protected areas, condition of natural resources, size of community, political and social circumstances and transboundary issues. Legal endorsement is necessary except for Japan and Bhutan.

(2) Incentives for members of a committee?

There are some cases where so small travel cost and/or daily allowance is paid that does not provide enough incentives the members. Local people rather welcome the opportunity to have their voice on the protected area management and tourism industry has economic and social incentive to join the committee.

(3) What would be necessary conditions / premise for collaborative management work effectively?

Raising awareness, more useful data through research, investigation and monitoring and capacity of secretariat are pointed out as well as transparency, accountability, good coordination, mutual respect, meaningful participation, gender balance, equitable participation and so on.

## **5. Summary of the session on day 4**

Following items were agreed as follow-up of the workshop.

- ✓ to share with your colleagues and stakeholders what you have learned in this workshop
- ✓ to upload new ideas emerged during the discussions to APAP Website
- ✓ to present concept paper on APAP activities as well as potential APAP umbrella project.

As per the next workshop, following issues are raised.

### **1. Host country**

Participants from Bhutan suggested to hold a workshop in Bhutan on the condition that travel costs and per diem are covered by participants while accommodation fee and venue cost are covered by the host.

→Bhutan is requested to consider possible venue and cost sharing issues internally and share the outcomes with APAP members.

→After the discussion, first draft proposal on APAP activities in 2016 was agreed as follows;

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Steering Committee late May or early June in Bangkok
- 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop in Japan in Summer if possible,
- 3<sup>rd</sup> workshop in Bhutan in early winter

→All the member countries are requested to consider taking over next co-chair of APAP after Nov. 2016 as well as hosting 2<sup>nd</sup> Asia Parks Congress.

## 2. Topics

Following items were proposed by the participants as the subjects of 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop

- ✓ Terrestrial protected areas
- ✓ Ecotourism
- ✓ Local people vs. management
- ✓ Traditional method of management for example SATOYAMA in Japan
- ✓ Disasters and risk reduction
- ✓ Ecological corridor
- ✓ Paradigm shift and governance
- ✓ Climate change
- ✓ Collaborative management for conservation and restoration of endangered species

Further comments on APAP were also noted.

- ✓ Invitations should be sent to all countries in the region, while the outreach priorities are given to China, Malaysia, Thailand and Indonesia.
- ✓ Face-to-face communication is more effective. Bhutan, Nepal, Bangladesh are requested to contact India where appropriate.
- ✓ As per the upcoming APAP activities, concrete projects, besides workshops, are proposed. Demands for learning from failures and interpretation to local languages of good studies were identified as well.

Mr. Horie pointed out Bhutan's proposal to hold workshop is highly appreciated and is very good for sustainability of APAP activities.

## Appendix 1

### Participants

Bangladesh	
Mr. Md.Saiful Hassan Badal	Deputy Commissioner, Munshiganj Ministry of Environment & Forest
Mr. Ashit Ranjan Paul	Assistant Chief Conservator of Forests, (Budget, Finance & General Direction,) Bangladesh Forest Department
Bhutan	
Mr. Sonam Wangchuk	Chief Forestry Officer, Wildlife Conservation Division
Mr. Tenzin Wangchuk	Chief Forestry Officer, Royal Manas National Park
Japan (Chair, Organizer)	
Ms. Akiko Nishimae	Deputy Director, National Park Division, Nature Conservation Bureau
Mr. Kazuhito Nitta	Assistant Director, National Park Division, Nature Conservation Bureau
Korea	
Mr. Bo Young Kim	Manager of Park Planning, Korea National Park Service
Mr. Young kyu Lee	Program coordinator, Chiaksan National Park, Korea National Park Service
Mongolia	
Mr. Gantulga Osorgarav	Head of the Finance and Economic division of the MEGDT
Ms. Shinetsetseg Purev	Officer of Monitoring, Evaluation and Internal Auditing at the MEGDT
Nepal	
Mr. Hem Raj Acharya	Chief Warden, Kanchenjunga Conservation Area
Mr. Manoj Kumar Sah Sudi	Chief Warden, Makalu-Barun National Park
Pakistan	
Mr. Saeed Akhtar Baloch	Conservator Wildlife, Sindh Wildlife Department, Karachi
Mr. Qazi Khalid Mehmood	Divisional Forest Officer, Lal Sohanra National Park, Bahawalpur
Vietnam	
Mr. Tran Van Mui	Director, Dong Nai Protected area (natural reserve), Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Ms. Dam Thi Quynh Nga	Biodiversity Conservation Agency, Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
Dr. Amran Hamzah	Centre for Innovative Planning and Development, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia
Mr. Masahiko Horie	IUCN Regional Councilor
Dr. Yoshitake Kumagai	Professor, Akita International University
Mr. Petch Manopawitr	Deputy, Southeast Asia Group, IUCN Regional Office
Dr. Toshiyuki Tsuchiya	Professor, Tokyo University of Agriculture & Technology

## Schedule

**Day 1 17-Nov (Tue)**

Time	Agenda	Remarks
09:30-09:40	The Opening Remarks	Ms.Akiko Nishimae, Deputy Director, National Park Div. MOEJ
09:40-10:20	Keynote Speech SDGs for the Human and the Planet	Mr. Masahiko Horie, IUCN Regional Councillor
10:30-10:45	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10:45-11:00	The Purpose of this workshop incl .summary of the system of protected Area and the international movement.	Professor Yoshitaka Kumagai, Akita International University
11:00-12:20	Self-introduction, and brief presentation on protected Area system of each country. Comment on expectation for the workshop.	
12:20-13:20	<i>Lunch</i>	
13:20- 14:20	[Presentation 1] An Introduction based on: Governance of Protected Areas	Mr. Petch Manopawitr, Deputy, Southeast Asia Group, IUCN Regional Office
14:30 - 15:00	<i>Transportation from N.Ohama Memorial Hall to Mt.Banna-dake</i>	<i>By Chartered Bus</i>
15:00 -16:00	Mt. Banna-dake Observatory	Experiencing the proximity of Coral Reef to be restored and People's daily lives Kabira Marine Service
16:15 - 16:45	<i>Transportation from the observatory of Mt. Banna-dake to Kabira Bay</i>	
16:45 - 17:15	Kabira Bay (Enjoying excellent scenery of the coral reef on board a glass bottom boat).	Experiencing the proximity of Coral Reef to be restored and People's daily lives
17:15 - 17:45	<i>Transportation from Kabira Bay to Hotel</i>	
18:30 - 19:00	<i>Transportation from Hotel to Restaurant (Funakura no Sato)</i>	
19:00 - 21:00	Reception	Funakura no Sato
21:00 - 21:30	<i>Transportation back to Hotel</i>	

**Day 2 18-Nov (Wed)**

Time	Agenda	Remarks
08:30 - 08:45	<i>Transportation from Hotel to Int'l Institute of Coral Reef Monitoring Center</i>	
08:45 - 09:35	Roles of Government in Integrated Coastal Management	Ms.Tomomi Saito, Nature Protection Officer, Ishigaki Nature Protection Office
09:35 - 10:25	Financing of Nature Restoration Project Sekiseishouko	Mr. Masahisa Washio, Director, Sekiseishouko Coral Reef Fund Mr. Akira Hoshikawa, Director, Sekiseishouko Coral Reef Fund
10:25 - 10:35	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10:35 - 11:25	Measures against the damage by Acanthaster in Coral Reef Restoration Project	Mr. Morihiro Taira, Manager, Fisheries Div. Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Dep. Ishigaki-City
11:25 - 12:15	Experiencing of Coral Nursery (hands-on program)	Mr. Tetsuro Kobayashi, Coral Farming Study Group Aquarium Fishery Div. Yaeyama Fishery Cooperative Assoc.
12:15 - 12:30	Introduction of Monitoring Center	Ms.Tomomi Saito, Nature Protection Officer, Ishigaki Nature Protection Office
12:30 - 13:20	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch Box at Coral Reef Monitoring Center</i>
13:20 - 13:50	<i>Transportation from Coral Center to Shiraho Coral Village.</i>	<i>Ms. Saito will accompany the Group hereafter and give supplemental remarks.</i>
13:50 - 14:40	Ecotourism of Ishigaki Island & Efforts at Fukido River	Mr. Kenji Ohori, Fukumimi
14:40 - 15:30	NPO Natsupana's Activities	Mr. Masahito Kamimura, WWF-Japan, Mr. Futenma & Mr. Ikema, NPO "Natsupana"
15:30 - 16:00	<i>Transportation from Shiraho Coral Village to Green Belt</i>	<i>(✕Taking a break in between)</i>
16:00 - 16:40	Field visit to Green Belt where Prevention Measures of Red Clay Outflow are taken.	Mr. Futenma & Mr. Ikema, NPO "Natsupana" Mr. Takashi Kobayashi, Agricultural Environment Coordinator Ishigaki City Red Clay Outflow Prevention Agricultural Measure Regional Council
16:40 - 17:10	<i>Transportation back to Hotel</i>	

**Day 3 19-Nov (Thu)**

Time	Agenda	Remarks
09:30 - 10:30	[Presentation 2] Managing Impact of Visitors to Protected Areas in Malaysia: Success Stories & New Challenges	Dr. Amran Hamzah, Centre for Innovative Planning and Development , Universiti Teknologi Malaysia
10:30 - 12:00	Presentation by participants using pre- arranged survey sheets. (10 min. per country) ☒coffee break in between	Participants from 8 countries
12:00 - 13:00	<i>Lunch</i>	<i>At Hotel</i>
13:00 - 13:10	Introduction to Group Discussion	Prof. Yoshitaka Kumagai (Akita International University)
13:10 -15:40	Discussion by Two Groups Theme: [Collaborative Management, Problems and Solutions ]	☒ Facilitators Prof. Yoshitaka Kumagai (Akita International University) Prof. Toshiyuki Tsuchiya (Tokyo Univ. of Agriculture and Technology)
15:40 -16:10	Presentations by each group (15 Min. per Group)	Representatives from Each Group
16:10 - 16:30	Wrap Up	Dr. Amran Hamzah, Centre for Innovative Planning and Development , Universiti Teknologi Malaysia
18:00– 20:00	Farewell Party	Hotel Grand View Ishigaki

**Day 4 20-Nov (Fri)**

Time	Agenda	Presenter
10:00 - 10:20	Introduction	Professor Yoshitaka Kumagai, Akita International University
10:20 - 11:30	Brainstorming	
11:30 - 11:45	Wrap up comments	Mr. Masahiko Horie, IUCN Regional Councilor
11:45 - 12:00	Closing Remark	Ms.Akiko Nishimae, Deputy Director National Park Div. MOEJ
12:00	Closure of the WS	☒The Official Program ends at this point
12:00 -	<i>Free Activities</i>	
16:30	<i>Departure (from Ishigaki City Area to Ishigaki Airport)</i>	
18:05	<i>Departing Ishigaki Airport</i>	