“CCAs of Pakistan”
Situation Analysis

Achieving Aichi Targets through CCAs in South and East-Asia: opportunities and constraints

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PROTECTED AREAS OF PAKISTAN

• Despite the limitations, Government has notified several sites under legal protection
  ⇒ No. of protected areas 200+
  ⇒ 12% against agreed 17%
  ⇒ No marine area yet
  ⇒ Legal categories
    - National parks
    - Wildlife Sanctuaries
    - Game Reserves (State / Private)
    - Reserved / Protected Forests
Major Gaps in Formal PAs

• Resource use conflicts are not resolved prior to notification
• Some eco-systems are not sufficiently represented
• Resources are inadequate to ensure the proper management of existing protected areas
Situation Analysis (legal)

- National forest policies have made a big progress in the last three decades but the regulatory frameworks have remained unchanged since their enactment, almost a century ago.

- The regulatory frameworks are the most important factor determining the success or failure of forestry/PAs/CCAs, therefore
  
  - NWFP Forest Ordinance revised 2001
  - Provinces including AJK & NAs decided to draft a new Forest & Wildlife Acts that would:
    - replace the old regulatory frameworks; and
    - provide an enabling environment to meet the present needs and future challenges.
Major Issues

- Lack of Awareness among policy makers
- Lack of trust on communities among policy makers
- Documentation of CCAs
- Weak Laws
- Erosion of Indigenous Practices
- Tenurial issues
- Mafias (forest)
Conclusion and Policy Recommendations

- Framework for joint planning
- Legal Cover to CCAs
- Reactivation and recognition of Indigenous Management Systems
- Human Resource Development:
- Establishment of New Safety-Nets for the Poor
Conclusion and Policy Recommendations

• Strengthen the cultural identity of indigenous peoples and local and mobile communities, in particularly regarding natural resource management and conservation
• Document and re-affirm the cultural dimension of conservation
• Involve indigenous communities in conservation policy and planning
• Clarify and protect the intellectual property rights of indigenous people / communities
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