

Bangladesh Situation Analysis on Bushmeat

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Socio-economic importance of Bushmeat

- **In the Bangladesh Context no remarkable/reportable income is added to GDP on trading of bushmeat.**
- **Social Structure, mainly food-habit of the majority people are averse to bushmeat.**

Status and trends of bushmeat harvesting

- **Harvesting of Bushmeat is illegal as per wildlife preservation order.**
- **As the abundance of the wildlives are shrinking day after day therefore harvesting is apparently to a downward trend**

Status and trends of forest-dependent species (e.g. IUCN Red List, other data)

- **Population of IUCN Red listed Forest Dependent Species are reported to be declined (eg. Gaur, *Bon Gaurus*, Red Jungle Fowl, *Gallus gallus*), mainly due to habit loss and poaching. Gaur has already been domesticated by the indigenous people in CHT.**

Observed impacts on populations and species

- **Populations and Species are declining due to habitat loss, revenge killing and poaching.**

Major opportunities

- Bangladesh has got Strong Regulatory Prohibition on Poaching and Hunting of Wildlives
- Institutional Set-up of Forest Department, Department of Environment under the Ministry of Environment and Forests are there to address the hunting and poaching of wildlives
- For the Muslims there is Religious barrier to eat meat of wildlives in most cases of animals.

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