

Biodiversity Challenge Funds Projects Darwin Initiative, Illegal Wildlife Trade Challenge Fund, and Darwin Plus Half Year Report

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Project reference	DAREX007
Project title	Scaling rights-based approaches for conservation and poverty reduction in Indonesia
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Outline progress over the last 6 months (April – Sept) against the agreed project implementation timetable (if your project has started less than 6 months ago, please report on the period since start up to end September).

Although we are not looking for specific reporting against your indicators, please use this opportunity to consider the appropriateness of your M&E systems (are your indicators still relevant, can you report against any Standard Indicators, do your assumptions still hold true?). The guidance can be found on the resources page of the relevant fund website.

Output Indicators

1.1. Number of ha of new areas under community management through the social forestry scheme by end of year 5 (baseline= 0, Y1 = 5000, Y2 = 2000, Y3 = 42885, Y5 = 91,346) **[DI-D09]**

13,469 hectares of the area received social forestry permits from the Ministry of Environment and Forestry in August 2023 and are under management plans with the community.

1.2. Number of women's groups established and supported around resource use in tenurial areas (baseline = 0, Y1 = 2, Y2 = 4, Y3 = 8, Y4 = 10, Y5 = 12)

Seven women groups were established and supported at three project sites. These groups consisted of working groups for literacy and a healthy family, social forestry enterprise groups, and productive business groups managed by all women members. *We will seek to increase the ambition of this indicator through a change request since we have surpassed our targets quickly.*

1.3. Number of ha of total area [existing areas + new areas] under community management by end of year 5 (baseline = 33,000 ha, Y3 = 75,000, Y5 = 125,000) **[DI-D01]**

24,023 ha have been granted permits for forest villages by the government. This includes 10,554 ha of existing areas in two sites: 2 villages in coastal, 1 village in terrestrial, and 13,469 ha of new areas in 1 site (3 villages) in terrestrial.

1.4. Percentage of ha of nearshore fishery and terrestrial rainforest with co-management agreements in place by year 5 (baseline = 0, Y3= 157,768ha)

There has been no progress on this indicator in this reporting period. However, we have identified 247,175 ha (Nature Reserve - 53,504 ha, Protected Forest - 193,671 ha) that can be managed collaboratively. We will update the percentage of the above area (247,175) managed collaboratively in each annual report.

2.1. number of adaptive resource management plans developed (baseline = 1, Y1 = 4, Y2 = 8, Y3 = 12, Y4 = 14, Y5 = 18) **[DI-B03]**

In progress and not yet approved

2.2. number of adaptive resource management plans in place in existing areas with secured tenure at the start of the project period (baseline = 1, Y1 = 2, Y2 = 4, Y3 = 6)

In progress and not yet approved

2.3. number of adaptive resource management plans in place in new areas with secured tenure over the project period (baseline = 0, Y1 = 2, Y2 = 4, Y3= 6, Y4 = 10, Y5=12)

In progress and not yet approved

2.4. number of SMART patrol units established (baseline = 7, Y1 = 9, Y2=11, Y3=13, Y4=14, Y5=16)

In total, 16 units are active across current sites. *We will seek to increase the ambition of this indicator through a change request since we have surpassed our targets quickly.*

2.5. percentage of total target area patrolled with improved surveillance by community-led SMART patrols in both co-management areas and exclusive access areas (baseline=12%, Y3=50%, Y5=87%)

During July to September 2023, 28.22% (122,177.32 ha) total area patrolled of the total target area (433,019.29) with improved surveillance by community-led SMART patrols

3.1. number of governance institutions supported (baseline= 7, Y1 = 12, , Y3=30, Y4=35, Y5=40)

8 governance institutions in two sites were added to the baseline value. In total, 15 governance institutions have been supported to date. *We will seek to increase the ambition of this indicator through a change request since we have surpassed our targets quickly.*

3.2. 3100 number of individuals supported via governance institutions as direct beneficiaries (baseline = 500, Y1 = 1000, Y2 = 1500, Y3 = 2100, Y5 = 3100) **[DI-A06]**

4,309 individuals were supported through 47 established Governance Institutions in two sites during this reporting period. *We will seek to increase the ambition of this indicator through a change request since we have surpassed our targets quickly.*

3.3. % increase in saving/loans assets within governance institutions with savings/loans program baseline established in year 1, Y1=+10%, Y2=+15%, Y3=+30%, Y4=+30%, Y5=+30%)

The value of assets accrued by the project's savings and loans program increased by 10.24% in this reporting period (between May and August 2023). We calculated the growth rate of the assets by taking the value of total assets up to May 2023 (IDR 2,753,924,263.15) as the baseline and compared it to the total value of assets accrued until August 2023 (total assets was IDR 3,035,833,585.15)

3.4. loan repayment rate (%) from governance institutions with savings/loans program (baseline= established after opening of savings/loans, Y1 = 75%; Y2 = 80%; Y3 = 80%; Y4 = 80%; Y5 = 80%)

The loan repayment will be calculated after the savings/loans program has been running for one (1) fiscal year. The value will be presented in our annual report.

3.5. % of governance institutions by end of year five can design and implement work plans on social-ecological thematic areas (fisheries, farming, health, livelihoods, savings/loans) (baseline = 7, Y1=10, Y2=15, Y3=30, Y4=35, Y5=40)

We facilitated the establishment of 47 governance institutions that are already operating their program activities in savings/loans, farming, health, fisheries, and livelihoods. Eight (see Indicator 3.2.) of 47 governance institutions were newly established during this reporting period. The percentage value for the capable institutions to design and implement work plans will be available by the end of the project (Y5).

4.1. farmers trained in climate smart agriculture practices by end of year 5 (baseline = 420, Y1 = 500, Y2 = 600, Y3 = 600, Y4 = 700, Y5 = 800) **[DI-D11]**

During this reporting period, 58 farmers participated in project facilitated training on using semi-organic herbicides and grafting trees for agroforestry programs.

4.2. number of new incomes generating opportunities supported (baseline = 0, Y1 = 3, Y2 = 6, Y3 = 9)

On progress mentoring communities and giving technical assistance as needed.

4.3. number of fishers supported through improved fisheries management by end of year 5 (baseline = 130, Y1 = 150, Y2 = 180, Y3 = 250, Y4 = 350, Y5 = 480)

190 fishers were supported on our coastal site through our fisheries program during this reporting period.

5.1. number of health ambassadors trained and supported (baseline=established in year 1, Y1 = 50, Y2 = 150, Y3 = 200)

We have trained and supported a total of 314 health ambassadors (52 of them are the new additional Health Ambassadors recruited during July-September 2023 in 3 sites)

5.2. number of households reached by health ambassadors by end of year 5 (baseline = 500, Y1 = 1200, Y2 = 1500, Y3 = 1700, Y4 = 2000, Y5 = 2000)

1,672 households were reached by the trained health ambassadors through our public health education and outreach. The basic and mandatory topic delivered is "12 Indicators of Healthy Family."

5.3. number of travelling clinics supported in project areas annually (baseline = 6, Y1 = 6, Y2 = 6, Y3 = 6, Y4 = 6, Y5 = 6)

Between July and September 2023, project supported Health Ambassadors facilitated 14 traveling clinics in partnership with the local government health clinics.

2. Give details of any notable problems or unexpected developments/lessons learnt that the project has encountered over the last 6 months. Explain what impact these could have on the project and whether the changes will affect the budget and timetable of project activities.

There were no unexpected developments that occurred during the three-month duration of the project (July to September 2023). In the first 3 months of the project, we have successfully implemented an assessment to determine the eligibility and acceptance of communities, particularly in the new sites. The assessment was done through a survey to develop a baseline for the needs of the local community. Above all, prior to this assessment, we built intensive communication with the village government. We are prioritizing the building of strong communication and coordination with various stakeholders, both within individual sites and across multiple landscapes. This will be crucial for us as the project has large coverage in terms of legal statuses, diverse communities (social, cultural, and ethnic), and different types of ecosystems (terrestrial, marine, and coastal). Currently, we are in the initial stages of supporting multiple partnership communities to develop resource management plans and the necessary tools to manage key biological resources.

3. Have any of these issues been discussed with NIRAS and if so, have changes been made to the original agreement?

Discussed with NIRAS: No

Formal Change Request submitted: No

Received confirmation of change acceptance No

Change request reference if known:

4a. Please confirm your actual spend in this financial year to date (i.e. from 1 April 2023 – 30 September 2023)

Actual spend: £ ██████████

4b. Do you currently expect to have any significant (e.g. more than £5,000) underspend in your budget for this financial year (ending 31 March 2024)?

Yes No Estimated underspend: £

4c. If yes, then you need to consider your project budget needs carefully. Please remember that any funds agreed for this financial year are only available to the project in this financial year.

If you anticipate a significant underspend because of justifiable changes within the project, please submit a re-budget Change Request as soon as possible. There is no guarantee that Defra will agree a re-budget so please ensure you have enough time to make appropriate changes if necessary. Please DO NOT send these in the same email as your report.

NB: if you expect an underspend, do not claim anything more than you expect to spend this financial year.

5. Are there any other issues you wish to raise relating to the project or to BCF management, monitoring, or financial procedures?

No, there are no other issues that we would like to raise at this moment.

Please note: Any planned modifications to your project schedule/workplan can be discussed in this report but **should also be raised with NIRAS through a Change Request. **Please DO NOT send these in the same email.****

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