

"The Green Coast project is restoring and managing coastal ecosystems to increase livelihood security for people in tsunami hit regions"

Small Grants Projects in Indonesia: Coastal region of Banda Aceh and Aceh Besar

Coral Reef Protection for Sustainable Fisheries

Eliminating Destructive Fishing in Anoi Itam Village, Sabang District

On the 26th of December 2004 ...

...Anoi Itam, a village, located in about 12 kilometres away from Sabang city, must experience with much more damaged coral reefs which were already existed before the earthquake and tsunami occurred over destructive fishing practices. Even before the tsunami, the result of destructive fishing practices in this area had caused the community - mostly fisher- a significant less income each day. An integrated approach in conserving the coastal resources is a must for maximum results, either for the environmental or economic concerns.

The objective of the project

The long term goal of the project is to establish a sustainable community based coastal resource management. The main objectives of the project are:

- Re-greening coastal areas by planting at least 3.000 coastal vegetation
- Developing a strategic plan for a village level integrated coastal management
- Revitalization of traditional regulations in conserving coastal resources
- Strengthening the role and capacity of local institution and community group by delivering trainings on organization management, planning and development as well as sustainable natural resources management

The project at a glance...

Location:

Anoi Itam village, situated on North Coast of NAD, in Sabang District

Period:

14 March 2006 up to 13 March 2007

Targeted number of beneficiaries:

approximately 421 people.

Approved budget:

Euro 48,762

Rehabilitated Targeted Area:

10 ha and another 20 ha for Marine Protected Area.



Sea Garden in Sabang
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- Establishing a community based marine protected area through collaborative work with local government
- Capacity building for community in organizing eco-tourism business as alternatives for income source



Discovery of new coral reefs
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Who is implementing the project

The project is being implemented by Pusat Gerakan dan Advokasi Rakyat (PUGAR) which will facilitate a collaborative work between local community and other stakeholders by carrying out of a series public consultation, training and advocacy. The establishment of a community based protected area will be managed under a village level strategic plan and a revitalized traditional regulations and institution.



Coral reef transplantation
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What do the beneficiaries have to say?

“We used to obtain approximately IDR 70.000 (equals to USD 7). But then it got less each day since fishermen from outside our village using damaging fishing gears like bomb, poison and trawl in catching the fish. Now, with the opportunity offered within the project, we have to improve our efforts in conserving our areas and its resources for a sustainable benefit.” *(Beneficiaries)*

What is the Green Coast project?

The Green Coast Project aims to restore coastal ecosystems and provide natural shelter and other benefits and services to people that live in vulnerable coastal regions. In Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Thailand and Malaysia partner organizations work together in three closely interlinked parts of the Green Coast project, to:

- Assess the tsunami impacts on ecosystems and livelihoods, as well as local communities views and rights
- Influence governments and aid agencies and corporate sector to sustainable manage and restore coastal natural resources
- Facilitate small grants for community-based rehabilitation projects

The project is managed by Wetlands International and financed during 1,5 year by Novib/Oxfam Netherlands through Dutch public charity funds.

In Indonesia the Green Coast project is being implemented by the Wetlands International Indonesia, Program WWF-Indonesia and GEF-Small Grants Programme