

# Community based rehabilitated projects

**The Small Grants Facility will support projects that promote the restoration of coastal ecosystems and ecologically sustainable reconstruction efforts.**

The Small Grants Facility (SGF) will assist local NGOs, CBOs and small-scale enterprises to implement projects related to ecosystem management and restoration in tsunami-affected areas in Thailand. In accordance with the criteria of the Green Coast project, the SGF will provide funds to projects implemented in the effected areas in Had Tay Muang and Kuraburi district at Phang Nga Province. Projects are to be implemented with community participation, seeking to harmonise with the needs, views, expertise and experience of local stakeholders.

## **Women**

SGF projects will be based, whenever possible, on a participatory approach. Gender equity being an important aspect of the Green Coast project as a whole, project activities are to seek to improve the position of women or at least avoid detrimental effects on gender-related issues. Also, special attention is to be paid to areas such as the differences between men and women with respect to resources, access to resources, participation in decision-making and so on.

## **Recipients**

Grants recipients proposals can be submitted by:

TAOs (Tambon Administrative Organization), Local NGOs and CBOs. These organizations should have a proven (preferably) or otherwise potential capacity to implement projects in the fields of nature conservation and sustainable use of natural resources. The TAOs, NGOs, and CBOs should also have experience and sufficient capacity (preferably proven, otherwise potential) in project management and financial management and control.

Local government authorities and divisional administration, preferably in partnership with NGOs/CBOs/TAOs.

## **Fields of activity**

As part of the criteria, all projects must aim to restore, conserve, maintain or improve the quality of coastal ecosystems. Proposed projects must be centred on one or more of the following fields of activity.

Ecosystem restoration: ecosystem restoration and production function of the ecosystem.

Lobby: activities related to influencing policy and decision makers on conservation and sustainable management of coastal ecosystems, especially in relation to post-tsunami reconstruction efforts.

Gender and ecosystem based livelihoods.

Education and awareness raising or capacity building