



# Balochistan Partnerships for Sustainable Development

Minutes of 4th Annual Meeting Programme  
Advisory Group (PAG) 20 December, 2011



INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURE

## **PAG Participants:**

1. Ms. Rabia Zafar, Chairperson SBKWU
2. Mr. Noor Ahmed Samoon, Depty Commissioner Lasbela
3. Mr. Talha Hussain Haider, ADC R Gawadar
4. Dr. Mohammad Sadiq, Deputy Director Livestock Mastung
5. Major (r) Akber Lashari, DG BCDA Gawader
6. Mr. Ali Gul Kurd, Director Livestock Mastung
7. Mr. Zahoor Bazai, Director FTDC,UoB
8. Mr. Kamal Hassan Siddique, Executive member Hassan & Company
9. Mr. Qurban Ali, XEN Irrigation Pishin
10. Mr. Nazeer Ahmed, SE Irrigation Quetta
11. Mr. Ayub Tareen, BBC Pashto
12. Mr. Adnan Badini, PS to DC BCDA
13. Mr. Mohammad Ali Batur EPA Balochistan
14. Mr. Fazal Haq Kakar Manager UNDP Area development Program

## **Media Participation**

1. Mr. Abdullah Magsi, News reporter ARY
2. Sheikh Akber, APP English service
3. Mr. Mohd Bilal APP English Service
4. Mr. Habib ARY News
5. Mr. Abdul Sattar Arman, Express News Pishin

## **IUCN Participation**

1. Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash, Manager, IUCN - Balochistan Program
2. Mr. Irfan Ali Bukhtiari, IWRM Coordinator
3. Mr. Naseebullah, District Coordinator BPSD
4. Mr. Najam-ul Haq, Finance Officer, BPSD IUCN
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15. Mr. Aziz Mengal Officer In charge IRC

## **Agenda Item 1 & 2: Visit of the PAG Members to the areas of Pishin where IUCN field activities were carried out during 2011.**

All the PAG members were taken to Qila Iskan Khan and Rehmatullah Karez areas where they were briefed about innovative karez rehabilitation activities being undertaken by IUCN. All the members keenly witnessed the completed and on-going activities of the Karez Rehabilitation process. The PAG members after visiting the Qila Iskan Khan Karez visit the site of Green Tunnel and observed the nursery raising activity.

The members univocally praised the activities of BPSD and encouraged IUCN field staff for continuing their activities with the same zeal and zest. The participants returned to DC rest house Pishin after the field visit where lunch was served which was followed by progress sharing.

## **Agenda Item 3: Election of the Chair**

Major (r) Mohammad Akber Lashari, DG BCDA Gawader was unanimously elected as Chair of the meeting.

## **Agenda item 4. Progress of BPSD for 2010 and planned activities for 2011**

The meeting started with a recitation from the Holy Quran. Afterwards; Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash Manager, IUCN Balochistan Program welcomed the participants followed by a brief introduction of the PAG members.

Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash made a presentation where the advisory group members were briefed about the history, background, role and ToRs of the PAG. He also shared the overall progress of the “Balochistan Partnerships for Sustainable Development” programme and its main objectives focusing on its geographical and thematic coverage, objectives, activities and the expected results of the project. The participatory and partnership building approaches of the IUCN towards achieving these objectives were also described in detail by him.

Mr. Bangash also shared the activity-wise progress achieved for the period January to December 2011. The PAG members appreciated the overall progress of the BPSD and the efforts put in by the staff members at all levels. Challenges and obstacles of the field were also discussed in detail. PAG members showed their keen interest in the overall progress of the BPSD and appreciated the IUCN team for putting their best in achieving the results.

PAG members were very keen in getting additional information on the process of the capacity building component and trainings imparted under it, ID DVs development and finalization and support provided to different districts governments in ID DVs implementation, the work done under the IWRM component and the ICZM Plan development. They also asked many questions on the above-mentioned components of the BPSD and showed their satisfaction on the progress achieved so far.

## **Agenda item 5 . General discussion and suggestions - PAG members**

General discussion on the progress followed, being the 5<sup>th</sup> agenda item. Following were the main points of the discussion:

### **Mr. Ayub Tareen BBC Pashto**

Mr. Ayub told that the grazing farms in Pishin have dried up which is effecting the survival of livestock and requested IUCN to take proper action regarding the prevailing situation. He also suggested to train the farmers in that area how to increase the production of fodder. In reply to these questions Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangsh said that IUCN's interventions in district Pishin are in initial stage, however information regarding this problem can be solved to some extent through participation in a workshop on Integrated Natural Resource Management to be arranged on 30<sup>th</sup> December,2011.

Mr. Ayub Tareen also informed that huge quantities of water is wasted every year due to the non-availability of proper conservation system. He urged to encourage the installation of rain-water harvesting systems to conserve water to meet the demand of agriculture sector to which Mr. Bangash said that IUCN is trying to coordinate with relevant Government and civil society organizations.

### **Ms. Rabia Zafar Chairperson Environment Department SBKWU**

Ms. Rabia Zafar of SBKWU came up with a suggestion to utilize GIS for Disaster Risk Management in the districts for effective response.

In respons Mr. Bangash told that IUCN has already been using GIS for the said purpose and necessary capacity building trainings have been conducted for the GoB and civil society organizations.

### **Mr. Kamal Hassan Siddiqui (Balochistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry)**

Activity Calendar for 2012 be circulated among advisory members with option to be part of any activity subject to be availability.

Six proposed children play areas be made and a MOU be signed with any creditable local NGO/CBO for maintainance and ownership.

Project taken for upgrading of Hanna Lake site is made on such location where public access is available as 70% area is under army control where public does not have access.

Mapping/Topo sheet, available for future drinking water is highlighted for Govt/Donor to invest for future drinking water needs specially in Quetta Valley.

### **Mr. Fazal Haq Kakar UNDP Area Development Program**

Mr. Fazal Haq kakar Provincial Coordinator UNDP Area Development Programme said that IUCN must consider the upland area of Iskan Khan for the construction of biogas plant as people having large ruminants can take benefit from these plants as alternate source of energy.

He further said that Balochistan is gifted province where people depend on agriculture and livestock. IUCN should start their interventions regarding multi-cut fodder in Kohlu and MusaKhail which are the most important areas in terms of livestock then the shortage of fodder in the said districts can be resolved.

To this Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash said that the mentioned districts does not fall in the target area of IUCN.

### **Mr. Zahoor Bazai, Director FTDC, UoB**

Mr. Zahoor Bazai asked to share the annual work plan with him for his inputs prior to the meeting as well as suggested Programme Advisory Group (PAG) meeting to be held by bi-annually.

He also suggested that a workshop on “waste material” to be held on 30<sup>th</sup> and requested IUCN staff to ensure their participation in that event.

### **Mr. Noor Ahmed Samoon, Deputy Commissioner Lasbela**

Mr. Noor Ahmed Samoon Deputy Commissioner Lasbela stated that precious rain water is wasted every year which can be conserved easily if IUCN take up this issue and start working on Lakhra and Hingol river basin.

He also requested to share the work plan of PAG before the meeting for his contribution. He also raised the issue that IUCN must form a strategy to reduce the impact of pollution being caused by the industrial activities in Gaddani and Hub.

He once again requested IUCN to conduct climate change workshop in Lasbela in which he will not only arrange the venue but also assemble around 500 people comprised of government officials, Ullama and students.

Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash replied that the work plan will be shared with him from now onward. He also informed that IUCN has already conducted Climate Change workshop in LUAWMS and will repeat it at appropriate time.

### **Mr. Talha Hussain Haider ADC Gwadar**

ADC Gwadar told that IUCN has stopped its activities in Dasht River due to the security reason but he assured proper security by the district Government if IUCN continues its activities.

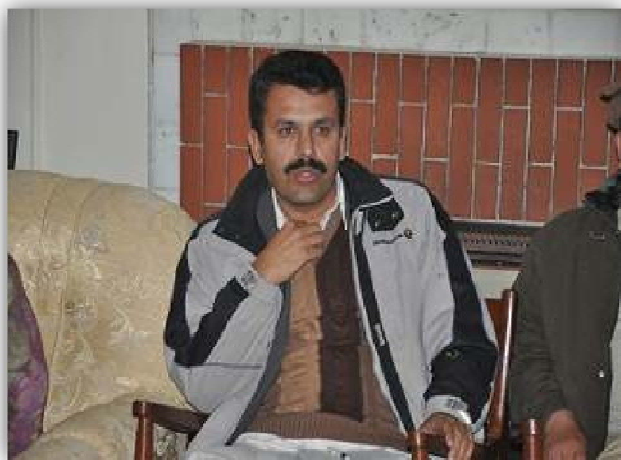
He also requested to plant mangroves in the coastal area, which according to Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash is not possible since these plant require both sweet and saline water which is not possible in Dasht.

Mr. Zabardast Khan Bangash further informed that IUCN has planted 1.4 million mangrove plants in Shadi Kore due to the favorable condition for these plants. He said that his request to rehabilitate the dams in Dasht cannot be fulfilled due to the restricted movement from the higher authorities in that area.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by Zabardast Khan Bangash.

Pictures of PAG Meeting







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