

## Activity n.11

## Area COMMUNITIES WELL BEING

Activity code: AA3c

# Training in natural resource management best practices at community level

### EXPECTED RESULT R3

#### Local-level natural resource management improved

This result will be achieved by an integration of "soft" - awareness rising and information - and "hard" - institutional development and best practices – activities. The definition of the result itself is to some degree dependent on the ongoing developments regarding the CKNP Management Plan, with regard to zoning and use-regulations and will be closely coordinated with this ongoing process. Lessons learned about implementation of park regulations and NRM management at the local level has been taken into account in order to render the activities most successful and to avoid known pitfalls. Furthermore, sensitization and awareness raising are being carried out in reference to an existing communication and outreach strategy and program for conservation-related issues.

Implementing partners: WWF



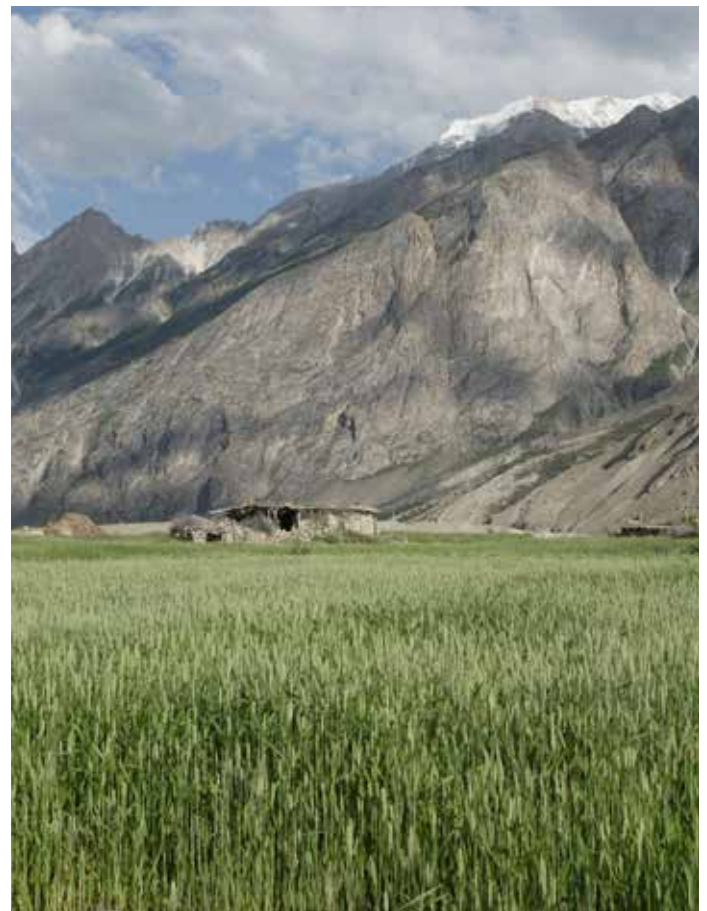
Implementation Period - 15 Months

Focus area - Braldo, Basha, Hushey, Tormik, Thaley, Balgar, Astak, Haramosh, Bagrote and Hisper Valleys.

Budget - 1,941,948 PKR

### Numbers

54 people trained in natural resource management best-practices techniques.





**RESULTS:**

The trainings aim at capacity building of locals in natural management training. To date 54 people from CKNP area (Community members, CKNP and WWF staff) have been trained in natural resources management through two trainings, while two trainings are underway in 9th semester. The trainings covered topics on pasture improvement techniques, improved animal husbandry, monthly wildlife monitoring, proven techniques of social forestry, sustainable horticulture and livestock insurance schemes. The trainees will work as resource persons or extension workers among the local communities around CKNP to implement pasture and livestock management related initiatives of WWF – Pakistan under the SEED Project for CKNP.

The resource persons from the Wildlife, Agriculture and Livestock Departments of Gilgit-Baltistan provided an opportunity for participants to interact with officials of line departments and several mutual collaboration opportunities were highlighted, e.g. provision of fodder seed by Agriculture department and medicine by Livestock department, to enhance implementation of trainings by participants. VCCs have been asked to benefit from the trainees' knowledge and skills by engaging them in various activities concerning NRM.

**CKNP**

The Central Karakoram National Park (CKNP), in the Northern Area of Pakistan, was declared National Park in 1993. In 2014 the CKNP, thanks to the Seed Project, with official approval of the Management Plan by the Gilgit Baltistan Government, becomes fully operational. It is a mountain area covering over 10,000 km<sup>2</sup> that includes the world's largest glaciers, outside the Polar Regions. CKNP is the highest National Park all over the world encompassing four peaks over 8,000 m including K2 [www.ckn.org](http://www.ckn.org)

**Seed**

The SEED (Socio Economic and Environmental Development) Project is carried out in Gilgit- Baltistan by EvK2C-NR, in collaboration with KIU (Karakoram International University) and other partners. The project, fully financed by the Governments of Italy and Pakistan through PIDSA (Pakistan Italian Debt for Development Swap Agreement), aims at an integrative development of CKNP region.

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