

# Wetlands and Poverty Eradication



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- Resolution XI.13 : An Integrated Framework for linking wetland conservation and wise use with poverty eradication (COP 11, 2012)
- Building on earlier work:
  - Resolution X.28 – Wetlands and Poverty Eradication (COP 10, 2008)
  - Resolution IX.14 – Wetlands and Poverty Reduction (COP 9, 2005)

## **Task Description**

1. Advice to CPs and Policy makers on how to mainstream the “Integrated Framework for linking wetland conservation and wise use with poverty eradication” into national policies and programs for poverty eradication.
2. Development of structured ‘guide to available guidelines and tools’ for addressing poverty eradication in relation to wetlands.
3. Case studies and best practices on the application of the Framework for assessing poverty in association with wetlands wise use.

## **Proposed outputs**

1. A DR based on Resolution XI.13 with guidance in an Annex that outlines the strategic steps required to mainstream the IF
2. Information Paper with structured guide to available guidance
3. A publication on case studies on wetlands and poverty inter-linkages

# Task 1: Progress



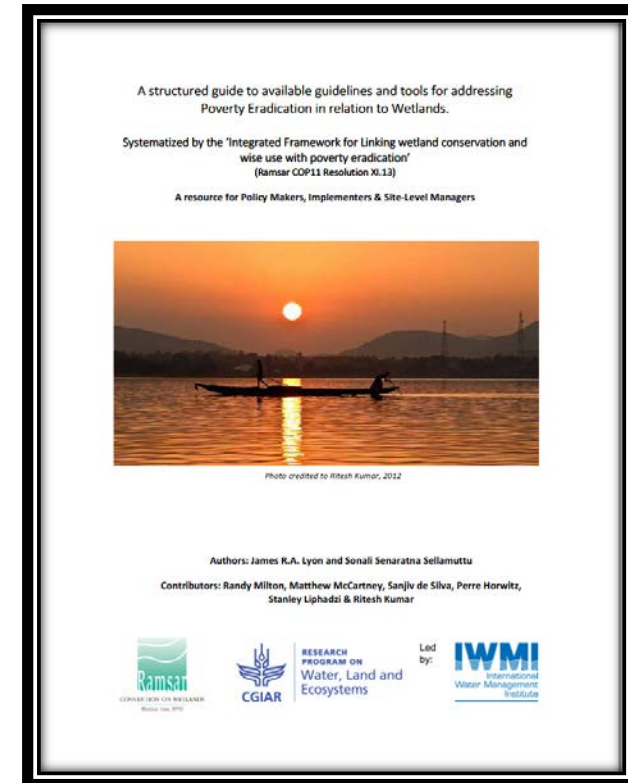
- A consultation workshop was organized with donors and development agencies in India (at the Ramsar site Lake Chilika) in June 2014
- Consultant hired to produce 3 discussion papers to be used as a basis for the consultation.
- A paper is being produced by WG drawing on the above – likely format a Ramsar Briefing note.

## **Next Steps**

- Further consultations to obtain feedback before finalizing paper.
  - Consult via email a range of donors/development agencies
  - Webinar
  - Pre-COP meeting in Cambodia
- Potential options for introducing to CPs at COP

# Task 2: Progress

- An intern was hired to undertake this task. Funding support was provided by IWMI. Task was completed in March 2014 and feedback received from WG members was taken on board.
- Propose to be submitted as a Ramsar Technical Report.



# Task 3: Progress:

- An intern was hired to undertake this task. Funding support was provided by IWMI. The final draft report circulated for comment to the WG end July 2014. Currently addressing feedback – will be completed in October 2014.
- Format the final output – to be discussed by WG at the STRP meeting in September 2014.