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THE EAST ASIAN – AUSTRALASIAN FLYWAY PARTNERSHIP SECRETARIAT 2024 WORLD MIGRATORY BIRD DAY SMALL GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made on **19 September 2024** among, **The East Asian–Australasian Flyway Partnership Secretariat**, (hereinafter referred to as '**EAAFP Secretariat**') and **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society**.

WHEREAS:

The **EAAFP Secretariat** and **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** intend to cooperate together for the benefit of the conservation of migratory waterbirds and their habitats, and in furtherance of such co-operation the **EAAFP Secretariat** wishes to contribute towards the cost of a project to promote the World Migratory Bird Day (hereinafter referred to as 'the Project') to be undertaken by **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society**.

IT IS AGREED as follows:

1. THE PROJECT

- 1.1 The **EAAFP Secretariat** and **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** agree to co-operate together for the benefit of the conservation of migratory waterbirds and their habitats, it being mutually agreed that the execution of the Project by **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** will make an important contribution to this end.
- 1.2 The parties agree that to the best of their knowledge and belief the Project to be funded under this agreement is for the achievement of outputs that fall within **EAAFP's** Objectives.
- 1.3 Attached to and forming an integral part of this agreement are:
 - Annex A containing the agreed *Project Description*,
 - Annex B containing the agreed *Project Budget*, and
 - Annex C containing the agreed *Project Payment and Reporting Schedule*,
 - which **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** hereby declares it has noted and accepted.
 - **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** undertake to adhere to Annexes A, B and C in the execution of the Project and to use the **EAAFP Secretariat's** financial contribution solely for the purposes of the Project. Any amount not specifically used for the purpose stipulated may be recovered by the **EAAFP Secretariat**.
- 1.4 The parties agree that Annexes A, B and C to this agreement can be modified, when necessary, through the exchange of Contract amendment letters signed on behalf of three parties.
- 1.5 By accepting this finance from the **EAAFP Secretariat**, **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** agrees to complete all the work described in Annex A that is scheduled for the duration of this agreement.



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- 1.6 **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** agree to translate the necessary materials for World Migratory Bird Day in their language and feedback to **EAAFP Secretariat** and agree that the logos of WMBD and EAAFP have to be included in all printed materials under the Project. And the event has to be registered on the WMBD website: <https://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/register-your-event>.

2. FUNDING

- 2.1 The **EAAFP Secretariat** agrees to provide funding to **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** for the Project on the terms and conditions contained in this agreement.
- 2.2 Where the work detailed in Annex A is sub-contracted to or done concurrently with additional work supported by additional organisations, **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** holds the responsibility of notifying all parties and ensuring that there are no conflicts arising between agreed activities. **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** is also responsible for ensuring that those sub-contracted to carry out any part of this work agree to and observe in full the various conditions detailed in this document and Annexes.

3. PAYMENTS

- 3.1 The **EAAFP Secretariat** will pay **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** a lump sum for the production of the contract services and deliverables, in accordance with the Budget and Payment Schedule set out in Annex B and C. **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** will invoice the **EAAFP Secretariat** as set out in Annex C and the **EAAFP Secretariat** agrees to pay such invoices within 30 days, subject to approval of invoices.
- 3.2 If there are any Project funds provided by the **EAAFP Secretariat** which have not been spent on or committed to **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society**, the subsequent payment will be adjusted accordingly.
- 3.3 On expiry or prior termination of this agreement, any Project funds provided by the **EAAFP Secretariat** which have not been spent on or committed to the Project by **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society**, will be repaid to the **EAAFP Secretariat** by **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society**.
- 3.4 Payments to be made by the **EAAFP Secretariat** may be withheld if in the **EAAFP Secretariat's** view satisfactory progress has not been made or technical or financial reports (or Partner Indicators, if applicable) of either the present or any previous funding agreement between the parties has not been received by the due date.
- 3.5 All sums payable under this Agreement by the **EAAFP Secretariat**, unless otherwise stated, are deemed to be inclusive of any duties or taxes payable.

4. REPORTING

- 4.1 **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** will provide Reports to the **EAAFP Secretariat** according to the specifications and schedule as shown in Annex C.



5. FINANCIAL RECORDS AND CONTROL

5.1 **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** will use all reasonable endeavours to carry out the Project in the most economical manner and in particular will source goods and services required for the Project in the most cost-effective manner.

6. DISSEMINATION OF PROJECT RESULTS

6.1 The parties agree that as the Project is to be undertaken for the benefit of bird conservation, the results of the Project, including the materials generated from the Project shall be made freely available to anyone with a legitimate interest in using the results for the furtherance of conservation on non-commercial purposes.

7. COMMENCEMENT, DURATION AND TERMINATION

7.1 This agreement will come into effect on the date written at the heading of this agreement and, unless terminated by one of the parties under the provisions of Clause 7.2 below, will expire 6 months after the final payment has been made by the **EAAFP Secretariat** to **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society**.

7.2 Either party may at any time and for any reason give not less than 3 months' written notice to the other that it wishes to terminate this agreement, at the end of which notice period this agreement will duly terminate.

8. INDEMNITIES

8.1 **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** shall be responsible for dealing with any taxes due relating to their costs incurred whilst undertaking the project covered by this agreement.

SIGNED: 19 September 2024

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Jennifer George

Chief Executive

For and on behalf of:

**East Asian–Australasian Flyway
Partnership Secretariat**

Abdul Afiq bin Abdul Rahman

For and on behalf of:

**Nature Sustainable Ecosystem
Society**



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Annex A: Project Description

Project Title: Shorebirds of Jeram: Guardians of Selangor's Coastline

Date: 23/10/2024

Shorebirds in Jeram, Selangor, are fascinating migratory birds that can be found at the coastal mudflats in this area. These birds, such as plovers, sandpipers, and snipes are making Jeram's diverse habitats as important stopover during their long migrations which offering birdwatchers a unique opportunity to observe a variety of species in a relatively small area. As we are going to celebrate the World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) this year, we want to do educational video titled "Shorebirds of Jeram: Guardians of Selangor's Coastline". This video will highlight the diverse and vibrant shorebird population along the coast of Jeram located in North-central Selangor which listed as important bird and biodiversity area (IBA) location. Thousands of shorebirds utilize the extensive mudflats during low tide for feeding. It showcases the unique behaviours and adaptations of these birds, their critical role in the coastal ecosystem, and the challenges they face due to environmental threats. This video will emphasize the importance of conservation efforts to protect these birds and their habitats, encouraging viewers to take action to preserve Jeram's natural heritage as the condition of the place is worrisome. This video will be directed by our own expert team in Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society (NEST). So far, we have more than 700 followers on Facebook which we believed it will be a good start to raise awareness among our followers. As in Jeram, there is no educational video regarding shorebirds yet, so we hope with this video, it will gain the attention of the government agencies, raise awareness among local communities and public.

Annex B: Budget

Total amount supported from EAAFP: 1000 USD

Annex C: Payment and Reporting

Part 1 – Payment Schedule (Total 1000 in USD)

If you used the wrong bank account information in the contract, the EAAFP assumes no responsibility for this type of error.



Part 2 – Reporting Schedule and template

and **Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society** will provide Project report to **EAAFP Secretariat** as follows:

- Final report by **28 October 2024 or within 2 weeks of the last day** of the planned event according to the approved project proposal.

**EAAFP World Migratory Bird Day small grant
Report Template**

Section 1. EVENT INFORMATION (Compulsory)

1.1 Contact Information - Provide your contact information for this report

Full Name	Abdul Afiq bin Abdul Rahman
Name of the organisation	Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society (NEST)
Name(s) of the division and/or position	Secretary
Type of the organisation - Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other	NGO
Email	
Mailing address	
Office phone numbers	
(Your) Cell number (optional)	
Fax (optional)	
Website (optional)	https://nestsociety.com/
Additional contact person (optional)	
Date of submission	26/10/2024

1.2 Event Location - Where did your event take place?

Name of country	Malaysia
Name of city	Kuala Selangor
Name of event place/venue	Jeram



1.3 Event Organiser - Who were organiser and/or sponsor for your event?

The video is fully funded by EAAFP

1.4 Target Audience - Who were the participants for your event?

School students, teachers or parents	
University students	
Researchers, scientist birdwatchers	
Site managers for flyway site and wetlands	
Decision or policy makers	
Others – specify Communities and public	

1.5 Number of Participants - How many participants were there for your event?

As for this short documentary, we are targeting about 1000 views from our official YouTube channel. Facebook and Instagram will act as medium to promote the documentary

Section 2. EVENT PROGRAMME (Compulsory)

Short documentary titled "*Shorebirds of Jeram: Guardians of Selangor's Coastline*" serves as an educational tool that highlights the critical role of Jeram as a vital stopover for migratory shorebirds. It showcases the unique ecological importance of this coastal area in the context of the East Asian–Australasian Flyway (EAAF), emphasizing the interdependence between shorebirds, their habitats, and the broader ecosystem.

This video highlights the area's significance as a feeding and resting spot for migratory shorebirds, showcasing the natural beauty and ecological importance of the coastline. Key shorebird species featured in the video include the Far Eastern Curlew and Great Knot, both of which are listed as *endangered* due to habitat loss and other threats. Additionally, the video draws attention to near-threatened species like Curlew Sandpiper and Red-necked Stint. This video also explains the importance of insects to migratory shorebirds in line with the year theme 'Protect Insects, Protect Birds

A key concern raised in the video is the issue of littering along the coastline. Plastic waste and pollution pose serious threats to shorebirds, affecting their feeding grounds and resting areas. The video underscores the importance of preserving clean, natural habitats by discouraging littering. The film calls for collective action to protect the shorebirds and their environment, highlighting that clean, safe coastlines are essential for the survival of these guardians of Selangor's coastline.

This short documentary will premiere on October 23, 2024, on the Nature Sustainable Ecosystem Society YouTube channel. Other social media platforms will also be used to support the video such as Facebook and Instagram.



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Section 3. BUDGET REPORT (Compulsory)

Administration	50 USD
Director (Research and scripting)	200 USD
Videographer & Editor	200 USD
Drone Operator	150 USD
Equipment & software rental	200 USD
Travel (fuels and tolls)	200 USD
Total	1000 USD



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Section 4. SHORT SUMMARY REPORT (Compulsory) – This report will be shared on

Provide a short article about your WMBD event or activity you arranged to celebrate WMBD. The following information (venue, organiser, number and type of participants, outcome) should be included in your article. (Minimum 400 words, with photos or videos)

In celebration of 2024 World Migratory Bird Day, this short documentary titled *Shorebirds of Jeram: Guardians of Selangor's Coastline* which premiered on 23 October 2024, shedding light on the vital role Jeram's coastline plays for migratory shorebirds. The documentary highlights how this area in Selangor, Malaysia, serves as an essential stopover and feeding ground for a variety of shorebird species during their long migrations along the East Asian-Australasian Flyway. Jeram's mudflats is critical habitat for shorebirds like sandpipers, plovers, and other waders, which depend on these areas for food and rest.



Photo 1: Footage of Jeram Mudflats that serve as stopover for Migratory Shorebirds to feed and rest



Photo 2: The Short Documentary Titled *Shorebirds of Jeram: Guardians of Selangor's Coastline*



Photo 3: Dr Munira as the Coordinator for shorebirds Peninsular Malaysia Project explaining about Jeram as the stopover for migratory birds.

This video features endangered species like the **Far Eastern Curlew** and **Great Knot**, as well as near-threatened birds such as the **Curlew Sandpiper** and **Red-necked Stint**, showcasing their remarkable journeys and the increasing challenges they face. Habitat loss, pollution, and littering along the shores are threats that directly impacting these migratory species' ability to rest and refuel during their travels



Photo 4 : Footage of Endangered species Great Knot



In line with the theme of World Migratory Bird Day 2024, *'Protect Insects, Protect Birds'*, we emphasize the essential relationship between insects and birds, particularly shorebirds, in sustaining healthy ecosystems. Insects form a significant part of the diet for many bird species, especially migratory shorebirds, which rely on insect populations in coastal areas as vital food sources during their long journeys.



Photo 7: Footage of insects as one of food sources food for shorebirds

This video calls for increased awareness among local authorities and local communities to protect these shorebirds. By highlighting the ecological significance of Jeram's coastline and the urgent need to reduce pollution, the film encourages viewers to take responsibility for maintaining clean and safe environments for the birds that depend on them. This video has been shared on media platforms such as YouTube, Facebook, and Instagram. So far, it has reached over 1,000 views. With this, we hope that this sharing can be spread even more widely. In addition, a letter has been sent by email to the Kuala Selangor Municipal Council to request that the video be shared on the MPKS Facebook page. Sharing the video with the Kuala Selangor Municipal Council (MPKS) may strengthen collaboration, leading to joint efforts in organizing conservation activities, events, or educational programs.



Photo 8 : Footage of rubbish such as plastic wastes and fish nets at Jeram Mudflats



Photo 9: footage of narrator explaining about importance of organizing a cleanup program for the coast



Photo 10: Narrator encourages people to protect migratory shorebirds by taking actions like littering right way, taking care of the coastal and support conservation efforts.

As part of the 2024 World Migratory Bird Day celebrations, this video serves as a reminder of the interconnectedness of ecosystems and the global responsibility to protect migratory birds, which are essential to biodiversity and the health of our planet. Overall, this video premiere is anticipated to create a positive impact, fostering a culture of conservation and raising awareness among community and also local authorities and publics.





SCREENSHOT FROM VIDEO:









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Credit Information	NATURE SUSTAINABLE ECOSYSTEM SOCIETY
Link	OFFICIAL NATURE SUSTAINABLE ECOSYSTEM SOCIETY YOUTUBE
	https://www.youtube.com/@nestnaturesustainableecosy1277

1.7 Outcome - What is the outcome from your event?

Following the premiere of *Shorebirds of Jeram: Guardians of Selangor's Coastline*, the video is expected to attract a significant number of views and interactions across platforms like YouTube, Facebook, and Instagram, leading to increased engagement through likes, shares, and comments. It will raise awareness about the ecological importance of Jeram's coastline and its shorebird populations, prompting community members to become alert about migratory birds that stop at Jeram. The video can serve as a catalyst for advocacy, encouraging local stakeholders to adopt sustainable practices in coastal development and push for stricter regulations to protect critical habitats. It will also be utilized as an educational resource in schools and community programs, fostering a greater understanding of the interconnections between shorebirds, insects, and ecosystems. The premiere may inspire the organization of follow-up events, such as birdwatching tours, conservation workshops, or community clean-up days aimed at protecting shorebird habitats. Lastly, the increased visibility of shorebird conservation could lead to more research initiatives or monitoring programs focused on bird populations and their habitats in the Jeram area, informing future conservation strategies and policies.

Any additional comment? (Optional)

We hope more short documentaries will be produced not only in Jeram but other places in Malaysia that are believed to be crucial places for migratory shorebirds to stopover and the most important thing is to raise awareness.

Note:

- Email us the electronic file (JPEG or PDF) of your language version of the WMBD poster published for EAAFP website;
- Post its printed poster to the **EAAFP Secretariat**, if you can and have one;
- Take enough photos from events or activities with this WMBD poster and send us lots of photos in jpg or png format; and videos as well if you have one.
- Logos of WMBD and EAAFP have to be shown on all your printed and digital promotional materials.