



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	Nang Phyu Phwe
Name of the organisation	Nature Conservation Society-Myanmar (NCS)
Name(s) of the division and/or position	Program Officer
Type of the organisation - Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other	NGO
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Mailing address	
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(Your) Cell number (optional)	
Fax (optional)	
Website (optional)	www.ncsimm.org
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Date of submission	05 November, 2024

1.2 Event Location - Where did your event take place?

Name of country	Myanmar
Name of city	Amar Town, Pyapon Township, Ayeyarwady Region, Myanmar
Name of event place/venue	Khat Tar Kyun Village, Gaw Du Village, Ah Shey Hpyar Village, U Pay Village

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

Event organiser – Nature Conservation Society-Myanmar (NCS)
Sponsor – East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP)

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

School students, teachers or parents	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
University students	<input type="checkbox"/>
Researchers, scientist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Birdwatchers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Site managers for flyway site and wetlands	<input type="checkbox"/>



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Decision or policy makers	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others – specify Local community	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

No.	Audience Type	Number Participated
1.	Students	546
2.	Teachers	20
3.	Researchers,	3
4.	Local Birdwatcher	1
5.	Local community (village leader, LCG)	5
Total		575

Section 2. EVENT PROGRAMME (Compulsory)

Provide your event agenda, programme or discussion paper here.

The WMBD event agenda is as follows:

1. Opening Ceremony
2. Presentation about "The Importance of Birds to Our Ecosystem and Environment"
3. Presentation about the relationship of birds and insects in our ecosystem
4. Presentation about "The Overview of World Migratory Bird Day and its Annually Celebrations, theme of this year"
5. Presentation about "Flyway Network Sites and Threats to Migratory Birds"
6. Presentation about "The Population Status and Conservation Status of Migratory Birds and Wetlands in Myanmar"
7. Participant Quiz Session
8. Prize Awards for Quiz Winners and Giving of Souvenirs to Students and Teachers
9. Refreshments for Students
10. Closing of the ceremony
11. Group Photo Session

Following a presentation by NCS-Myanmar on World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD)—covering its annual celebrations, yearly themes, and specifically highlighting the 2024 theme, "Protect Insects, Protect Birds" - the challenges faced by migratory birds, their population and conservation status, and efforts to protect key wetlands in Myanmar were presented. Total of 15 questions are developed for the quiz and focusing on diverse aspects such as WMBD, migratory birds, Spoon-billed Sandpipers and Ramsar sites in Myanmar. The quiz featured a mix of multiple-choice questions, True/False statements,



and conceptual questions, designed to encourage active participation and deepen participants' understanding of these topics.

1. In which year, World Migratory Bird Day was established? (Multiple choice)
2. How many EAAFP flyway network sites are there for migratory birds in the world? (Multiple choice)
3. How many flyways are crossed Myanmar? (Multiple choice)
4. How many species of birds are there in Myanmar? (Multiple choice)
5. What is the slogan of WMBD for the year of 2024? (Multiple choice)
6. How many Ramsar Sites are there in Myanmar? (Multiple choice)
7. How many Ramsar Sites are there in worldwide? (Multiple choice)
8. Which species of the following birds is Critically Endangered (CR)? (Multiple choice)
9. What is the penalty for killing, injuring, hunting, or trading fully protected wildlife or animals regulated in international trade, including if they are sold, transferred, or exploited in any way according to 2018 Biodiversity and Protected Area Conservation Law?
10. World Migratory Bird Day is celebrated annually on the second Saturday in May and October. (True/False)
11. The total remaining population of Spoon-billed Sandpipers in the world is less than 400. (True/False)
12. The introduction of non-native species does not pose a threat to the native species. (True/False)
13. Describes two facts you know that can pose threats to birds.
14. What are two reasons that highlight the important of birds within our ecosystem?
15. Describe the flyways path of birds that cross on Myanmar.

Section 3. BUDGET REPORT (Compulsory)

Total Budget	\$ 1,000.00
Total Expense	\$ (999.72)
Closing Balance	\$ 0.28

Budget Line	Particular	Expense (\$)
1.	Travel expenses	296.61
2.	Producing cost of tote bags	0.00
3.	Producing cost of caps	345.37
4.	Venue preparation & electric generator hiring	73.45
5.	Refreshments for attendees	282.49
6.	Others_specify	2.00
	Total	999.92



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

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)

For the second World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) event in 2024, the Nature Conservation Society-Myanmar (NCS) celebrated the event across four villages in the Ayeyarwady region, near the Meinmahla Kyun Flyway Network Site (FNS), with support from the East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP). On October 28th, 2024, the NCS-Myanmar team organized the morning WMBD event at Khat Tar Kyun Village, where 185 students and 3 teachers joined at the Basic Education Post Primary School. The program then moved to Gaw Du Village for an afternoon session celebrated at the Basic Education High School, with 41 students and 5 teachers participating. Continuing on October 29th, 2024, the WMBD event began with a morning session at Ah Shey Hpyar Village's Basic Education High School, engaging 200 students and 9 teachers. In the afternoon, the NCS-Myanmar team led the event at U Pay Village's Basic Education Middle School, where 120 students and 3 teachers participated. Because of a tropical cyclone, subsequent flooding, students' mid-year exams and the Thadingyut Festival long holiday, we, NCS-Myanmar, unable to celebrate the World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) event on the planned date of October 12th, 2024. Therefore, we postponed the event to October 28th and 29th, 2024.

The World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) event, organized by NCS-Myanmar, extended with a structured agenda designed to educate and engage participants on the importance of migratory bird conservation. The event began with an opening ceremony, where representatives from NCS-Myanmar, alongside local leaders and school officials, highlighted the importance of WMBD. This was followed by a series of presentations aimed at fostering a deeper understanding of birds and insects roles within the ecosystem. The first presentation, titled "The Importance of Birds and Insects to Our Ecosystem and Environment," focused on how birds and insects contribute to biodiversity, pollination, seed dispersal, and pest control, emphasizing the ecological and economic value of healthy bird populations.

A subsequent session covered the formation of World Migratory Bird Day, providing a historical overview of the day by explaining why the day is celebrated globally and the core objectives behind it and introducing the annual theme of WMBD 2024, "Protect Insects, Protect Birds". This presentation helped students appreciate the global nature of bird conservation efforts. In the third presentation, NCS-Myanmar discussed flyway networks, including the Meinmahla Kyun Flyway Network Site, and highlighted key threats to migratory birds, such as habitat loss, pollution, and hunting. This led into a focused session on the current population trends of migratory birds in Myanmar, which underscored the importance of conserving critical wetlands and protecting endangered species like the Spoon-billed Sandpiper (SBS). After the presentations the songs in Burmese language titled "Migratory birds (NCS-Myanmar)" and the sound of breathing by the Earth (WWF-Myanmar) were introduced. Pamphlets detailing the status of SBS flyway sites were distributed to enhance participant understanding.



The educational session then took a lively turn with an interactive quiz, where students tested their knowledge on topics covered in the presentations. Winners received prizes, and souvenirs with caps knitting with SBS photo were distributed to students and teachers, creating a fun yet educational atmosphere. After the quiz, students enjoyed a short refreshment break, giving them time to discuss their insights and engage informally with presenters. The event concluded with closing remarks from NCS-Myanmar representatives and school teachers, who encouraged participants to advocate for bird conservation within their communities. The event ended with a group photo session, capturing the spirit of unity and awareness shared during the day. This agenda gave students and teachers valuable knowledge about migratory birds and highlighted the importance of protecting these species and their habitats.

The NCS-Myanmar team spent four overnights on the Ngaman Thaug island with local communities and conducted one day bird-watching on the island. Total of over 400 individuals migratory with 17 species and resident waterbirds were recorded.

Table: Migratory bird species recorded on Ngaman Thaug island

No.	Common Name	Scientific name	IUCN Status	Total Individual
1	Siberian/Tibetan Sand-Plover	<i>Anarhynchus mongolus/atrifrons</i>	EN	227
2	Great Knot	<i>Calidris tenuirostris</i>	EN	1
3	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	NT	48
4	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	NT	4
5	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>	NT	52
6	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	NT	1
7	Pacific Golden-Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	LC	75
8	Terek Sandpiper	<i>Xenus cinereus</i>	LC	1
9	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	LC	1
10	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	LC	4
11	Grater Sand-Plover	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	LC	1
12	Red-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	LC	7
13	Pallas's Gull	<i>Ichthyaetus ichthyaetus</i>	LC	4
14	Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	LC	3
15	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	LC	31
16	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	LC	10
17	Sand-plover sp.			7



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Section 5. PHOTO, VIDEO & MATERIALS (Compulsory):

Name of Photo/Video	e.g. photo 1 or video 1
Photo/Video	Please insert a photo here
Credit info	Please provide credit information for this photo/video
Link	Please provide a link of this photo/video (e.g. FB posting or Flickr link)

Photos and captions are provided in the following photo annex section.

1.7 Outcome - What is the outcome from your event?

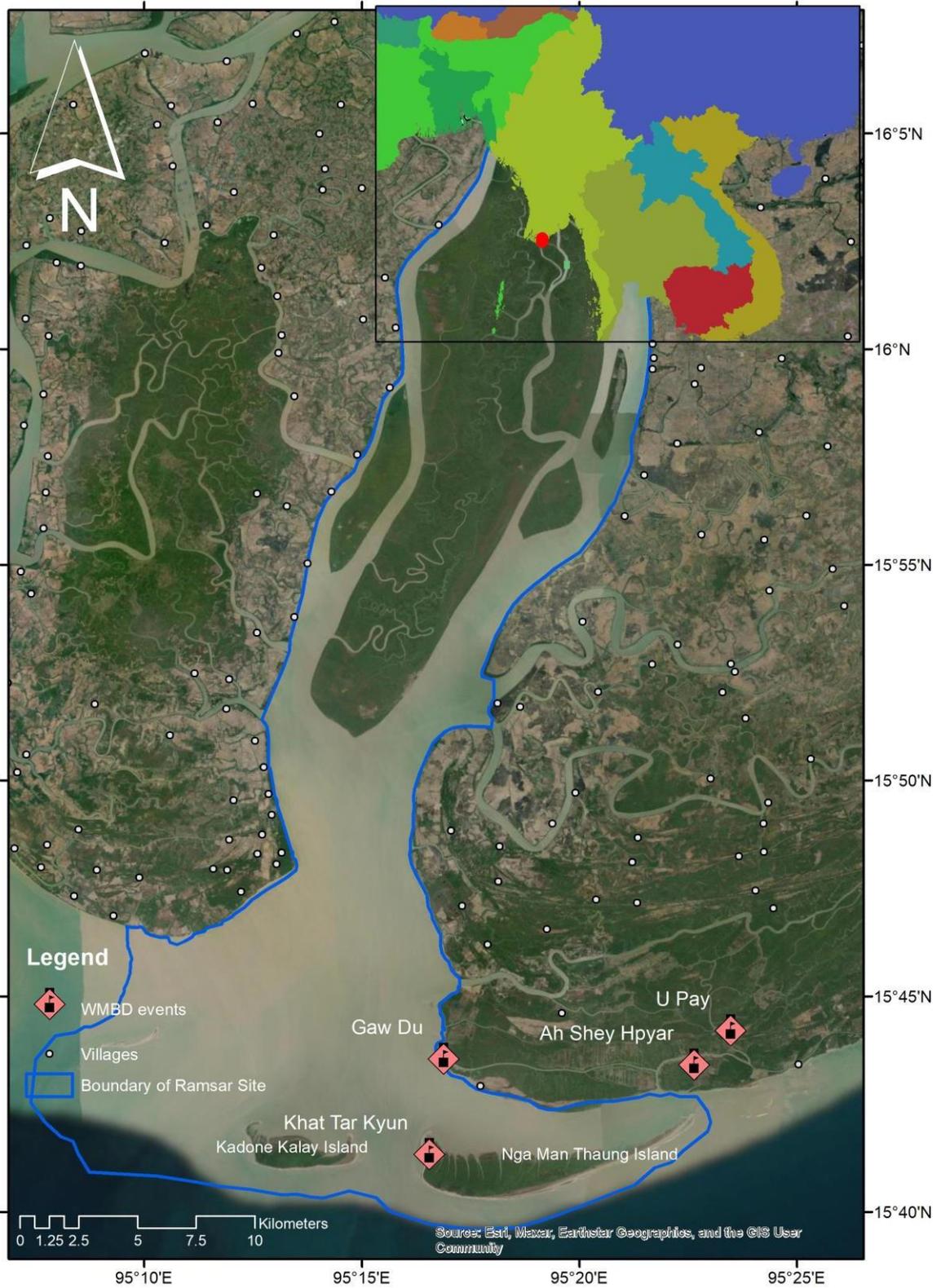
The event had multiple positive outcomes, both educational and conservation-oriented. It successfully raised awareness among students and teachers about the ecological importance of migratory birds and the critical need for their conservation. Over 500 students joined our WMBD events. Through presentations and interactive sessions, participants gained a better understanding of the ecological roles of birds, the threats/challenges they face, and the significance of protecting habitats like the Meinmahla Kyun Flyway Network Site (FNS). The interactive sessions and presentations fostered enthusiasm for conservation, with students and teachers expressing increased interest in supporting bird and habitat protection efforts in their communities. The event also strengthened connections between NCS-Myanmar and local schools, creating a foundation for ongoing environmental education and collaboration in bird conservation initiatives.

Furthermore, the NCS-Myanmar team's four-day stay on Ngaman Thaug Island strengthened their connection with local communities and allowed for direct engagement in conservation activities. During a dedicated bird-watching day on the island, the team recorded over 400 individual migratory and resident waterbirds, with 17 species. This field observation underscored the biodiversity of the area and highlighted the value of local conservation efforts, while fostering an increased interest among community members to support ongoing bird and habitat protection initiatives. This experience also strengthened the foundation for future collaborations between NCS-Myanmar, local schools, and communities to promote sustainable conservation practices.

Any additional comment? (Optional)

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.



Map showing locations of World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) celebration events

Photos of WMBD Event (2024_October)



Photo 1: Small Caps Gift Design



Photo 2: Group photo of the participants



Photo 3: Presentation about WMBD



Photo 4: Presentation about WMBD



Photo 5: Inter-discussion with participants



Photo 6: Inter-discussion with participants



Photo 7: Students answering the quiz



Photo 8: Students answering the quiz



Photo 9: Awarding the participant who wins the prize



Photo 10: Gifting caps to attendees for appreciation



Photo 11: Appreciation Gift to School Officials



Photo 12: Appreciation Gift to School Officials



Photo 13: Quiz answers checking



Photo 14: Bird Watching Photo on Ngaman Thaung island



Photo 15: Migratory Birds on Ngaman Thaug island



Photo 16: Migratory Birds on Ngaman Thaung island



Photo 17: Migratory Birds on Ngaman Thaung island



WMBD Poster 2024 (Burmese Version)