



World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Small Grant 2024

Application Form

WMBD Small Grant 2024 for East Asian–Australasian Flyway

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ANNEX 1

Standard Format for the World Migratory Bird Day

Final Report

Section 1. EVENT INFORMATION (Compulsory)

1.1 Contact Information — Provide your contact information for this report.

Full name:	Arafat Nahin Chowdhury
Name of the organisation:	Meherpur Foundation
Name(s) of the division and/or position:	Project Director
Type of organisation — Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other:	NGO
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Additional contact person (optional):	Sharmin Sultana, Lecturer Soil, Water and Environment Discipline Khulna University Khulna. & Advisor Meherpur Foundation
Date of submission:	28 th October 2024

Please check if you permit to reveal your personal contact information on EAAFP website.

1.2 Event Title

Conservation of Migratory Birds of Chalan Beel Area Through Training and Insects Awareness.
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1.3 Event Location — Where did your event take place?

Name of country:	Bangladesh.
Name of city:	Meherpur, Sirajgonj, Natore and Pabna.
Name of event place/venue:	Various Venues of Meherpur, Sirajgonj, Natore and Pabna District.

1.4 Event Type — Check the relevant categories below.

Public awareness activity — local and/or national:	√
Field trip (e.g. Birdwatching):	√
Monitoring:	√
Educational activity/lecture:	√
Festival:	√
Media event (e.g., press release):	√
Movie/video:	√
Others : Awareness Road Rally	√

1.5 Event Organiser — Who were organiser and/or sponsor for your event?

Event Organiser — Meherpur Foundation Sponsor- EAAF Partnership Secretariat.

1.6 Target Audience — Who were the participants for your event (**Compulsory**)?

Target Audience Types	Number Participated
School students, teachers or parents	3045
University students	10
Birdwatchers	6
Decision or policy makers	15
Media	9
Others — Farmers, Land owners, Forest department officials, Police officials, Birds hunters.	2076
Total number of participants	5161

1.7 Outcome — What is the outcome from your event?

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased understanding of migratory bird ecology and conservation among key stakeholders. • Enhanced awareness of the importance of insects in the diets of migratory birds. • Improved capacity for citizen science monitoring of migratory bird populations and habitats. • Adoption of bird-friendly practices and conservation measures among communities along migratory bird routes. • Policy changes and implementation of measures to protect migratory bird habitats. • Greater support and engagement from stakeholders in migratory bird conservation efforts. • Long-term conservation of migratory bird populations and their habitats for future generations. • About 20,644 family members of 5,161 participants will be educated on Migratory Bird conservation.
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1.8 additional comments? (Optional)

Due to low awareness of pesticide use at the farmer level in those areas where pesticides were used. As a result, various Birds died. Awareness has increased on the use of pesticides. We hope to do projects with Migratory birds in other areas of Bangladesh with the financial support of the EAAFP Secretariat. We express my gratitude on behalf of Meherpur Foundation for giving us the opportunity to do the program on Migratory Birds with the financial support of EAAFP Secretariat.

Section 2. EVENT PROGRAMME (Compulsory)

1. Public awareness activity

We made the pesticide seller aware of the dangers of pesticides.. Raised awareness about how pesticides kill Migratory Birds. Boatmen, Fishermen, bird hunters are informed about Migratory Birds in Chalan Beel area. They have become aware of migratory birds. Farmers have been made aware of how to protect crops without using pesticides to reduce pest infestation.



Migratory Birds Awareness Meeting.



Bill Board Beside Road.



Pesticide Seller aware of the dangers of pesticides



Migratory Bird Awareness Program in Chalan Beel



Migratory Bird Awareness Program for Farmers.

2. Field trip (e.g. Birdwatching)

We went by boat to Padma River and Chalan Beel area of Pabna district for bird watching. We saw various Migratory Birds there. Among them were Indian Skimmer, Pied Avocet, Grey Heron Bird, Grey Headed Lapwing etc.



Birdwatching in Chalan Beel area of Pabna district.

3. Monitoring:

- **Migratory Birds:** During the winter months, migratory birds from colder regions flock to Chalan Beel, including species like Indian Skimmer, Pied Avocet, Grey Headed Lapwing etc. and various types of Sandpipers.
- **Resident Birds:** Local species include herons, egrets, storks, kingfishers, and other waterfowl.



Pied Avocet



Grey Headed Lapwing.

4. Educational activity/lecture:

Students of various educational institutes of Chalan Bill area have been made aware about the conservation of migratory birds. Various government officers have been made aware of migratory birds. 3055 students, 2106 Others have been made aware about Migratory Birds.



Migratory Birds Awareness Lecture for Students.

5. Festival:

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Migratory Birds Festival.

6. Media event:

1. Media coverage by the renowned national Daily Messenger:
<https://www.dailymessenger.net/bangla/country/news/55843>

7. Movie/video:



Video Show About Migratory Birds.

8. Others: Awareness Road Rally



Migratory Birds Awareness Road Rally.

Section 3. SHORT SUMMARY REPORT (Compulsory)

Venue: Fatepur Government Primary School, Chalan Beel, MF Meeting Room and Town Park,

Organiser: Meherpur Foundation

Number and type of participants: 5161 (Students, Farmers, Land owner, Government officials, Insects Seller etc.)

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Later on October 12, 2024, an awareness meeting on migratory birds was held with local farmers, landowners, government officials in the meeting room of Meherpur Foundation at 2 P.M. In the meeting, the Agriculture Officer gave an awareness speech to the farmers about the use of pesticides. Besides, students and landowners are also made aware about migratory birds. The district police officer said in the meeting, "I am aware of all the bird hunters." If they poach birds, we will bring them under the law and punish them.

Later, at 4 pm, a rally on migratory birds was held from the Town park. The rally circumambulated the main Road of the city.

Besides, various meetings were held with fishermen and farmers of Chalan Beel. The participants of the meeting were made aware about migratory birds.

Field days are conducted with farmers, where farmers are made aware about migratory birds. Farmers are encouraged to be aware of Insects use.

Besides, awareness billboards were placed at different places. Due to the presence of bill boards on the roads, the general public will know about the migratory birds by seeing the billboards and will be aware of the conservation of migratory birds.

Outcome:

- Increased understanding of migratory bird ecology and conservation among key stakeholders.
- Enhanced awareness of the importance of insects in the diets of migratory birds.
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- Policy changes and implementation of measures to protect migratory bird habitats.
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Section 4. EXPENDITURE REPORT (Compulsory)

Expense items	USD
Venue Rent for Training Program	200 USD
Food for Participants	300 USD
Transportation	200 USD
Migratory bird photographs Print for festival	100 USD
Banners, festoons, Cap and Posters for Migratory Birds Awareness Rally	150 USD
Billboard for Awareness	50 USD
Total	1000 USD

*Please keep the receipt in case auditing is needed.

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

Name of Photo/Video	World Migratory Bird Day
Photo	
Credit Info	Meherpur Foundation
Link	https://www.dailymessenger.net/bangla/country/news/55843

Note:

- Email us the electronic file (JPEG or PDF) of your language version of the WMBD poster for publication on the EAAFP website.
- Post the printed poster to the EAAFP Secretariat if you can and have one available.
- Take plenty of photos of events or activities featuring the WMBD poster and send us these photos in .jpg or .png format; and videos if you have any.
- The logos of WMBD and EAAFP must be displayed on all your printed and digital promotional materials.