

Project Title:
Sustainable Management of Shallow Marine Habitats in Comoros through Improved Management Planning and Rehabilitation of Degraded Sites.

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Why the Project

- **Objective:**

The overall objective of this project is **To strengthen the management of critical shallow marine habitats in the Comoros.**

Be achieved using three main approaches, which will involve:

1. The preparation of site management plans for four formally designated MPA sites,
2. The rehabilitation of degraded mangrove and seagrass habitats and,
3. The engagement of the local communities in environmental conservation.

- **Where:**



Key Activities

1. Management Plans (PAG/2020-2025) for 4 formally designated MPA sites,
2. The rehabilitation of degraded mangrove and seagrass habitats,



3. The engagement of the local communities in environmental conservation.



Key Achievements

- Outcome 1: Strengthened management of four Marine Protected Areas in the Comoros through improved management planning.
- Outcome 2: Enhanced ecosystem integrity of mangrove and seagrass area resulting from restoration activities.
- Outcome 3: Improved efficiency and collaboration in environment conservation project implementation among key organisations and local communities operating in the coastal areas of Comoros.
- Five (5) MPA management plans and spatial zoning designs,
- Public display and review of conservation management plans and zoning designs.
- Organization of stakeholders Engagment and Contibution in MPA Ecosystem Restoration Activies
- MPA Staffs and Key Local Communities trained in habitat rehabilitation.
- Rehabilitation of two mangrove site/Shisiwani National Park
- Rehabilitation of one seagrass site.
- Monitoring of mangrove growth and survival.
- Development of a communication strategy.
- Development of knowledge products,



Key Lessons Learnt

Nuimoros of challenges, because /COVID pandemic which it was necessary to organize the achievements in accordance with the new regulations and measures adopted by the countries in order to be able to face this global pandemic. The major challenges have been:

Stakeholders Mobilization to participate in the implementation of project activities.

Recommendations :

The organization of project activities which require community members participation must planned in small groups of 15 to 20 people, which means multiplying the organization of activities to be able to involve the majority of community members.

To get an effective implementation of project activities, the involvement of local partners in Shisiwani National Park must be a priority because it is the front-line partners who ensure the smooth running of ecosystem restoration activities.





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