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Name of Local Implementing Agency/NGO	BirdLife Middle East
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1. Executive Summary

The Project team has continued to work with local stakeholders and the inaugural workshop was successfully held in January 2008. This event brought the project to the attention of all sectors and stakeholders in Aden which resulted in improved collaboration with relevant sectors e.g. Ministry of Education and raised awareness within government and the general public.

The conservation education training course (activity 2.1) for the teachers and students in Aden schools was implemented between January and April 2008. A number of public awareness activities were carried out, including working with a local Site Support Group (SSG) consisting of young people who devote their effort to voluntary work on the site in collaboration with AMIDEAST in Aden. The group received conservation education awareness outreach through lecturing and field training in order to raise their awareness of and built their interest in the conservation of Aden Wetlands, threats to and species depend on them. The financial and technical support of this additional activity was mobilized through BirdLife Middle East Secretariat and funded by Jensen Foundation Programme within the BirdLife Global Secretariat (£10,116).

In addition, an activity day in March 2008, cleared one-ton of rubbish and solid waste around Aden Lagoons, on the crossway Kormaksar - Al-Mansoura. This was carried out by WOW Aden team, Aden AMIDEAST students and some of steering and stakeholders committees' members. More than 200 participants took part in the event which raised their awareness as well as clearing the rubbish.

Twenty NGOs in Aden Governorate attended a two-day workshop in March 2008 titled: "The importance and value of Aden Wetlands and water birds" held at the Environmental Protection Authority/Aden branch. The program of the workshop composed of Lectures on the first day to upgrade the participants of the value of the wetlands and threats to them. The second day comprised a field visit to the project site where participants were taught bird identification, as well as understanding the threats to the wetlands.

The Project Steering Committee met in February 2008 where members were made aware of the project components and objectives. The stakeholders' Meeting was held on 16 February 2008 in EPA / Aden branch.

1.1 Key project achievements during the reporting period

Fill-in this table with what you consider to be the most important 5 project achievements in the reporting period.

#	Key Project Achievements
1	An inaugural workshop was successfully held in January 2008. This event

brought the project to the attention of all sectors and stakeholders in Aden which resulted in improved collaboration with relevant sectors e.g. Ministry of Education and raised awareness within government and the general public.

Project inauguration: The inauguration of the project was carried out in an open day on the site on January 17, 2008 in which the importance of the site was fully demonstrated, at Aden Lagoons. The inauguration attended by the Minister of Water and Environment, Aden Governor, many officials, school students and people from different sectors of communities in Aden Governorate.

- 2 Training course for teachers and students: The first training course for teachers and students in 20 schools in Aden Governorate during the period 20 January – 4 April 2008. The training course consists three stages. The first stage was to train twenty teachers, representing twenty schools, for five days. Theoretical part in the EPA, and the practical part in the Aden wetlands. The second stage, the teachers have prepared a training programme for twenty students clubs " Biodiversity in Aden wetlands", under the supervision of the project officer of environmental education and awareness, during the period 23/ 2 – 6/ 3 / 2008. The third stage was started for implementing field visits for school students, to Aden wetland for practical lessons in the early morning, then theoretical lessons in EPA. The total number of students involved were 400 in addition to many teachers other than those were trained to deliver systematic conservation education tutorials.
- 3 Steering & Stakeholders Committees meetings: Steering committee of the project was held on 13 February 2008, and the stakeholders committee was held on 16 February 2008 in EPA / Aden branch. During these two meetings members were received an illustrated talks highlighting project objectives, activities, challenges and role of both committees.
- 4 Public support through establishing Site supporting groups (SSG): The first SSG was established in collaboration of AMIDEAST and contains young people living in Aden. A meeting for the SSG on the evening of February 13, 2008, to strengthen and to convey the concept of adopting and conserving wetlands. The second activity was cleaning Aden Lagoons, on the crossway Kormaksar-Al-Mansorah, implemented on 20 March 2008, and was carried out by WOW Aden team, Aden AMIDEAST students and some of stakeholder's committee members. More than 200 participants took part in the event.
- 5 The project organized workshop for two days 13-14 March 2008, on "The importance and value of Aden Wetlands and birds" for twenty NGO's in Aden Governorate, where held at the Environmental Protection Authority / Aden branch. The program of the workshop composed of lectures on the first day, and field visit to the second day for bird watching on the second day.

1.2 Key issues & proposed solutions

Please identify up to a maximum of 10 important project issues, i.e. those issues that you feel require the focused attention of the WOW Project Coordination Unit and/or UNOPS. These issues should be selected and extracted from sections 2 & 3 of this report. **Therefore you may want to first complete sections 2 & 3 of the report, and then cut-and paste up to 10 most important issues into this section of the Executive Summary.**

#	Issue	Proposed Solution	Deadline	Party Responsible
1	Identifying a suitable consultant to review the management plan	Seek advice from partners and BirdLife Middle East Division, WOW etc.	August 2008	YSPW, BirdLife Middle East Division
		Collect management plans from the region	July 2008	
2	External issues (e.g. difficult access to some of the project site for political/social/environmental reasons, etc.): Project team has encounter difficulties during carrying out bird counting activities, within the protected areas at the site, due to various social and security reasons being some of the location near the military station and Aden Air port.	Raising educational and awareness levels to various stakeholders and communities surrounding the protected areas and ensure that Army and police are presented in the committee	June 2008	Project Manager
3	Although EPA has endorsed the project and hosting the project team, they request more physical interventions on sites (other protected areas) that are originally beyond the project scope of work. This highlights a slight issue of sub-optimal collaboration at present with EPA and other stakeholders at national and local level (also see below)	Enhance Coordination with EPA, steering committees and stakeholders to envisage common understanding about possible intervention by the project that is not detrimental to other activities and will not impact the project financially	July 2008	Project manager, YSPW
		Assess current management team performance and ability to undertake project activities	June 2006	BLI
		Enhance coordination with EPA headquarter in Sana'a through appointing (or allocating a liaison officer for the project in Sana'a to liase with EPA, UNDP, RAMSAR Focal Point, AEWa Focal Point and World Bank and possibly undertake marketing and promotion for the implementation of the management plan	August 2008	YSPW

4	Management plan issue, capacity to review. Lack of updated studies to be included in the management plan	Approach people from WI, BLI, RSPB	Se 2008 September	
5	Governmental bureaucracy	As above in point 3		
6	Communication issue internally	As above in point 3		
7	A new phase of the UNDP project could create activities overlapping with our project and hence jeopardizing the competitive advantage of the Demo project	Encourage mutual exchange of information and plans to avoid overlapping and participate in UNDP stakeholders meeting planned in Aden to clearly define our project goals and activities and the global benefits it can bring	July 2008	YSPW
	Raised concerns from EPA and UNDP of potential repetition of activities already done by the previous phase of UNDP project and absence of clear communication mechanism	Fostering ideal coordination and communication between the project and EPA in Aden and Sana'a and undertake a mission to Yemen to introduce suitable interventions and allocate suitable human resources in Sana'a to lead coordination at the national level	Aug 2008	BL, YSPW
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2. Project Management

Project management is a critical cross-cutting issue that affects all project components. Please use this section to highlight issues that affect project performance and achievement of expected outcomes, and describe proposed next steps. Please fill-in the following table:

CATEGORY	ISSUES Description of issues affecting project performance during the reporting period	PROPOSED SOLUTIONS Description of decisions / actions to be taken	DEADLINE	PARTY RESPONSIBLE
Recruitment & management of staff and consultants	Local team leadership and ability to coordinate and influence local circumstances	Assess the team capacity and performance and make appropriate recommendations for YSPW for implementation	June 2008	BLI YSPW
			June 2008	BLI, YSPW
	Identifying a suitable consultant to review the management plan	Seek advice from partners and BirdLife Middle East Division, WOW etc. (recruiting volunteers, locally and nationally)	June 2008	YSPW
Finance & administration				
Logistics & operations				
Reporting & communication	Contributing to Birdlife?/ Portal review,			

	contribution to project website			
Coordination with project partners	Good day-to-day working relations but sub-optimal coordination with project partners and decision makers. Steering & stakeholders committees are working well ,but sense of “ownership” could be improved.	Enhance national Ownership and advance national coordination/ See management above		
External issues (e.g. difficult access to the project site for political/social/environmental reasons, etc.)	External issues (e.g. difficult access to some of the project site for political/social/environmental reasons, etc.): Project team has encounter difficulties during carrying out bird counting activities, within the protected areas at the site, due to various social and security reasons being some of the location near the military station and Aden Air port.	Raising educational and awareness levels to various stakeholders and communities surrounding the protected areas and ensure that Army and police are presented in the committee	June 2008	Project manager
Other				

2.2 Project Steering Committee (SC)

Use this section to illustrate whether or not the SC is working effectively to support project implementation. Please fill in the following table:

Date of last SC Meeting	
13 February 2008.	

QUESTION	ANSWER
This Report was reviewed and approved by the Project SC	No, because the next SC meeting will held on June 2008.
The work plan & budget for next six months was reviewed & approved by the Project SC	As above.
The SC is meeting periodically and providing effective direction/inputs?	Yes.

Please provide updated list of SC Members (list the SC Chairperson first):

Name	Title	Email	Phone
1-H.E. Dr.Abdul-Rahman Al-Gofri	Chairperson	Aden governor@yemen.net.ye	02-246913
2- Dr. Omar Al-Saghair	Member, YSPW	omar.alsaghier@undp.org	01-426261/ 777710174
3- Mr.Faisal S. Al-thalabi	Member, EPA, Aden	gallozy@y.net.ye	02-240607
4- Mr.Salih Abdulla Al Sofi	Member,	-	733273208/ 02-247055
5- Dr. Sameer Taleb	Member,	-	02-204152
6-Dr.Mohammad Ghaddaf	Member	Wow.aden@y.net.ye	02-222719

3. Progress / Issues / Proposed Solutions

ACTIVITIES Output/Service (as listed in the approved project document)	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	STATUS % completed to date (and in parenthesis: % in prior progress report)	PROGRESS Description of work undertaken during the reporting period	ISSUES & PROPOSED SOLUTIONS Description of problems encountered; Issues that need to be addressed; Decisions / Actions to be taken	PARTY RESPONSIBLE
Legend: (IP) In progress; (C) Completed; ⬆ increased with respect to prior report; (-) unchanged; ⬇ revised downwards; (NA) Not scheduled for current reporting period.					
Outcome 1 An integrated management plan for the Aden wetlands finalised (including by-laws and regulations) and implementation by the Yemeni government			Already exist MP secured translated to English and ready to undergo revision and approval of Ramsar standard.	Revise the existing management plan and proceeds to strengthen and improve it recommendations.	YSP W, BirdLife Middle East Division
Activity 1.1: Raise awareness on the importance of the site, management plan and planning process amongst local and national stakeholders	2009	⬆ 70%	Training courses and awareness have been conducted in high police agreement		
Activity 1.2: Establish and run a stakeholder coordination committee	On going	(C) 100%	Stakeholders committee does exist with a number of members		

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Legend: (IP) In progress; (C) Completed; ⬆ increased with respect to prior report; (-) unchanged; ⬇ revised downwards; (NA) Not scheduled for current reporting period.					
Activity 1.3: Establish and populate a database for the implementation of the management plan and provide a baseline of information for monitoring and evaluation	On going	⬆ 50%	Bird list was obtained, three bird counting were conducted		
Activity 1.4 Compile a report on wetland management planning with particular focus on the Middle Eastern Region	On going	⬆ 10%	With BirdLife Meddle East assistance.	Lack of full inventory of relevant reports. Search is undergoing.	
Activity 1.5: Finalize the management plan including detailed plans for the restoration of the Aden Marshes					
Activity 1.6 :Secure the support for the management Plan by the government					

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Legend: (IP) In progress; (C) Completed; ⬆ increased with respect to prior report; (-) unchanged; ⬇ revised downwards; (NA) Not scheduled for current reporting period.					
Activity 1.7: Publish and disseminate the management plan					
Outcome 2: . Increased awareness of the importance of wetland and waterbird value and especially the Aden wetlands, in Yemen					
Activity 2.1: Prepare and execute an outreach educational programme for local communities	On going	⬆ 80%	Training course for teachers and students in Aden schools.		
Activity 2.2: Raise awareness on wetland and waterbird conservation nationally using the Aden Lagoons site and management plan as a context	On going	⬆ 70%	Raise awareness among NGOs, and small supporting groups, Stakeholders, and local communities.		

ACTIVITIES Output/Service (as listed in the approved project document)	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	STATUS % completed to date (and in parenthesis: % in prior progress report)	PROGRESS Description of work undertaken during the reporting period	ISSUES & PROPOSED SOLUTIONS Description of problems encountered; Issues that need to be addressed; Decisions / Actions to be taken	PARTY RESPONSIBLE
Legend: (IP) In progress; (C) Completed; ⬆ increased with respect to prior report; (-) unchanged; ⬇ revised downwards; (NA) Not scheduled for current reporting period.					
Outcome 3 The Aden Lagoons are integrated into the national biodiversity action plan and land use planning					
Activity 3.1 Lobbying of government and non-governmental organizations to include the Aden Lagoons site in local and national land use plans		NA	This activity is already underway by UNDP project. WOW will continue from where that ends.	Need handing over from the UNDP project on status in order to continue from that end.	
Activity 3.2: Consultations with the World Bank and Aden City authorities to integrate the Aden Lagoons management plan in the Aden City Master Plan		(-) 50%	Consultations started through UNDP project, and this project is continuing this dialogue	Upon revising the prepared management plan and add recommendations for adoption by the steering committee	
Outcome 4 . Funds for the implementation of the management plan raised.					

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Legend: (IP) In progress; (C) Completed; ⬆ increased with respect to prior report; (-) unchanged; ⬇ revised downwards; (NA) Not scheduled for current reporting period.					
Activity 4.1: Fund raising strategy development for the long-term implementation of the management plan		⬆ 20%	One project concept for developing a local “site support group” among local community members was submitted to BirdLife International.	Project concept was sent to BirdLife MED. GEF- SGP will include Aden PA in their mandate early January.	
Activity 4.2: Elaboration of the financial implications of the management plan’s integration into the World Bank Aden City plan		(-) 0			
Outcome 5: Smooth project execution and evaluation of success					
Activity 5.1: Creation of project team and steering committee					
Activity 5.2 Supervision and financial administration of implementation					
Activity 5.3 Reporting					

4. Funds Disbursement

4.1 Disbursement of GEF Funds

Report on the status of GEF Funds managed under this Agreement with UNOPS.

Total Budget approved for the provision of technical services:	\$ 253.243
Funds advanced by UNOPS to date:	\$ 103,290
Opening balance this reporting period:	\$ 5,000.86
Total expenditure this reporting period:	\$ 49,337.94
Funds requested (as per disbursement schedule):	\$ 38,988
Balance (if applicable):	\$ 7,965.92
Date of the next request for funds:	1/7/2008

Certified by (Project Manager): Ibrahim Al Khader (BirdLife International Middle East Division), Omar Al-Saghier (YSPW)

General Category of Expenditure	Total budget	Total expenditure to date	Total budget balance	Opening balance this reporting period	Last payment received	Expenditure in reporting period	Balance at end of reporting period
Personnel	100.100	35,555.84	64,544.16	3,777.16	16,683	22,650.00	(2,189.84)
Equipment	26.520	30,396.75	-3,876.75	(12,946)	11,520	2450.75	(3,876.75)
Subcontracts	30.818	700.00	30,118.00	5,000	5,818	700	10,118.00
Workshops and training	27.000	5,288.50	21,711.50	3,922.43	7,000	5,210.93	5,711.50
Travel	18.977	8,108.58	10,868.42	-783.95	3,977	4,324.63	(1,131.58)
Executing agency support overheads	34.052	13,449.46	20,602.54	4,474.54	5,675	12,249	(2,099.46)
Monitoring, evaluation, auditing	6.000	0.00	6,000.00	0	0	0	0.00
Miscellaneous	2.400	1,824.95	575.05	1,556.68	1,629	1,752.63	1,433.05
<i>Education programme/community meetings (2500)</i>		0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
<i>Co-ordination committee meetings (1500)</i>		0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0.00
Contingency (3%)	7.376	0.00	7,376.00	0	0	0	0.00
Total	253.243	95,324.08	157,918.92	5,000.86	52,303	49,337.94	7,965.92

4.2 Status of co-financing

Please report on the status of funds received by other donors and partners as co-financing for this project using the following table.

Sources of co-financing	Total funds committed (cash)	Total in-kind contribution	Total co-financing (cash + in-kind)	Total received to date	Balance
Yemen Wildlife Society	0	25,000	25,00	10,000	15,000
Environmental Protection Authority	0	60,000	60,000	20,500	39,500
totals				30.500	54,500
List any additional sources of co-financing mobilized during project implementation					
totals					

5. Performance Evaluation

5.1 Logical framework

When preparing the first progress report, please review the logical framework table below, and fill in the description of “Baseline situation”. In subsequent reports you may just update the column: “status as of..”. The Baseline situation should be described making reference to the indicators selected during project design.

Intervention	Indicator of performance	Means of verification	Baseline June 2006	Status as of May2008	Risks & assumptions
Development Objective: Conservation and sustainable use of the Aden Wetlands critical site for migratory waterbirds					
Immediate Objective: Approaches to resource use and planning in Aden wetlands and surrounding areas are revised and made more sustainable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policies and practices of sectoral agencies and stakeholders reflect recognition of the need to conserve the biodiversity values of the Aden wetlands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of key priorities set out in management plan Work-plans and policies of ministries and government departments in Aden Working practices and guidelines of stakeholder organizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UNDP project site management plan written WB Aden City Management Plan written 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elements of the original management plan are being implemented. The project team is reviewing the management plan to improve it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conflicts between different ministries, and between conservation and development, can be resolved Stakeholders are in agreement with the aims and objectives of the management plan and are sufficiently responsive to amend their working practices.
Outcomes					
1. An integrated management plan for the Aden wetlands finalised (including by-laws and regulations) and under implementation by the Yemeni government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The management plan is finalised, printed and distributed in 250 copies Stipulations in the management plan are 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal adoption and initial steps for implementation of the management plan Work-plans and policies of ministries and government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The consultation process has been initiated A cabinet decree has been issued declaring five 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Management plan is adopted by all (or vast majority of) stake- holders The MP wins the necessary support from within government for this lengthy process to be completed

Intervention	Indicator of performance	Means of verification	Baseline June 2006	Status as of May2008	Risks & assumptions
	<p>being reflected in the practices of relevant stakeholders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Government decree is issued and implementation started for protecting Aden Wetlands, by end of Year 2. 	<p>departments in Aden municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The official Gazetteer of the Government of Yemen (or equivalent for local government bye-laws) 		<p>protected areas in Aden wetlands</p>	<p>during the lifetime of the project</p>
<p>2. Increased awareness of the importance of wetland and waterbird value and especially the Aden wetlands, in Yemen.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By the end of the project at least 50% of government employees at Aden are able to give at least three reasons why the Aden wetlands are important • By the end of the project at least 30% of general public are able to give at least 2 reasons why it is important to conserve the Aden wetlands and their biodiversity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveys of random samples 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low levels of awareness which was shown qualitatively through interviewing and meeting local communities and other staff. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualitative raised awareness in 20 schools and 20 NGOs in Aden where school clubs for biodiversity interests were established. • More students being involved in school activities considering environmental issues like cleaning up, environmental plays and posters showing threats to wetlands. • Local NGOs starting to think 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suitable materials (photographs) and skills (specialist wildlife TV photographer) are available

Intervention	Indicator of performance	Means of verification	Baseline June 2006	Status as of May2008	Risks & assumptions
				<p>seriously about wetlands as example Al-Hiswah NGO which has expanded its team to manage the site in a competitive way.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A questionnaire will be prepared and circulated and analyzed during September/October. This will enable better quantitative assessment 	
3. The Aden Lagoons are integrated into the national biodiversity action plan.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Aden Wetlands are mentioned specifically in the NBAP • The wetland management plan is integrated into other land use/development plans for Aden 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NBAP (document) • Management Plan for Aden (document) 	<p>Low level of implementation Low level of awareness Other main sites of conservation value in the area not addressed</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No further progress 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Bank funding of MP for Aden goes ahead
4. Funds for the implementation of the management plan raised by the end of the demonstration project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letters of commitment from donors, or signed contracts/funding agreements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copies of contracts/letters 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No funds yet committed to implementation • UNDP project initiated the process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review process to be launched • Develop communication and fundraising strategy (NFP) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donors are supportive of measures to conserve wetlands and biodiversity at Aden, and the political climate in Yemen continues to be favourable for

Intervention	Indicator of performance	Means of verification	Baseline June 2006	Status as of May2008	Risks & assumptions
					international donor funding
5. Smooth project execution and evaluation of success.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of reference for all staff and the Project Advisory Committee completed within 3 months of the project starting • Project staff in position by 3 months into the project. • Regular periodic reports submitted to the Overall project coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of reference document • Staff contracts • Progress and financial reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TORs, contracts, reporting procedures agreed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff recruited, TORs agreed and reporting process is executed and completed in time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suitable staff is recruited

5.2 Protected Areas Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool

QUESTION	ANSWER
Was the PAMETT performed for the Lake Burdur protected area?	Yes
Date of first PAMETT:	2007
PAMETT performed by:	Ali Adimi and Faisal Al-Thalabi

5.3 Project Impact

QUESTION	ANSWER
STAKEHOLDERS	
# of NGO staff involved in this project	6 (3 in Aden, 1 in Sana'a; 2 in BirdLife Middle East Division)
# of Government Staff involved in this project	10 (at EPA Aden)
# of Volunteers involved in this project	1 (Mr. Volker Bluml, from Germany came for the period 9 – 25 February 2008)
# of Government staff involved in Flyways issues (AEWA in particular)	3
TARGET BENEFICIARIES	
# of beneficiaries involved in this project	Twenty schools, twenty NGOs, one Small supporting group
# of people involved in project workshops	Twenty teachers, 400 students, and twenty NGOs
# of people trained under this project	20 teachers
COMMUNICATION ISSUES	
# of press articles featuring the project and/or related issues	3
# of TV/radio programmes featuring the project and/or related issues	1 TV.
# of publications produced under this project	2
Estimated # of people reached by project communication efforts	8000

6. Key Lessons Learned

Please report on any lessons learned during project preparation and implementation. Please focus on issues that may (a) help in the design of future projects, and/or (b) help in improving performance of the WOW project, and (c) contribute to best practice in wetlands management and conservation of migratory waterbirds.

7. Workplan for the Next Semi-annual Period

7.1 Updated overall project workplan

Please update the overall project workplan, to reflect the actual start date and status of project activities.

ACTIVITY	YEAR 1		YEAR 2		YEAR 3		YEAR 4
	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S7
1.1 Raise awareness of management plan	-	-	-	-			
1.2 Establish and run coordination committee		-	-	-			
1.3 Establish and populate database			-	-			
1.4 Compile report on wetland management planning			-				
1.5 Finalize and start implementation of management plan			-				
1.6 Secure support for the management plan by gov't			-	-			
1.7 Publish and disseminate the management plan			-				
2.1 Prepare and execute an outreach programme		-	-	-			
2.2 Raise awareness nationally	-	-	-	-			
3.1 Lobbying of government	-	-	-	-			
3.2 Consultations to integrate in Master Plan			-	-			
4.1 Fund raising strategy development			-				
4.2 Elaboration financial implications of WB plan				-			
5.1 Creation of project team and steering committee	-	-					
5.2 Supervision and financial administration of implementation	-	-	-	-			
5.3 Reporting	-	-	-	-			

7.2 Workplan for next six months

Please provide a detailed workplan for the coming six months period. You may add rows under each planned activity, do reflect any sub-activity that may be envisaged.

PLANNED ACTIVITY	Period June – November 2008					
	M1	M2	M3	M4	M5	M6
1.1 Raise awareness of management plan	XX	Xx	XX	XX	XX	XX
1.2 Establish and run coordination committee	XX	Xx	XX	XX	XX	XX
1.3 Establish and populate database	XX	Xx	XX			
1.4 Compile report on wetland management planning	XX	Xx	XX	XX	XX	
1.5 Finalize and start implementation of management plan				Xx	XX	XX
1.6 Secure support for the management plan by gov't			Xx	XX	XX	XX
1.7 Publish and disseminate the management plan						
2.1 Prepare and execute an outreach programme	XX	Xx	XX	XX	XX	XX
2.2 Raise awareness nationally	XX	Xx	XX	XX	XX	XX
3.1 Lobbying of government	XX	XX	XX	XX	Xx	XX
3.2 Consultations to integrate in Master Plan				Xx	XX	XX
4.1 Fund raising strategy development						
4.2 Elaboration financial implications of WB plan						XX
5.1 Creation of project team and steering committee						
5.2 Supervision and financial administration of implementation	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX
5.3 Reporting						XX

ANNEXES

In each report, please include the following information in the annexes:

- ✓ List of workshops (title, date, location, # of participants) held in the period covered by this report
- ✓ List of technical reports produced in the period covered by this report
- ✓ List of media communication (TV/radio/press) released in the period covered by this report
- ✓ List of publications produced in the period covered by this report
- ✓ Updated inventory of equipment purchased with project funds (please use the table provided – double-click on the file icon below, insert items, and then “save” the file)



inventory

Please send by email to the PCU:

- ✓ 1 photograph of the project team as a group, and passport size photo of project manager (if not already submitted)
- ✓ Photographs representing main aspects of project work, and illustrating project impact (i.e. of workshops, field research, education and awareness, ecotourism, volunteer groups. Please take pictures illustrating the impact of the project, i.e. of the situation “before”, “during” and “after” the project)
- ✓ general photographs illustrating the environment of the site
- ✓ Soft copy of technical reports produced by project
- ✓ Soft copy of workshop reports

Please keep records of (for later review/consultation by the PCU)

- ✓ Financial records (invoices, receipts) of all expenditure incurred with project funds
- ✓ Hard copy of press articles and publications produced by the project
- ✓ Copy of TV/radio programs

Annex 1: Inventory of Outputs/Services

a) Meetings

No	Meeting Type ⁴	Title	Venue	Dates	Convened by	Organized by	# of Particip.	Report issued as doc no	Language	Dated
1	Governorate Office/ Aden	Introducing the project	Governorate Office/ Aden	5/1/2008	Project Manager	Project Manager	4	Establishing S.C.and Stakeholders C.	Arabic	No report
2.	Governorate Office/ Aden	Invitation to Steering Committee Meeting	Governorate Office/ Aden	8/1/2008	Project Manager	Project Manager	3	Invitation to Steering Committee Meeting	Arabic	No report
3	Minis. of Education office/ Aden	Training Course for Teachers and Students	Minis. of Education office/ Aden	6/1/2008	Project Manager	Project Manager	4	Arrangement for Training Course	Arabic	No report
4	Minis. Planning Office/ Aden	Invitation to S.C. meeting	Minis. Planning Office/ Aden							
5	EPA Aden	S.C.Meeting	EPA Aden	13/2/2008	Project Manager	Project Manager	6	S.C.Meeting	Arabic	No report

⁴ Meeting types (Inter-governmental Meeting, Expert Group Meeting, Training Workshop/Seminar, Other)

b) Printed Materials

No	Type ⁵	Title	Author(s)/Editor(s)	Publisher	Symbol	Publication Date	Distribution List Attached Yes/No
1	To Inter-governmental meeting	Steering committee meeting	Project manager	YSPW WOW-Aden Project		20 / 2 / 2008	No
2	To Inter-governmental meeting	Stakeholders meeting	Project manager	YSPW WOW-Aden Project		23 / 2 / 2008	No
3	Technical publication	Summary of the project document	Project manager	YSPW WOW-Aden Project		2 / 1 / 2008	No
4	Technical publication	Biodiversity in Aden Wetlands	Project team	YSPW WOW-Aden Project		13 / 1 / 2008	No
5	Technical report	Training course for teachers and students in Aden school/Aden	Project team	YSPW WOW-Aden Project		25 / 5 / 2008	No

⁵ Material types (Report to Inter-governmental Meeting, Technical Publication, Technical Report, Other)

c) Media coverage

No	Description	Date
1.	Inauguration of the WOW Aden project	17 January 08
2.	Training course for teachers and students in Aden schools/ Aden.	20 January 08
3	Steering committee meeting	13 January 08
4	Stakeholders meeting	16 January 08
5	Workshop for NGOs	13-14 May 08

d) Technical Cooperation with relevant parallel initiatives

No	Type ⁶	Purpose	Venue	Duration	Additional information for Grants and Fellowships ONLY		
					Beneficiaries	Countries/Nationalities	Cost (in US\$)
1.							
2.							

e) Other Outputs/Services (e.g. Networking, Query-response, Participation in meetings etc.)

No	Description	Date
1	Team Leader Dr. Mohammed Ghaddaf, Participated in the meeting on Wetlands management training Held In Al-Azraq wetlands reserve in Jordan organized by the RSCN followed by visit to bird\Life International Middle East Division for consultation and get to know.	3 - 6 / 12 / 2007
2	Team member , Safwan Al-Saghier Participated in IBA & IWC monitoring training, held in AlAzraq wetlands reserve in Jordan and attended BirdLife Middle East partnership meeting	15 -18 / 3 / 2008
3	Mohammad Ghaddaf, project manager attended WOW broader team meeting held in Holand	28 / 1-1 / 2/ 2008
4	Omar Al-Saghier Secretary General (YSPW) attended WOW broad meeting held in Holand	28 / 1-1 / 2/ 2008

⁶ Technical Cooperation Type (Grants and Fellowships, Advisory Services, Staff Mission, Others)

