

Sundarbans Forest Co-Management — Village Conservation Forums & Community Patrol Groups (Bangladesh)

PES & Nature-Based Solutions · Good practice · Bangladesh

Quality score: 27/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Since 2008, Bangladesh's Sundarbans mangrove forest has run a four-tier co-management system with 828 recruited patrol members, under the Forest Department, USAID's IPAC/CREL and GIZ, peer-reviewed in 2024 with documented gains and limitations.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	0/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-07

[Bangladesh Forest Department / IPAC-CREL \(USAID\) / GIZ](#) — accessed 2026-09-07

[IPAC First Annual Progress Report \(Bangladesh Forest Department\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-07

[GIZ: Promotion of the Management of Sunderbans Mangrove Forest in Bangladesh](#) — accessed 2026-09-07

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