



## **World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Small Grant 2023 Report**

**WMBD Small Grant 2023 for East Asian - Australasian Flyway**  
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## ANNEX 1

### Standard format for the World Migratory Bird Day

### Final Report Template

#### Section 1. EVENT INFORMATION (Compulsory)

##### 1.1 Contact Information - Provide your contact information for this report

Full Name	<b>Kamrun Nahar Jeny</b>
Name of the organisation	Nature Eye
Name(s) of the division and/or position	Co-founder and Program Coordinator
Type of the organisation - Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other	Local Wildlife Conservation Club
Email	[REDACTED]
Postal address	[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Office phone numbers	[REDACTED]
(Your) Cell number (optional)	
Fax (optional)	
Website (optional)	
Additional contact person (optional)	
Date of submission	26-05-2023

##### 1.2 Event title:

**Celebrating World Migratory Bird Day by strengthening public awareness through dissemination of awareness materials and bird watching program in Tanguar Haor—an EAAFP Flyway Network Site and a Ramsar Site in Bangladesh**

##### 1.3 Event Location - Where did your event take place?

Name of country	Bangladesh
Name of city	Tahirpur, Sunamganj
Name of event place/venue	Joypur Government Primary High School, Tanguar Haor

## 1.4 Event Type - Check the relevant categories of your event type

Public awareness activity – local and/or national	✓
Field Trip (Birdwatching)	✓
Monitoring/survey	
Educational activity/lecture	✓
Festival	✓
Media event (e.g. press release)	
Movie/video	✓
Others – specify	

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

<b>Event Organiser-</b> Nature Eye
<b>Sponsor</b> - East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP)

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

Target Audience types	Number participated
School students, teachers or parents	365
University students	2
Researchers, scientist	
birdwatchers	
Site managers for flyway site and wetlands	
Decision or policy makers	
Media	
Local community people	10
<b>Total number of Participants</b>	<b>377</b>

## 1.7 Outcome - What is the outcome from your event?

Participants are learned about the importance of conserving migratory birds and their habitats and their ecological importance, and laws and regulations governing migratory bird protection. School going students and local child developed their skills on identifying migratory birds. In addition, schoolchildren and teachers, and local community people were now aware of this year's WMBD theme, specifically the importance of wetland on migratory birds and ways to conserve and protects of wetlands. Participants are more aware of Tanguar Haor, which is an EAAFP Flyway Network Site, and the role of this important site used by migratory birds using EAAF.
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## 1.8 Any additional comment? (Optional)

Nature Eye is grateful to the EAAFP for supporting the celebration of World Migratory Bird Day-2023 at Tanguar Haor in Bangladesh.
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**Section 2. EVENT PROGRAMME (Compulsory)**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Objective</b>
8:00	Registration
8:15	“Migratory birds of Tanguar Haor in Bangladesh” – screening a documentary video
8:30	Welcome and introductions
8:40	Guest speeches
8:50	Celebrating World Migratory Bird Day overview: objectives and activities
09:00	Current scenario of migratory bird at Tanguar Haor in Bangladesh, with a focus on the EAAFP site
09:25	Identifying migratory bird by bird watching
11:25	Discussing the water and its importance for migratory birds
11:40	Discussing the importance of conserving migratory birds and their habitats
11:00	Distribute a one-pager information about the importance of conserving migratory birds and their habitats and the print poster with the theme of WMBD 2023 produced by EAAFP
12:15	Art competition on conserving migratory birds and their habitats among school going students
13:00	Awarding the prize of the winners of Art competition
13:15	Words of thanks, Group Photo
13:30	Refreshments, End of celebrating World Migratory Bird Day-2023

### Section 3. SHORT SUMMARY REPORT (Compulsory)

**Nature Eye** organized World Migratory Bird Day 2023 event at Joypur Government Primary High School, Tanguar Haor in Bangladesh on 13 May 2023, with financial support from the **East Asian-Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP)**. A total of 360 students of different classes, 10 local community people, five teachers, and two university students were joined the events.

**Kamrun Nahar Jeny**, on behalf of Nature Eye, welcomed all guests and participants. She provided a brief overview of celebrating WMBD. Event was inaugurated with brief welcoming words from Headmaster of Joypur Government Primary High School Md. Aslam Uddin. The headmaster thanked the participating students, teachers, and community members for their participation, and commended Nature Eye for organizing the WMBD celebration with the support of the EAAFP. At the end of this session, participants were shown documentary video titled "Migratory Birds of Tanguar Haor, Bangladesh".

After that, Kamrun Nahar Jeny explained what migratory birds are and why they migrate from breeding sites to non-breeding grounds. The participants were given baseline information on the status of migratory birds and their population at Tanguar Haor, emphasizing the importance of Tanguar Haor as an EAAFP Flyway Network Site and an important habitat for globally threatened migratory birds such as Baer's Pochard, Baikal Teal, Pallas's Fish Eagle, and near threatened Falcated Duck and Black-tailed Godwit.

After that session, bird watching activity at Tanguar Haor held from 09:25 to 11:20. School going students and local young people were attended to watching migratory birds. Students learn how to identify migratory birds throughout this lesson. The participants were very enthusiastic in participating in bird watching activity using binoculars.

Following that session, Kamrun Nahar Jeny discussed the significance of water for migratory birds. This lesson informed participants why water is essential to life on Earth. During their life cycles, the great majority of migratory birds rely on water habitats. Wetlands, rivers, lakes, streams, marshes, and ponds are all important for feeding, drinking, and breeding, as well as resting and refuelling on their long journeys. Unfortunately, aquatic environments and the migratory birds that rely on them are becoming increasingly imperilled around the world. Human demand for water, as well as pollution and climate change, are all having a direct impact on the availability of clean water and the conservation status of many migratory birds.

Then, participants learned every year about 60,000-120,000 waterfowl visit Tanguar Haor and most of them are migratory birds, but this number is dropping continuously

which is alarming. This situation is mainly due to a combination of different factors such as habitat degradation, human pressure and illegal hunting, and decreasing numbers of fish species. Moreover, water pollution in Tanguar Haor is another threat to migratory waterbird species which occurs due to coal collection in Tekerhat point. Thousands of boats continuously pollute the water through oil contamination which will ultimately affect the migratory waterbirds population, and their foraging and roosting grounds. This underscores the need to ensure a balance between conservation and productive use of the wetlands.

Following that session, distributed leaflets with information on migratory birds, their flyway, and the importance of conserving migratory birds and their habitats to participants in order to increase their knowledge of migratory birds and their conservation. In addition, distributed the EAAFP-produced print poster with the theme of WMBD 2023. The students then competed in an art competition focused on migratory migrating birds and their habitats.

In final session, the closing of the WMBD commenced with a summary of the outcomes by Kamrun Nahar Jeny, followed by closing words from Headmaster of Joypur Government Primary High School. Then, winners of the Art Competition were rewarded. The Headmaster thanked Nature Eye and EAAFP for the for the successful arrangement of the WMBD events that enriched participants understanding of migratory birds, their habitats and improved the protection of migratory birds and their non-breeding grounds at Tanguar Haor as an EAAFP site for migratory birds.

#### Section 4. EXPENDITURE REPORT (Compulsory)

Expense items	USD
Hiring engine boat for bird watching	90 USD
Printed poster	280 USD
Printed leaflet	320 USD
Purchased drawing paper with color pencil	80 USD
Award for students	60 USD
Venue preparation and Banner	30 USD
Local transportation (Dhaka to Tanguar haor, Round Trip)	130 USD
Snack for participants and guests	120 USD
Government Tax (10%)	100 USD
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,210 USD</b>

\*Please keep the receipt in case auditing is needed.

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

Name of Photo/Video	Please see the photos below with caption
Photo/Video	Please see the photos below
Credit info	Nature Eye/ Kamrun Nahar Jeny
Link	<a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1d7ua5YMdbfYloErNOQqudlw9HgPCPcDz?usp=drive_link">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1d7ua5YMdbfYloErNOQqudlw9HgPCPcDz?usp=drive_link</a>

**Photos of the event**



**Figure 1.** Group photograph with participants from WMBD 2023 at Joypur Government Primary High School, Tanguar Haor, Sunamganj in Bangladesh.



**Figure 2.** Displaying documentary video to the participants titled "Migratory birds of Tanguar Haor".





**Figure 3.** Discussing on current scenario of migratory bird at Tanguar Haor in Bangladesh, with a focus on the EAAFP site.



**Figure 4.** Discussing on water and its importance for migratory birds.



**Figure 4.** Student draws a globally Critically Endangered Spoon-billed Sandpiper during the art competition.



**Figure 5.** Students showing their drawing on migratory birds on the WMBD 2023 event.



**Figure 6.** Students learning information on migratory birds, their flyway, and the importance of conserving migratory birds and their habitats from educational outreach materials leaflet, and poster with the theme of WMBD 2023 produced by EAAFP.



**Figure 7.** School going students of Joypur Government Primary High School and local young people are observing and identifying migratory birds at Tanguar Haor, Sunamganj in Bangladesh.