



## **World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Small Grant 2024 Application Form**

**WMBD Small Grant 2024 for East Asian–Australasian Flyway**

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**Date of Application: 21<sup>st</sup> August 2024**

• **Applicant Contact Information**

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

**1.1 Supporter Information**

	Name of supporter:	
a.	Name of the organisation:	
b.	Supporter's position and division in the organisation	
c.	Type of organisation — Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other — specify):	
d.	Email:	
e.	Postal address:	
f.	Office phone numbers:	
g.	Supporter's mobile number:	
h.	Website of organisation:	
i.	Additional contact person	

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- **Proposed Event Plan and Expected Outcome** (*Please check the relevant categories of your proposed event*)

Public awareness activity —national	√
Birdwatching — field trip	√
Monitoring — field trip	√
Educational activity/lecture	√
Festival	√
Media Event	√
Movie/video	√
Others – Awareness Road Rally	√

### 2.1 Please specify your proposed event plan and expected outcomes

Title of event:	<b>Conservation of Migratory Birds of Chalan Beel Area Through Training and Insects Awareness</b>
Date of event:	01-12 October 2024
Organisers:	Meherpur Foundation
Target participants:	Farmers, Students, Land owners, Forest department officials, Police officials, Birds hunters.
Expected number of participants:	<b>5000</b>
<p>Conservation of migratory birds is a crucial endeavor, considering the various threats they face along their migration routes, including habitat loss, climate change, hunting, and pollution. Training and raising awareness about these issues, particularly focusing on the role of insects in the birds' diets, can be effective strategies for their conservation. Here's how such efforts can be implemented.</p> <p><b>Project Location:</b> Chalan Beel of Sirajgonj, Natore and Pabna District</p> <p><b>Project Objective:</b> "To conserve migratory bird populations by implementing a multifaceted approach focused on training initiatives and raising awareness about the importance of insects in their diets."</p> <p><b>Key Components:</b></p> <p><b>Training Programs:</b> Develop and deliver comprehensive training programs targeting conservationists, researchers, policymakers, and local communities along migratory bird routes. These programs will educate participants about migratory bird ecology, migration patterns, habitat requirements, and conservation strategies.</p> <p><b>Insect Awareness Campaign:</b> Insects play a critical role in the diet of many migratory bird species, especially during their long migratory journeys. Raising awareness about the importance of insects as food for birds can help garner support for insect conservation efforts. This can involve educational campaigns in schools, community outreach programs, and public awareness campaigns through various media channels.</p> <p><b>Stakeholder Engagement:</b> Engage stakeholders at multiple levels, including government agencies, NGOs, local communities, farmers, and landowners, to foster support and participation in migratory bird conservation initiatives. Encourage collaboration and partnership-building to maximize impact and effectiveness.</p>	

**Citizen science initiatives:** Establish citizen science programs to involve the public in monitoring migratory bird populations and their habitats. Provide training and resources for citizen scientists to collect data on bird sightings, insect abundance, and habitat quality, contributing valuable information to conservation efforts.

**Promotion of Bird friendly Practices:** Advocate for the adoption of bird-friendly practices among communities living along migratory bird routes. This includes promoting sustainable agricultural practices that preserve insect populations, reducing pesticide use, and creating and restoring bird habitats.

**Policy Advocacy:** Advocate for the development and implementation of policies and regulations that protect migratory bird habitats and regulate activities that threaten them. Work with policymakers and governmental agencies to strengthen existing conservation measures and establish new ones where needed.

**Education and outreach programs:** Develop and implement educational materials and outreach programs tailored to diverse audiences, including schools, local communities, and key stakeholders. Raise awareness about the ecological significance of migratory birds and the importance of conserving their habitats

By implementing these strategies, we can enhance conservation efforts for migratory birds, ensuring their survival for future generations to enjoy and appreciate.

**Expected Outcomes:**

- 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.

• **Proposed Event Budget Plan**

Please specify budget plan of your proposed event		
Total: <b>1000 USD</b>		
<i>Please note that ideal budget scale is approximately 1,000 USD to each country</i>		
Budget breakdown:		
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		150 USD
Billboard for Awareness		50 USD
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1000 USD</b>

- **Can you support translating the WMBD materials into your language?**

√ Yes No

With the support from EAAFP World Migratory Bird Day Small Grant Fund, you need to:

- Register your event(s) at the following websites as well for regional and global statistics of WMBD participation. It won't take you long to fill in the form as it is a simple process. Registration of your event(s) at Global WMBD website (<http://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/register-your-event>)
- **Logos of WMBD and EAAFP have to be shown on all your printed and digital promotional materials.**
- **Reporting:** After any of your WMBD materials are published and your awareness event is held, it is required to provide an event report (see ANNEX I). The Report should include copies of any materials produced under the project. Published materials should be submitted with the report in both hard and electronic copy with suitable photographs illustrating the activities undertaken.

**Important notes:**

Report deadline:	<b>No later than 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024 or within two weeks after the event(s).</b>
Required information:	Name of organiser(s), target participants, programme, outcome summary and finance supporting documents
Submit to:	EAAFP Secretariat via email (Word or PDF document) at <a href="mailto:wmbd@eaaflyway.net">wmbd@eaaflyway.net</a> and <a href="mailto:communication@eaaflyway.net">communication@eaaflyway.net</a>

# 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:	
Name of the organisation:	
Name(s) of the division and/or position:	
Type of organisation — Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other:	
Email:	
Postal address:	
Office phone numbers:	
(Your) Cell number (optional):	
Fax (optional):	
Website (optional):	

Additional contact person (optional):	
Date of submission:	

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1.2 Event Title

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1.3 Event Location — Where did your event take place?

Name of country:	
Name of city:	
Name of event place/venue:	

1.4 Event Type — Check the relevant categories below.

Public awareness activity — local and/or national:
Field trip (e.g. 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?

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

Target Audience Types	Number Participated
School students, teachers or parents	
University students	
Researchers, scientist	
Birdwatchers	
Site managers for flyway site and wetlands	
Decision or policy makers	
Media	
Others — specify	
<b>Total number of participants</b>	

1.7 Outcome — What is the outcome from your event?

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1.8 Any additional comments? (Optional)

**Section 2. EVENT PROGRAMME (Compulsory)**

Provide your event agenda, programme or discussion paper in details here. If your event was recorded or held online, please share the links.

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

Provide a short article about your WMBD event or activity you arranged to celebrate WMBD. The following information (venue, organiser, number and type of participants, outcome) should be included in your article. **Minimum 400 words**

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

Expense items	USD
e.g. venue	
e.g. transportation	
e.g. birdwatching guide (amount x no. of guides)	



Others — specify	
Funding from other sources	
<b>Total</b>	

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

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

Name of Photo/Video	e.g. photo 1 or video 1
Photo/Video	Please insert a photo here
Credit Info	Please provide credit information for this photo/video
Link	Please provide a link of this photo/video (e.g. FB posting or Flickr link)

**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.