

# World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Small Grant 2023 Application Form

## WMBD Small Grant 2023for East Asian - Australasian Flyway

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#### **About World Migratory Bird Day 2023**

WMBD is an annual awareness-raising campaign highlighting the need for the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats. It has a global outreach and is an effective tool to help raise global awareness of the threats faced by migratory birds, their ecological importance, and the need for international cooperation to conserve them. In 2018, WMBD unified the planet's major migratory bird corridors, or flyways: the African-Eurasian flyway, the East Asian-Australasian flyway, and the Americas flyways. WMBD is now celebrated twice a year, on the Second Saturday in May and in October. In 2023, WMBD will be held on 13 May and 14 October. This year, the theme is "Water: Sustaining Bird Life". The EAAFP Secretariat encourages Partners to celebrate WMBD twice a year.

#### **Introduction of EAAFP WMBD 2023 Small Grant**

The Small Grant for 2023 <u>World Migratory Bird Day</u> (WMBD) has been established to provide financial support to <u>EAAFP Partners</u> and <u>EAAFP Task Forces and Working Groups</u> who plan to organize **public events and/or conservation action-oriented workshops** at national or local levels through participating in the World Migratory Bird Day. We strongly encourage EAAFP Partners and collaborators to make an application for any suitable event or development of WMBD materials in local language that aims to raise awareness on the need of conserving migratory water birds and the value of their habitats in East Asian – Australasian Flyway.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Applicants who plan to organize an event to celebrate World Migratory Bird Day2023 need to base in the EAAFP Partner countries. In addition, EAAFP Partner countries included in the DAC list of ODA Recipients are our priority to support(If you are not sure, please see the <u>list of EAAFP Partners</u>, and <u>DAC list of ODA Recipients</u>). If you are not the country focal point of EAAFP, please consult and plan with EAAFP focal point of your country before you apply.

Please note that this grant is to initiate a WMBD event, you can co-fund the event with other sources, but please indicate in the budget session. Applications with similar contents (location, target participants etc.) to previous years may not be accepted. We also encourage proposals to promote Flyway Network Sites for the WMBD activities.

#### Information of the application

Firstly, Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria set for funding assistance under EAAFP WMBD2023 Small Grants Programme.

For your budget planning, please note a <u>maximum of 1,000 USD will be allocated to each country.</u> We recommend you submit the application as early as possible.

The deadline for application is <u>26<sup>th</sup> March,2023</u>. Please submit an application to Ms. Vivian Fu, Senior Communication Officer via email (Word or PDF document) at <u>communication@eaaflyway.net</u> and <u>wmbd@eaaflyway.net</u>.

After the Secretariat receives your application, the approval of successful proposals is made by the Secretariat. Applicant will hear of the result within two weeks after the deadline. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Successful applicants have a responsibility to help translate the World Migratory Bird Day materials into their own languages which will be shared on the World Migratory Bird Day website (https://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/).

Date of Application: 20 March, 2022

# 1. Applicant Contact information

	Name of applicant:	DR. Jannatul Nyema Nikita
a.	Name of the organization:	Sylhet Agricultural University
b.	Applicant's position and division in the organization	Co-investigator, KDCA Bangladesh Project & Research Assistant at Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Veterinary, Animal, and Biomedical Sciences, Sylhet Agricultural University, Sylhet – 3100.
c.	Type of the organization - Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other – specify):	Sylhet Agricultural University is an autonomous public university in Bangladesh.
d.	Email:	
e.	Postal address:	
f.	Office phone numbers:	
g.	Applicant's Mobile number:	
h.	Website of organization:	N/A
1.	Additional contact person	Dr. Tilak Chandra Nath Associate Professor Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Veterinary, Animal, and Biomedical Sciences, Sylhet Agricultural University,

If there will be more than one organization to arrange the event, please specify all above in table 1.1.

1.1 Supporter information

	Name of supporter:	Afroza Akter Aki
а.	Name of the organization:	Sylhet Agricultural University
b.	Supporter's position and division in the organization	Research Assistant at Department of Crop Botany and Tea Production Technology Faculty of Agriculture, Sylhet Agricultural University, Sylhet – 3100
c.	Type of the organization - Government/NGO/Private Sector/Other – specify):	Sylhet Agricultural University is an autonomous public university in Bangladesh.
d.	Email:	
e.	Postal address:	
f.	Office phone numbers:	
g.	Supporter's Mobile number:	
h.	Website of organization:	N/A
i.	Additional contact person	Prof. Dr. Kazi Mehetazul Islam Chairman Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Veterinary, Animal, and Biomedical Sciences, Sylhet Agricultural University,

# 2. Proposed Event Plan and Expected Outcome (*Please tick the relevant categories of your proposed event*):

Public awareness activity – local and/or national	<b>✓</b>
Bird watching - field trip	/
Monitoring/survey – field trip	
Educational activity/lecture	<b>✓</b>
Festival	
Media Event	/
Movie/video	<b>✓</b>
Question-answer session	✓

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

Title of event:	Public Awareness Raising Campaign against Poaching of Migratory Birds in Bholagonj, Sylhet division, Bangladesh
Date of event:	First week of May 2023 (Tentative)
Organizers:	Department of Parasitology, Sylhet Agricultural University in collaboration with KDCA Youth Club, Parasite Resource Bank (PRB), "Cholo Paltai" Organization and local forest department.
Target participants:	Seasoned hunters, local people and villagers, members of various voluntary organizations residing in the target Haor area. Also university students, advisors, young researchers and activists.
Expected number of participants:	450-500

Yearly, a migration of thousands of birds is seen in various haor-beels and fields-ghats in Sylhet Division, Bangladesh. Bholagonj Upazila is one of the most important rising hot spots for migratory birds in Sylhet District. But it is a matter of sorrow that bird poaching has turned into a massive threat to migratory birds in that region. Along with the seasoned hunters, locals and villagers also take part in these activities. By selling them to the neighbourhood dhabas and restaurants, where the birds are used to prepare a variety of cuisines, they run their business. These dishes are gaining popularity among both residents and visitors day by day. This is because there is a lack of awareness among the population that bird poaching is illegal and harmful for our environment.

**Objectives:** 1. To disseminate information regarding migratory bird poaching and selling is a criminal activity.

2. To raise awareness about that migratory birds are playing a crucial role in our ecosystem and biodiversity which is very much needed for our future generation.

#### **Event plans:**

In our pre-planned day, we will visit the Bholagonj region in Sylhet, Bangladesh, with our event organizing team, volunteers, university students, advisors, young researchers, and local activists. Following our arrival, we will tour the region's haorbeels and fields-ghats. We will try to find out where the most migratory birds are found and where bird poaching occurs frequently, as well as the personnel involved in these activities, with the assistance of locals. Then we will organize a campaign there with the permission and help of the local government.

All residents of the area are welcome to take part in the campaign, but our primary focus will be on seasoned hunters and regional buyers, sellers, and restaurant patrons. Then our keynote speaker and presenters will give their speeches and presentations

about the migratory birds, emphasizing that poaching and selling them is against the law and that violators will face fines and/or jail time. They will also warn audience members not to harm any birds in the future because they are crucial to our environment and ecosystem.

Later, we'll set up a question-and-answer session with the attendees so they may ask any questions they may have on this subject. Afterwards, we will give the attendees our printed posters, brochures, and snacks. We will finish our event with these activities.

#### **Expected outcome:**

- Local residents may gain knowledge about the value of migrating birds to the biodiversity and health of our environment.
- They will become more aware of bird poaching and, if necessary, step out and take legal action against the hunters.
- In addition, they will be aware that selling and hunting birds is unlawful.

#### 3. Proposed Event Budget Plan:

Please specify budget plan of your proposed event
Total: 1000 USD

Please note that ideal budget scale is approximately 1,000 USD to each country

Budget breakdown:

Venue and campaign arrangement and maintenance 100 USD

Transportation cost 200 USD

Leaflets(2000), Posters(2000), Banner(1) and t-shirts(20) 350 USD

Key note speaker and presenter 100 USD

Snacks for the volunteers and students 250 USD

4. Can you support translating the WMBD materials to your language?

✓ Yes □ No

With 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.
- 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:	No later than 27 <sup>th</sup> May2023 or within two weeks after the event(s).		
Required information:	Name of organiser, target participants, programme, outcome summary and finance supporting documents		
Submit to:	to Ms. Vivian Fu, Senior Communication Officer via email (Word or PDF document) at <a href="mailto:communication@eaaflyway.net">communication@eaaflyway.net</a> and <a href="mailto:wmbd@eaaflyway.net">wmbd@eaaflyway.net</a> .		

### **ANNEX 1**

# Standard format for the World Migratory Bird Day **Final Report Template**

# Section 1. EVENT INFORMATION (Compulsory)

Educational activity/lecture

1.1 Contact Information - Provide your contact	t information for this report
Full Name	
Name of the organisation	
Name(s) of the division and/or position	
Type of the 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	
1.3 Event Location - Where did your event tak	e place?
Name of country	
Name of city	
Name of event place/venue	
1.4 Event Type - Check the relevant categories	s of your event type
Public awareness activity – local and/or nati	
Field Trip (e.g. Birdwatching)	
Monitoring/survey	
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Festival	
Media event (e.g. press release)	
Movie/video	
Others – specify	
5 Event Organiser - Who wereorganiser and/or spo	nsor for your event?
6 Target Audience - Who were the participants for	vour event (Compulsory)?
Target Audience types	Number participated
School students, teachers or parents	Tumber participated
University students	
Researchers, scientist	
birdwatchers	
Site managers for flyway site and wetlands	
Decision or policy makers	
Media	
Others- specify	
Total number of Participants	
8 Any additional comment? (Optional)	
ection 2. EVENT PROGRAMME (Compulsory)	
Provide your event agenda, programme or discussion was recorded or held online, please share the links.	on paper in details here. If your even

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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	
Total	

<sup>\*</sup>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 published for EAAFP website;
- Post its printed poster to the EAAFP Secretariat, if you can and have one;
- Take enough photos from events or activities with this WMBD poster and send us lots of photos in jpg or png format; and videos as well if you have one.
- Logos of WMBD and EAAFP have to be shown on all your printed and digital promotional materials.