



## Supporting Community Action for Achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets

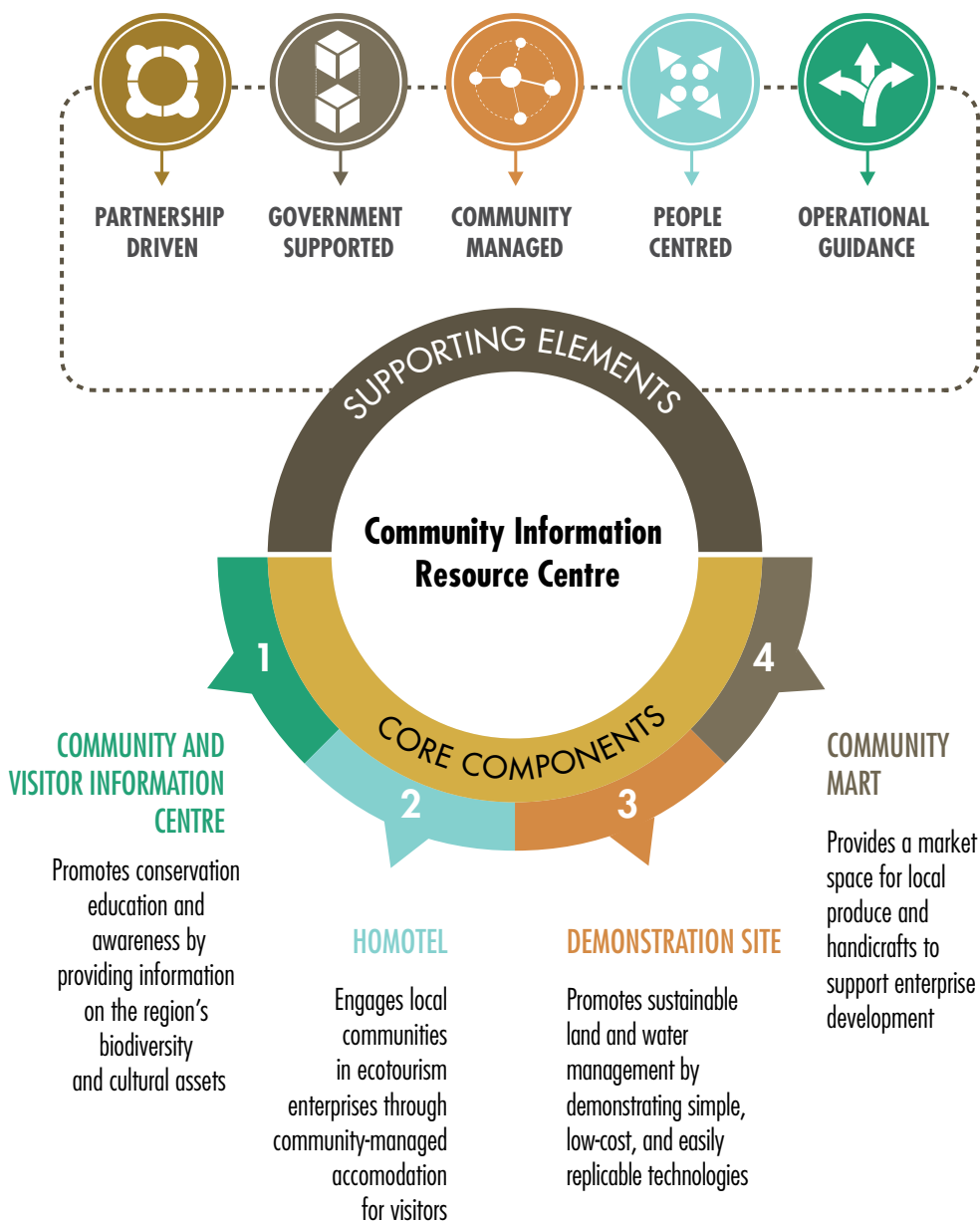


A new Community Information Resource Centre (CIRC) in Myanmar is being developed as a platform to bring a range of stakeholders – the government, communities, and other partners – together to strengthen the link between biodiversity conservation and livelihoods. This participatory platform will raise awareness of the value of natural landscapes and the sustainable practices needed to minimize biodiversity loss and degradation. It will also help communities in remote parts of Myanmar contribute to the nation's commitment to achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets set out by the Convention on Biological Diversity.

The CIRC – located in Putao District in Kachin State – caters to the Hkakabo Razi Landscape, which is rich in biodiversity and a high-priority conservation area.

*A new Community Information and Resource Centre in Myanmar will act as a platform for multi-stakeholder engagement and community participation in achieving the Aichi Biodiversity Targets*

## How does the Community Information Resource Centre work?



The Community  
Information Resource  
Centre (CIRC)  
helps communities  
contribute directly to  
the following Aichi  
Biodiversity Targets



TARGET 1

**Increase awareness of biodiversity and conservation values**

*CIRC is a platform for increasing conservation awareness and generating benefits from conservation-related activities*



TARGET 3

**Develop positive incentives for conservation and sustainable use**

*Additional income from ecotourism and conservation practices will increase interest in the sustainable use of biodiversity resources*



TARGET 5

**Reduce habitat loss and degradation**

*Providing an alternative source of livelihood helps reduce dependence on resources and creates conservation awareness*



TARGET 7

**Manage forests and agriculture sustainably**

*Sharing effective land management techniques supports sustainable management of agriculture and helps farmers optimize production*



TARGET 13

**Safeguard the genetic diversity of cultivated plants and domesticated animals**

*Displaying cultivation techniques for agriculture and maximizing the productivity of local crops would help maintain local identities*



TARGET 14

**Safeguard essential ecosystem services for local communities**

*Building capacity and awareness on sustainable fishing practices supports conservation as well as income generation and diversification*



TARGET 18

**Recognize and respect traditional knowledge and local innovations**

*Demonstration and promotion of local innovations and traditional knowledge that support sustainable resource management*



TARGET 19

**Share knowledge on biodiversity, its values, and its functions**

*Display of conservation-related awareness materials and biodiversity data and geospatial maps of the surrounding landscape*



**DIRECT CONTRIBUTION  
TO AICHI BIODIVERSITY TARGETS:**

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