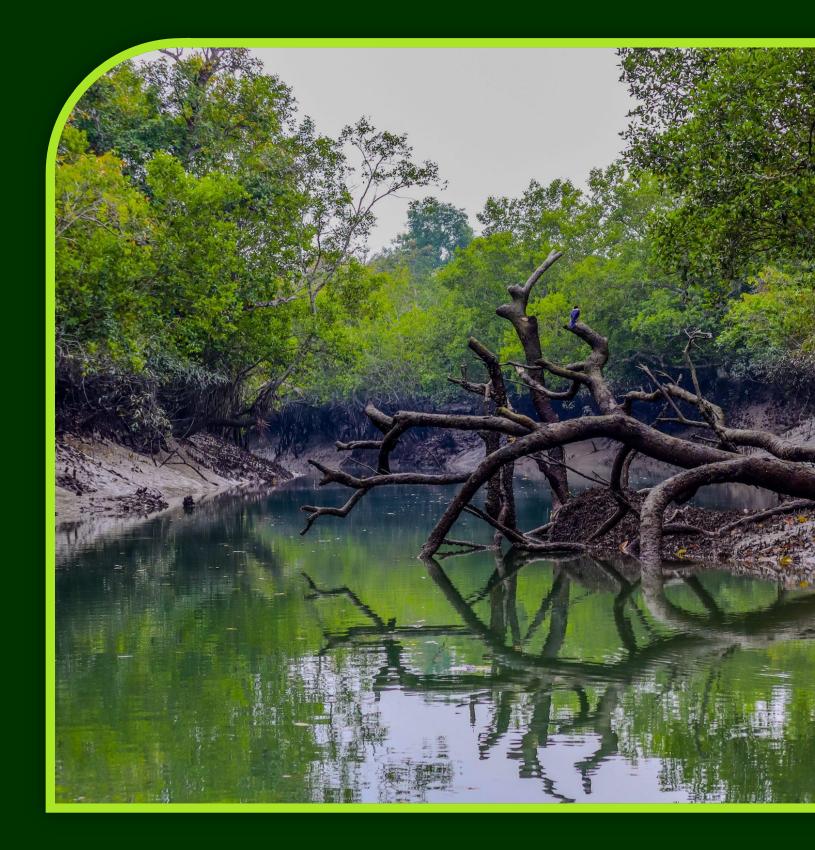
# **Blue Carbon for a Resilient Delta**

# Designing a Mangrove-Based Carbon Credit Project

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# Institute of Water Modelling (IWM)

Water, Environment, Climate & ICT for Green and Climate Resilient Bangladesh



Independent Trust established in 1996 by the GoB



**ISO Certified Institute** 



**Self-sustained** 



Operating under Board of Trustees



500 trained professionals with expertise



Completed hundreds of projects in National & International Level



#### Vision

- World-class institute in land, water, climate, environment & ICT
- Deliver smart solutions to improve quality of life



### **Mission**

- Excellence in research and services on land, water, climate & ICT
- Provide intelligent, technologydriven solutions for planning and management

### Climate Finance Support by IWM

- Climate change impact assessment using advanced models
- Storm surge, sea-level rise, and coastal vulnerability analysis with financial planning
- Flood and drought management studies with financial planning
- Integrated water resources management for climate adaptation
- Technical support for accessing global climate funds
- Project bankability assessments and feasibility studies for climate finance projects
- Develop projects with a strong focus on NbS
- IWM received LOI to develop 4 NbS carbon credit projects

#### **Clients & Partners**



# Nature-Based Climate Solution for Coastal Resilience

# The Climate Crisis in Bangladesh

9th

Most Vulnerable Country

185

Extreme Weather Event (2000-2019)

\$3B

Annual disaster losses (2.2% of GDP lost)

6.3M

People affected annually due to natural disasters

**7M** 

People displaced annually due to natural disasters

**17%** 

Projected land loss from sea level rise by 2050

# The Mangrove Solution (NbS)



## **Natural Shield**

Reduce cyclone wind speed & wave energy by up to 66%



# **Super Carbon Sinks**

Sequester carbon at **3-5x** higher rate than terrestrial forests



Environmental, Social, and Economic returns

# **Project Overview**

Project Area
30,000 ha
Bay of Bengal Char Areas

Project Duration
20 years
2025-44

Investment
USD 38M
Total Required

Total Generated Credit
16.60M tCO<sub>2</sub>
20 years

Internal Rate of Return (IRR)
24%

Average Annual Generated Credit: 0.83M tCO<sub>2</sub>/year Sequestration Rate: 3-4tCO<sub>2</sub>/ha/year (up to 10tCO<sub>2</sub>/ha/year including soil carbon)

NDC Contribution: 6.3M tCO<sub>2</sub> over 20 years









## **Plantation Schedule**



2026-2027	5,000 ha
2027-2028	8,000 ha
2028-2029	10,000 ha
2029-2030	7,000 ha

**Project Implementation Components** 









**Objectives** 

Sequestrate Carbon

**Extinct Species** 

Protect
Biodiversity and
Rehabilitate

Restore Newly Created Land

Reduce Disaster Risks Enhance
Sustainable
Development
Opportunities for
Coastal

**Communities** 

Maintain

Mangrove &

Aquatic

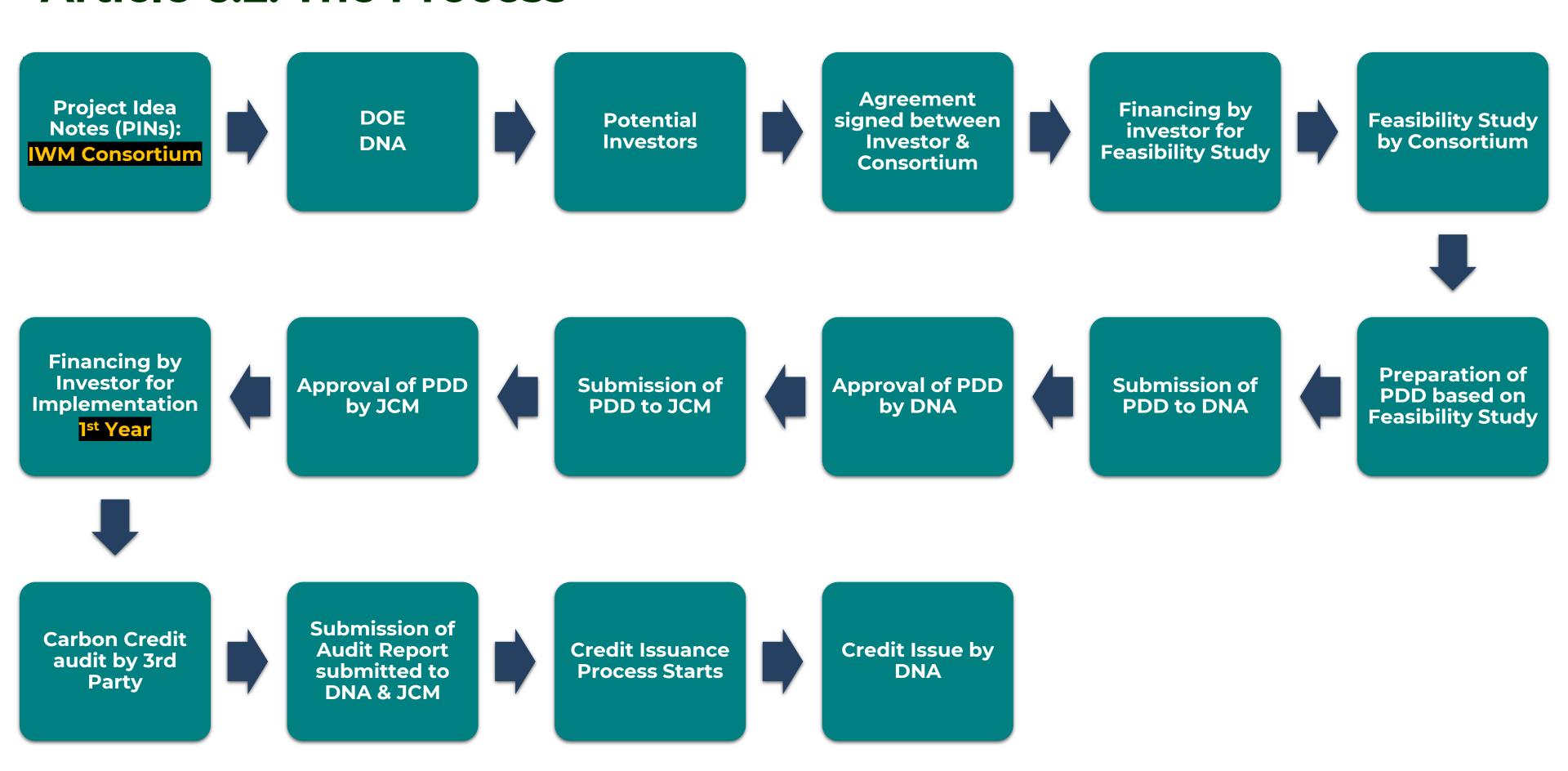
**Ecosystem** 

Reduce Disaster Risks

**Executing Government Agency:** Bangladesh Forest Department, MoEFCC **Lead Project Partner:** Institute of Water Modelling (IWM)

**Joint Project Partners:** Futures Inc. Japan, Global Centre of Excellence in Sustainability (GCS), Recycle Jar Ecosystem Ltd.

# **Article 6.2: The Process**



# Mangrove Restoration & Nature based Solution

## **Community Development**

#### **Training Programs**

- Disaster preparedness & emergency response
- Alternative livelihoods (boatmaking, honey trading)
- Sustainable land & water management

#### **Community Involvement**

- Nursery establishment & planting
- Forest patrolling & maintenance
- Women's active participation

# **Environmental Impact**

**GHG Removals** 

16.60M tCO<sub>2</sub>
Over 20 years

### **Ecosystem Services**

- Soil stabilization & flood prevention
- Microclimate improvement
- Biodiversity restoration
- Wildlife habitat creation

## **Disaster Risk Reduction**

#### **Storm Protection**

50%+

Surge protection for 1M+ people

#### **Natural Barriers**

- Protection against storms & tidal waves
- Coastal erosion prevention
- Flash flood mitigation

# Community Benefits Timeline

#### **Short Term**

Wages from planting & maintaining trees

#### **Medium Term**

Income from fruit trees & forest products



## **Sustainable Practices**

- Community-based marine resource management
- Sustainable fishing to prevent overfishing
- Coral reef & mangrove protection programs
- Market linkage for fair commodity prices



## The Future with Mangroves

- More resilient coastlines to climate change
- Prosperous coastal communities through ecotourism & sustainable economics
- Healthy ecosystems for future generations

## **Long Term**

Profit sharing & carbon credit revenues





