

Erosion protection by fencing and reduction of grazing and trampling pressure, Ehen. (Hanns Kirchmeir)

Community-based approach in Erosion Control (Азербайжан)

Ismayilly district, Ehen community

тодорхойлолт

The unsustainable use of pastures and forest areas leads to erosion, degradation, desertification and loss of biodiversity in high mountain areas of the South Caucasus. In the village Ehen in the Ismayilli district in Azerbaijan, a community-based approach for erosion control was developed in a participative way. Together with village stakeholders, different measures were developed to stop erosive processes, flooding and to rehabilitate vegetation cover.

The Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Azerbaijan togehter witht the Deutsche Gesellschaft fuer Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) selected integrated erosion control as a priority in their cooperation and the district Ismayilli was choosen for the implementation of pilot activities.

The district Ismayilli covers an area of about 2.158 km². Approximately 31% of the territory is covered with forest. Pasture lands on slopes are particularly exposed to vegetation degradation due to overgrazing. The loss of a closed vegetation cover on mountain slopes can lead to severe soil erosion due to surface water runoff. The project team together with the district administration decided to set the focus on the village Ehen near Lahic.

The approach chosen for integrated erosion control in Ehen was a community-based approach. Together with stakeholders, the most severe erosion sites were identified, and a list of priorities was developed. In cooperation with international experts, different technologies and practices were developed to stop erosion processes. Several preconditions for the development of a number of practices were set: The technologies should be costeffective and affordable for the villagers, and the villagers should be able to use them without the use of external technicians. In order to achieve this, particular emphasis was placed on the application of bio-engineering measures. Measures were applied on degraded pasture lands and erosion gullies in the pilot community at the south slope of the Great Caucasus.

As a first step, the implementation sites were determined through joint field visits by village representatives and experts ('Screening mission'). In the first face the GIZ-team and the SLM-experts have been introduced to the village community. In this phase, the national GIZ project coordinator had the major role to create a basis of respect and trust to enable a positive athomisphere for an open minded discussion. The driving factors of deforestation and overgrazing were discussed in the field, and the potential intervention sites were marked with colour spray and wooden poles in the field. The marking in the field instead of only working with printed maps was very important for the recognition, discussion and acceptance of the sites by all villagers. There was a gap of several weeks between marking and implementation, which provided enough time for internal discussion about the site selection and the adaptation of boundaries.

Nine degraded pastures and forest land sites were selected by the village stakeholders togehter witht the SLM specialists. Four sites are located above the village with the risk of

БАЙРШИЛ



Байршил: Dlistrict Ismayilli, Ehen village, Азербайжан

Сонгосон байршлуудын газарзүйн холболт

• 48.41683, 40.85267

Эхлэх огноо: 2015

Төгсөх жил: 2018

Арга барилын төрөл

- уламжлалт / уугуул
 Сүүлийн үеийн орон нутгийн санаачлага / шинэчлэл
- 🗾 төсөл / хөтөлбөр дээр үндэслэсэн

increasing rockfall and flooding by surface water runoff. Five sites are located below the village and were selected to ensure the productivity of the land. For providing tree seedlings, a local tree nursery was established near the school (10th site). One site was selected to combine effects by establishing a hazelnut plantation to stop erosion, increase vegetation cover and provide an income generation opportunity.

Two sites with gully erosion were selected: a site above the village with the risk of flooding into the village and a site below the village along the road with a high risk of road damage if the deepening process continues (detailed instructions on measures can be found at the internet links attached).

Regular meetings took place between the traditional administrative community board, the GIZ-project team and the SLM experts to discuss the implementation process and to evaluate together the results. The availability of local resources was taken into consideration to adapt technologies to fit the local needs. New ideas, localy available materials and technologies have beein integrated into the implementation process by the local stakeholders. The implementation of the measures was done mainly by the local village people and local experts. The SLM experts provided 'hands-on-training' and all materials that were not available in the village as well external experts were financed by the project.

Another essential aspect is the sustainable use of well-managed meadows by different stakeholders (beekeepers, wild herb collectors, orchard owners and others) in the community. This includes the agreement (rule) of the community to share the protected pastures and to consider the needs of all interest groups. The decission of the profit sharing is taken by the taditional administrative community board. A further factor was the establishment of a tree nursery, which led to an increased motivation to plant additional trees (especially fruit trees) in the community.



Mapped sites in Ehen. The village was assessed in the screening mission in May 2014 and was subject of several further field missions. Ehen acts as a demonstration site for the other villages, as many different measures were implemented here. (Hanns Kirchmeir)



Construction of a pile wall on a steep slope in the village of Goydan (Hanns Kirchmeir)

АРГА БАРИЛЫН ЗОРИЛГО БА ЭЕРЭГ НӨЛӨӨ

Арга барилын үндсэн зорилго, зорилт

Develop erosion control measures that can be implemented by village population without significant investment. The measures are addressed to rehabilitate vegetation on eroded sites and to slow down water speed and erosive energy where gullies already exist. This should help protect roads and other infrastructure as well as stop soil loss and increase overall productivity.

Тухайн Арга барилын хүрээнд нэвтрүүлсэн Технологийг хэрэгжүүлэхэд дэмжлэг болох нөхцлүүд

- Нийгэм / соёл / шашны хэм хэмжээ, үнэт зүйлс: Local population tend to save resources such as forest and pasture surrounding their village. Residents, especially women collect wild plants to use in daily life. Furthermore, selling collected wild plants in the market, residents earn income.
- Санхүүгийн нөөц, үйлчилгээний хүртээмж / боломж: Most of the activities (fencing, willow fascines, pilewalls, gabion or wooden check dams) only need small-scale financial investments. Only the drip irrigation system for the hazelnut orchard needed significant external investment, and the return of the investment cannot be expected before 10 years. Such an investment would have been impossible for the village community without external support.
- Бүтэц зохион байгуулалт: The Community Management Group was established at the early stage of the project.
- **Талуудыг хамтын ажиллагаа/зохицуулалт**: Pilot activities are implemented in cooperation with local decision makers and communities. The active involvement of the village people in the implementation works was a hands-on training.
- **Бодлогууд**: The Azerbaijan policy to establish more than 2000ha of hazelnut orchard in the district of Ismayilli supports the decision to establish hazelnut orchards on eroded sites as a control measure.

- Газрын засаглал (шийдвэр гаргах, хэрэгжүүлэх, шаардлага): Pilot sites are located in municipality land. Community members and local authority decided the border of pilot sites.
- ГТМ-ийн талаарх мэдлэг, техникийн дэмжлэг авах боломж: Residents have some initial knowledge of sustainable land management. Implementing pilot activities their information is developed.
- Зах зээл (материал худалдан авах, бүтээгдэхүүн борлуулах), үнэ: Collected wild plants are sold in the market located next to Ehen village.
- Ажлын багтаамж, хүн хүчний нөөц бололцоо: The manpower is available in the village

Тухайн Арга барилын хүрээнд нэвтрүүлсэн Технологийг хэрэгжүүлэхэд хүндрэл учруулах нөхцлүүд

 Хууль, эрхзүйн хүрээ (газар эзэмшил, газар, ус ашиглах эрх): The forest's legal protection does not allow timber or poles to be taken from the forest for the construction of pile walls or wooden check dams. The poles had to be imported and transferred to the village. A balanced sustainable forest management would enable village people to make use of the local timber and would encourage people to establish forest areas.

ТАЛУУДЫН ОРОЛЦОО БА ҮҮРЭГ

Арга барилд оролцогч талууд болон тэдгээрийн үүрэг Ямар оролцогч талууд / хэрэгжүүлэгч байгууллагууд арга барилд оролцож байсан Оролцогч талуудыг тодорхойлно уу Оролцогч талуудын үүргийг тайлбарлана уу бэ? Selection of sites for intervention, providing labour during implementation of measure, local hay Орон нутгийн газар ашиглагч / орон нутгийн Livestock farmers, shepherds, smallholder farms residuals provided by farmers for testing the иргэд and women that were loosely organised. measure, maintenance of drip irrigation and electric fence of the hazeInut orchards. The SLM specialist elaborated in close International and national specialists have been ГТМ-ийн мэргэжилтэн/ хөдөө аж ахуйн зөвлөх cooperation with the local stakeholders the integrated. implementation concept. Researcher from the Agrarian University in Ganja. Судлаачид Numerous pilot activities (test and demonstrate the most appropriate actions and raise awareness Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources, of the community on the long-term socio-Орон нутгийн захиргаа Ismayilli District Administration economic and environmental benefits of the pilot actions) have been implemented In cooperation with local government in Ehen municipality.

Арга барилын янз бүрийн үе шатанд орон нутгийн газар ашиглагчид / бүлгүүдийг татан оролцуулах



Арга барил хэрэгжүүлэх бүдүүвч

This flow chart gives an overview on the different roles of project participants (Ministry and GIZ, the national experts and SLM specialists as well as the local stakeholders) and the actions implementented by them jointly or seperately.



ГТМ-ийн технологи сонгох шийдвэр гаргах явц

Шийдвэр гаргасан этгээд

- Газар ашиглагч дангаараа (өөрийн санаачлага) ГТМ-ийн мэргэжилтнүүдийн дэмжлэгтэйгээр, голчлон газар
- ашиглагчид оролцооны зарчмын хэсэг болох бүх холбогдох талууд
- голдуу ГТМ-ийн мэргэжилтнүүд, газар ашиглагчидтай зөвлөлдсөний үндсэн дээр
 ГТМ-ийн мэргэжилтэн дангаараа
- улс төрчид / удирдагчид

Шийдвэр гаргах үндэслэл нь

- ПТМ-ийн мэдлэгийг баримтжуулалтын үнэлгээ (нотолгоонд суурилсан шийдвэр гаргах)
- 🔽 Судалгааны үр дүн, ололтууд
- 🔽 Хувь хүний туршлага ба санал бодол (баримтжуулаагүй)
- ТЕХНИКИЙН ТУСЛАЛЦАА, ЧАДАВХИ БИЙ БОЛГОХ БОЛОН МЭДЛЭГИЙН МЕНЕЖМЕНТ

Дараах үйл ажиллагаа эсвэл үйлчилгээ нь арга барилын нэг хэсэг болсон

- 🖊 Чадавхи бэхжүүлэх/сургалт
- 🔽 Зөвлөх үйлчилгээ
- 🔽 Институцийг бэхжүүлэх (байгууллагын хөгжил)
- Иониторинг ба үнэлгээ
 - Судалгаа

Чадавхи бэхжүүлэх / сургалт

Дараах сонирхогч талуудад

сургалт хийсэн

Газар ашиглагчид
 хээрийн ажилтан / зөвлөх

Зөвлөх үйлчилгээ

Зөвлөх үйлчилгээ үзүүлсэн

🔽 Газар ашиглагчийн талбай

дээр Тогтмол төвд

Институцийг бэхжүүлэх

Институци бэхжисэн / бий



Үгүй Тийм, бага 7ийм, дунд зэрэг Тийм, маш их

Дэмжлэгийн төрөл

Санхүүгийн чадавхи бэхжүүлэх / сургалт Тоног төхөөрөмж

Сургалтын хэлбэр Ажил дээр

фермерээс -фермер **үзүүлэнгийн талбай** Олон нийтийн уулзалт курс дамжаа

Хамарсан сэдэв

Construction of willow fascines, pill walls, wooden check dams, gabion check dams, tree planting, fence construction (electric fence, mesh wire fence), construction and maintenance of drip irrigation system.

The field trip provided advice and training on afforestation and tree species selection.

дараах түвшинд ✓ Орон нутгийн ✓ Бүс нутгийн ✓ Үндэсний

Байгууллага, үүрэг, хариуцлага, гишүүд зэргийг тодорхойлно уу.

The implementation capacity of line ministries, their subordinate bodies and of training institutions regarding the management of biodiversity and ecosystem services is improved. The regional exchange on sustainable management of biodiversity and ecosystem services is improved.

Дэлгэрэнгүй мэдээлэл

Capacities in project planning, implementation and monitoring have been developed. Awareness raising on erosion-caused land degradation and effective, cost-efficient erosion control measures have been applied.

Мониторинг ба үнэлгээ

In 2018, monitoring was carried out on the implemented measures in order to assess if additional interventions would be required or if measures had been damaged. Permanent monitoring plots have been established to assess the rehabilitation of vegetation.

САНХҮҮЖИЛТ БОЛОН ХӨНДЛӨНГИЙН МАТЕРИАЛЛАГ ДЭМЖЛЭГ

ГТМ-ийн бүрэлдэхүүн хэсгийн жилийн төсөв ам.доллараар

	< 2,000
	2,000-10,000
1	10,000-100,000
	100,000-1,000,000
	> 1,000,000
Pro	ecise annual budget: 100.0

In the framework of the GIZprogram "Integrated Biodiversity Management, South Caucasus" (2015-2019), implemented on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). the amount covers: fencing, electric fensing, hay, pile walls, afforestation, wooden check dams, gabion check dams, other materials and labour on the sites of Ehen.

Газар ашиглагч нарт дараах урамшуулал, үйлчилгээг үзүүлсэн

- Газар ашиглагчдад санхүүгийн / материаллаг дэмжлэг үзүүлсэн
- Тодорхой хөрөнгө оруулалтанд нөхөн олговор олгох
- 🔽 Бусад урамшуулал, хэрэгсэл

Газар ашиглагчдад санхүүгийн болон материаллаг дэмжлэг үзүүлэх

Land users were provided materials for erosion control measures and tree nursery. The timber for the pile walls, the mesh wire fence and the electric fencing material as well as well as tanks for rain water collection (for the tree nursery) and irrigation equipment was provided. The local

stakeholders provided man power for the mainance of fences and irrigation system and maintaining the tree nursery for setting up infrastructures like gabions or chech damms was paid. Ажил хөдөлмөр Only the construction of technical infrastructure (fence, check dams, irrigation system was paid. Maintenance work was not paid.	free. Workpower for Letw//web Herry More Her
tree nursery Equipment (fence, water tanks, irrigation system, tools) have been financed. Seeds have been provided by locals.	Z
Барилга байгууламж: Мод Timber for pile walls was bought and provided, branches for willow fence and fascines was contributed by locals.	V
Газар ашиглагчаас гаргасан хөдөлмөр хүчний зардал сайн дурын хоол хүнсээр ажилладаг бэлэн мөнгөөр төлдөг У бусад материаллаг дэмжлэгээр шагнагдсан	
Бусад урамшуулал, хэрэгсэл	
For the implementation of the pilot measures in Ehen, material and payment for labour was provided. There have been activities in neighboring villages where only the material was provided, as the work was done voluntarily.	some follow up
НӨЛӨӨЛЛИЙН ДҮН ШИНЖИЛГЭЭ БА ДҮГНЭЛТ	
Арга барилын үр нөлөө	
Арга барил нь орон нутгийн газар ашиглагчдыг чадваржуулах, оролцогч талуудын оролцоог сайжруулсан уу? The application of easy-to-use measures for erosion control enabled local land users to arrange land management and erosion control measures by themselves without relying on significant external support. The pilot actions in the village Ehen are used as a showcase for the neighbouring villages.	Үүүй Тийм, бага зэрэг К Тийм, их
Арга барил нь ГТМ-ийн технологийг хэрэгжүүлж, хадгалахад газар ашиглагчдад тусласан уу? As a result of the on-the-job training, most of the activities (fencing, pile walls, hay mulch application, wooden and gabion check dams) can now be implemented by the local village stakeholders without external support.	
Арга барил нь ГТМ-ийн хэрэгжилтийн санхүүгийн эх үүсвэрийн хүртээмжийг сайжруулах / эргэлтэнд оруулахад чиглэсэн үү? International funds were accessible for the village community and other international donors funded measures in the same village.	Z
Арга барил нь ГТМ хэрэгжүүлэхэд газар ашиглагчдын мэдлэг, чадварыг сайжруулахад хүргэсэн үү? The involvement of local stakeholders in all stages of planning, site selection and implementation improved capacity and knowledge. It was very important that the work was done mainly by local village people and not by external companies.	Z
Энэ арга барил бусад сонирхогч талуудын мэдлэг, чадавхийг сайжруулсан уу? University experts and district-level technicians participated in the planning and implementation. They can act as knowledge hubs.	2
Энэ арга барил зөрчилдөөнийг багасгасан уу?	
Арга барил нь чанаржуулсан шим тэжээл/ хүнсний аюулгүй байдалд хүргэсэн үү?	✓
Арга барил нь зах зээлийн хүртээмжийг сайжруулсан уу?	
Арга барил нь хөдөлмөр эрхлэлт, орлогын боломжид хүргэсэн үү? Villagers have reported that the improved vegetation in the fenced areas led to significantly higher honey harvest and herb collection for marketing on the bazaar of Lahic village.	
Protection from national hazards All gabions at the sites in Ehen are functioning well and show the impact of the gully deepening and the wash out at the lower (downhill) end of the gabion. Reduced water speed and the stabilised river bed helped to save the road.	

Газар ашиглагчид ГТМ хэрэгжүүлэх болсон үндсэн шалтгаа			
	1	үйлдвэрлэл нэмэгдсэн	
	1	Ашиг нэмэгдсэн (боломж), зардал-үр ашгийн харьцаа сайжирсан	
	1	Газрын доройтол буурсан	
	1	Гамшигийн эрсдэл буурсан	

н Арга барилын хүрээнд хэрэгжүүлсэн үйл ажиллагааны тогтвортой байдал

іжирсан Газар ашиглагчид арга барилаар дамжуулан хэрэгжүүлсэн арга хэмжээг тогтвортой үргэлжлүүлж чадах уу (гадны дэмжлэггүйгээр)?

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төлбөр / татаас

Ажлын ачаалал бууруулсан

дүрэм журам (торгууль) / сахиулах нэр хүнд, нийгмийн дарамт / нийгмийн холбоо Сүлжээ/ бүлэг төсөл/ хөдөлгөөнд гишүүнээр элсүүлэх

🛛 Байгаль орчны ухамсар

зан заншил, ёс суртахуун ГТМ-ийн мэдлэг, туршлага дээшилсэн гоо зүйн сайжруулалт зөрчилдөөнийг бууруулах

Тодорхойгүй

Local stakeholders trained on building and applying measures. The measures (fencing, pile walls, wooden and gabion check dams) are low-cost and can easily be replicated by village stakeholders. Only the drip irrigation system and electric fencing for the hazelnut orchard needs high investment and might not be up-scaled without external support.

ДҮГНЭЛТ, СУРГАМЖ

Давуу тал: газар ашиглагчийн бодлоор

- The integration of local stakeholders in the selection of measures and sites helped to address the most 'urgent' problems from the villagers view.
- It was important to have visual results from the work in a short time. Especially the reduction of flooding was a very positive result as well as the increased number of flowering plants which led to an increase of honey and tea production, which created additional income. Some of the trained techniques have been already transferred by villagers to neighbouring communities.
- Most of the beneficiaries see the hazelnut plantation area as a potential source of income in the future and at the same time as a useful measurement for rehabilitation of the biodiversity and measure against erosion.

Land users see the implementation of the measures on the site as contribution to the future tourism perspective of the village.

• The pilot measure is cost-efficient and affordable for local people. It has a positive ratio of cost/benefit.

Давуу тал: эмхэтгэгч эсвэл бусад мэдээлэл өгсөн хүмүүсийн бодлоор

- Measures are easily implemented and materials (mesh wire, willows, seedlings) are available locally.
- The measures are showing significant impacts in a short time. The rehabilitation of vegetation and the gathering of sediments halting gully deepening is already visible in the first year after implementation.
- As there is still enough pasture land available and the areas of intervention have been implemented on degraded land, there was no major conflict with shepherds and farmers.

Сул тал/ дутагдал / эрсдэл: газар ашиглагчийн бодлоордаван туулах боломжууд

- Low capacity of the municipality was limiting to the management of the drip irrigation and the electric fence. Handing over the hazelnut orchard to a private cooperative could increase ownership and personal involvement of local stakeholders in orchard maintenance. A long-term business plan and financing model needs to be developed if the approach is to be up-scaled.
- Current electric fence of hazelnut plantation is not efficient in protecting area from free roaming animals.
 It also reflects on the inefficiency of the overseer's working time, as he spends entire working hours on the controlling the fence which reduces his time on spending on the additional activities like controlling plant growth and irrigation system. Changing electrical fence to the ordinary mesh fence or wire fence.

Сул тал/ дутагдал / эрсдэл: эмхэтгэгч эсвэл бусад мэдээлэл өгсөн хүмүүсийн бодлоордаван туулах боломжууд

- Because of a general ban on forest management, the timber used for pile walls and wooden check dams cannot be extracted from the local forest. Timber and logs have to be bought from foreign markets. An adaptation of laws on the legal extraction of local timber for certain purpose would be helpful.
- Hazel needs more than 750 mm annual precipitation. Humidity above 60% in June and July is beneficial. A strong wind is a danger for young trees. Ehen has 500-700m precipitation and significant summer drought. A drip irrigation system was applied to overcome summer drought in the first couple of years until seedlings have established a sufficient root system to access water from deeper soil layers.
- The electric fencing and the drip irrigation for the hazelnut plantation and fruit tree plantations above the village need expensive investment and specific skills for mounting and maintenance. Project investment was used for pilot measures as a demonstration site. The hazelnut orchard can show a positive return on investment within 10-15 years if managed well.

СУУРЬ МЭДЭЭЛЭЛҮҮД

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Холбогдох ГТМ мэдээлэл

Technologies: Sustainable land management using controlled gullying https://qcat.wocat.net/mn/wocat/technologies/view/technologies_1684/

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