REVIVING THE NATIONAL PROTECTED AREAS BOARD PROPOSED ROAD MAP

"Notes from the meeting"

Date: 27th Sept 2011

Chair: Dr Bakari Asseid, (Dep PS responsible for Forestry)

Project team: Rashid Khamis, (Ag Director FNRNR)

Ali Mwinyi, (Project leader GEF coastal forests Zanzibar)

John Salehe (Reg. Forestry adviser WWF ESARPO)

Time: 10:000 – 11:30 hrs

Venue: Ministry A & NR Zanzibar

Introduction:

Dr Bakari (Chair) welcomed the team and received an introduction and the objective of the meeting from the Project team. The following were discussed in the interest to re a activate the NPAB for Zanzibar.

1. Lead

Agreed that this process be lead by Directorate of Forests and Non Renewable Natural Resources (Mr Sheha Hamdani Director) as one of the key activities within the GEF funded coastal forests activities.

2. Internal team

It was agreed that the Director will have the internal team which may include the following: Rashid Khamis, Ali Mwinyi, Ali Basha, Kassim Madeweya, Saleh Kombo, Rahika Hamad Suleiman, Sielewi Markuta and Abdal Hamad Salim

3. Introduction

It was informed that, this activity is aimed at re activation the National Protected Areas Board which was initiated in 1990 and put in place in 2002. It started its initial activities in 2002 but due to limited resources did not pick up as expected.

4. Background to the activity.

The summary included the information that:

The GEF funded coastal forests project 2010 – 2014 has been developed for Tanzania with about a third of the funds coming to Zanzibar. One of the main outputs is to support reactivating the NPAB board and ensure it is functional. The project has started with baseline activities including a review on possibility to re activate the NPBA. A report by a consultant Ali Ali Hassan is available and comes up with observations and advises a number of issues and possible way forwards.

5. Current status NPAB

It was made clear that, the NPAB tenure expired in 2006 and this has not been reconstituted. This was formed under the instruments of the Environment Ministry which are very valid to date. There are no activities under the NPAB as it is absent. The GEF funded project through DFNRNR with a strong support from the ministry (Agric and Forestry) is ready to re activate this board. Several studies have been conducted under DFNRNR and these will inform the process to have the NPAB in place.

It is envisaged that, this process can be concluded within the FY 12 so that the remaining two and a half a year would see the full functioning of the NPAB with government input increasing while the project support ensures sustainability.

6. Suggested road map discussed:

- 1. Agree on the road map Sept 2011 June 2012
 - a. 26 Sept Internal consultations and agree on proposed action plan and roadmap (Core team: A Mwinyi, Rashid Khamis and J Salehe)
 - b. 27 Sept Finalise road map with Directorate and Ministry and agree on key facilitator "make it happen" core team and Dep PS Dr B Asseid
 - c. 27 Sept Finalise TOR for a facilitator and budget
 - d. 28 Sept Commission facilitation activity
 - e. 29 Sept Conduct a technical roundtable discussion with key Permanent Secretaries (and relevant thematic deputy directors) Environment, Agriculture & Forests.
 - f. October: Summarise available background info
 - i. Collate reports
 - ii. Read existing board history
 - iii. Analyse legal provisions (Forestry... environment)
 - iv. Analyse and summarise procedures and review TORs for the board
 - v. Finalise the composition of the technical team
 - vi. Conduct a roundtable consultative discussions with the selected technical team
 - g. November:
 - Facilitate formation of the board PS environment, Agriculture
 & Natural Resources and Fisheries
 - h. December: Facilitate re activating the board (November)
 - i. Develop a work plan for the board
 - ii. Conduct first board meeting including sensitisation meeting and launch.
 - i. Jan June 2012: Implement board work plan

It was agreed that the project team provide all required support to ensure timely delivery by the facilitators. This includes necessary photocopying, printing, distribution of letters, arrangement and logistics for venues and participants including all payments.

7. Proposed consultative technical group composition

(Permanent secretary Agriculture and Forests) 1. Mr Khalifa 2. Dr Shejak (Permanent secretary VPO (environment)) 3. Mwalinu (Permanent secretary Lands)

4. Issa Minyoti (Director Tourism) (Dep PS forestry) 5. Dr Bakari Asseid) (Director environment) 6. Mr Sheha Mjaja

7. Musa Jumbe (Director fisheries) 8. Hemedi

(Water sector)

(MP Dep Minister Finance - Forester) 9. Hon Pereira Silima

10. MP Mbarouk Salim Ali (MP and a Forester)

11. A S. Hatib (MP Retd Minister and an Agriculturist)

(retired Director Fisheries) 12. Makame Salum Nassor

13. Thabit Massoud (CARE - Forester)

14. Salim Kibanzi

15. Kassim Ghalib

16. Dr Suleiman (Pemba)

17. Amina Salum

18. M Anas Masoud

19. Marine community

20. JECA

21. Chumbe Island

22. Hamza Rijali

23. Internal DFNRNR team (six – eight)

8. Proposed TOR for making it happen.

- o Become a lead innovative link in both formal and informal discussions to key decision makers in the government to fast track the activity within the agreed government procedures.
- o 29 Sept Thursday Conduct a technical roundtable discussion with key Permanent Secretaries (and relevant thematic deputy directors) Environment, Agriculture & Forests.
- October: Summarise available background info
 - Collate reports
 - Read existing board history
 - Analyse legal provisions (Forestry... environment)
 - Analyse and summarise procedures and review TORs for the board
 - Finalise the composition of the technical team

- Conduct a roundtable consultative discussions with the selected technical team third week of October (25th Tuesday)
- o November:
 - Facilitate formation of the NPAB board lead by PS environment with input from Agriculture & Natural Resources and Fisheries ministries
- o December: Facilitate re activating the NPAB
 - Develop a work plan for the board
 - Conduct first board meeting (7th December) including sensitisation meeting and launch.

It was agreed that the project management finalise the process to get a facilitator to make this happen so that the activities start on 29th September.

9. Budget:

Agreed that Project leader review the work plan to accommodate the revised activity (and share with PMU in time) to include the following:

(a) Facilitator payments:

First instalment Second Instalment Final instalment

(b) Meetings:

Permanent secretary three ministries meeting 29th September Participation and incidentals for six senior staff Payment for coffee and snacks

Consultative meeting with technical team

Venue including teas and snacks Logistics for participants coming from Pemba Transport and incidentals for Unguja participants

First board meeting

Venue including teas and snacks Logistics for participants from Pemba Transport and incidentals for Unguja and Pemba