



CELEBRATION OF CASPIAN DAY IN TURKMENISTAN

2014



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PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The project document outlines the following objectives.

The goal of the project is to raise understanding of the importance of the Caspian Sea issues and to raise support of the public locally and nation-wide regarding Caspian Sea environmental issues. Objectives of the project include the organization and performance of the coast-wide awareness campaign in Turkmenbashi and Awaza area devoted to the Caspian Sea Day celebration.

PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

Preparatory phase

The project personal performed the following project activities:

- 1) Preparation of letters to the related agencies to receive support in holding the event;
- 2) To determine agencies, speakers and their presentations at the conference devoted to the Caspian Day;
- 3) Printing and distribution of colorful booklets-containing agenda and additional material;
- 4) Purchase of gifts for the schoolchildren;
- 5) Design and printing of 70 sets of T-shirts and 70 copies of caps;
- 6) Printing of banners;
- 7) Procurement of stationeries including color pencils, flipcharts, paper, color chalks and etc.;
- 8) Preparation of the detailed program of the events, hiring theatrical performance groups, hiring and working with volunteers;
- 9) Working out the scenario of the event;
- 10) Making agreements with the persons, who will assist in arranging holiday performances in Turkmenbashi city.

The project prepared and agreed the program of Celebration with the Ministry of Nature Protection of Turkmenistan. The mentioned ministry bore expenses for the air tickets and hotel rooms for 25 persons from Ashgabat. The Caspian Day was celebrated in two hotels in the National zone of “Avaza”. The first part – the conference «Ecology of the Caspian Sea: international cooperation for

the sake of a sustainable development» was held in “Hasy1” Hotel and the second part – in “Dayanch” Hotel on the Caspian coast. The events were planned for August 11-12, 2014.

Main activities

The main activities of the project included the number of public awareness events which were performed during August 11-12th, 2014 in the National tourist zone “Avaza”. The following activities were performed:

- The scientifically-practical conference «Ecology of the Caspian Sea: international cooperation for the sake of a sustainable development», taken place in "Hasy1» Hotel; the aim to present the last achievements of the state policy regarding to the Caspian environment, including the reports of the concerned agencies.
 - o Welcoming speech of the Minister of Nature Protection of Turkmenistan Mr Babageldi Annabairamov;
 - o Greeting speeches of the Caspian states diplomatic representatives from embassies, representatives from UNDP, OSCE, ABD, the World Bank , GTZ and others acting in Turkmenistan;
 - o Reports and presentations during the conference:
 - “NCAP implementation in Turkmenistan” Representative of the State Enterprise on the Caspian issues at the President of Turkmenistan Ms Chynar Kichijikova,
 - “Caspian biodiversity and its protection (Ministry of Nature Protection/Royal society for the protection of birds (RSPB) representative of Hazar State Reserve Mr Aman Amanov;
 - ”Activity on implementation of the Tehran Convention in Turkmenistan” NCLO for Turkmenistan Gozel Orazdurdyeva, and others presentations. The agenda of the conference is attached. (Annex I)

It should be marked that the planned programme for Caspian Day celebration was very large and some events were held a day before- on August 11, 2014. The support of our stakeholders – the Municipality of the Balkan region should be marked in this regard. They supported in arranging sport events- football, basketball, «Cheerful starts» and the drawing contest. These events have been put on video and have been shown on TV (Chanel 4 and “Altyn Asyr” Channel on August 12-13, 2014.)

The **drawing contest** was performed for children of 10-13 years old. About 15 children were involved in the contest. The children received colored pencils and had to draw how they think the Caspian Sea should be kept clean. The evaluation committee consisted of Ministry official, representatives of the Nature Reserve, Municipality of Balkan region and Balkan branch of public association on nature protection. They determined winners.

(The video is available, but because of its great size it is impossible to forward it).

The second part of the holiday, devoted to the Caspian Day began after the lunch, when all participants of holiday celebration - both adults and children - have gathered in the conference hall of “Dayanch” where schoolchildren took part in cultural-informative actions.

It should be noted that the held ecological quiz had a good success among children; they have shown a good knowledge of biological, geographical, zoological, ecological issues. It was really interesting for them and for other participants.

After the quiz there was a concert, prepared by Municipality of the Balkan region, which invited the dancing groups “Miras” and “Ovaz”, singers, who sang songs about the Caspian, Turkmenbashi poets recited their own poetry about the Caspian and Motherland to the audience.

The guests of the concert really enjoyed the performance presented by the mentioned dancing groups and singers.

After the holiday concert all children, participated in the sport events, in drawing contest and those who showed nice dances received valuable prizes. (Photos are attached Annex III)

The project organized one lunch and one coffee break for participants.

The total quantity of children was 60.

Financial report

The actual expenditure of the project was \$5 000. The actual expenditure by budget items is presented by the following table:

No.	Item	Amount US\$
1	Facilitation of Caspian Day festivities including distribution of Caspian Day designed documents and articles and ensuring favourable environment for participants (<i>stationeries, prizes, T-shirts/caps, coffee/snack</i>)	\$ 2800
2	Musical equipment rent	\$ 200
3	Theatrical performance	\$ 1600
4	Assistance	\$ 200
7	Miscellaneous	\$ 200
	Grand total	\$ 5 000

The in-kind contribution to the project, including specialists' input, additional transportation, air tickets, hotel rooms costs and etc. is estimated at about **\$5185**.

No.	Item	Unit	Actual amount spent, US\$
1	Conference hall	1	150
2	Athletic fields for football/basketball	2	200
3	Air tickets for participants from Ashgabat	22 per-s	1042
4	Hotel room's cost	25per-s	1754
5	Lunch/dinner for participants	25per-s	1579
6	Banners	3	180
7	Transportation (pick up from/to airport)		280
Total			5185

ПРОГРАММА
мероприятий по проведению
Дня Каспия

Национальная туристическая зона «Аваза» 11-12 августа 2014г.
г. Туркменбаши

11 августа, понедельник

18:30 Прибытие участников мероприятий, посвященных к
«Дню Каспия» из г.Ашхабад в г.Туркменбаши и размещение в центре
здоровья и отдыха «Хасыл»

12-августа, вторник

**Научно-практическая конференция «Экология Каспия:
международное сотрудничество во имя устойчивого развития»**

Место проведения: конференц-зал центра здоровья и отдыха «Хасыл»

08:30-09:00	Регистрация участников конференции
09:00-09:05	Открытие конференции
09:05-09:15	Экология Каспийского моря - приоритетное направление государственной политики Туркменистана

*(Выступление министра охраны природы
Туркменистана Б.Аннабайрамова)*

09:15-09:45

Приветственное слово от имени международных организаций:

- представитель Программы развития Организации Объединенных Наций Ровшен Нурмухаммедов;
- представитель Организации безопасности и сотрудничества в Европе Ричард Виллер;
- представитель Азиатского банка развития Пламен Бозаков;
- представитель Всемирного банка Сердар Джепбаров;
- представитель Германского общества по международному сотрудничеству Гульбахар Абдурасулова.

09:45-10:15

Приветственное слово от имени Посольств прикаспийских государств в Туркменистане:

- Советник Посольства Азербайджанской Республики в Туркменистане Заби Ахундов;
- 1 -ый секретарь Посольства Республики Казахстан в Туркменистане Ерджан Мустафин;
- Советник Посольства Исламской Республики Иран в Туркменистане Сейед Хуссейн Зульфагари;
- Атташе Посольства Российской Федерации в Туркменистане Алексей Винокуров.

10:15 - 10:30

Успешная реализация Национального Каспийского плана действий в Туркменистане (Заместитель начальника управления координации правовых вопросов Государственного Предприятия по вопросам Каспийского моря при Президенте Туркменистана Чинар Кичиджикова)

- 10:30 - 10:45** Деятельность по выполнению Рамочной конвенции по защите морской среды Каспийского моря в Туркменистане
(Представитель Каспийской экологической программы Гозель Ораздурдыева)
- 10:45-11:00** Охрана и сохранение биоразнообразия Каспийского моря и сотрудничество с Британским Королевским обществом по охране птиц (*Сотрудник Хазарского Государственного заповедника Аман Аманов*)
- 11:00 - 11:20** Перерыв на кофе/чай
- 11:20 - 11:35** Перспективы развития судоходства в Каспийском море (Сотрудник Государственной Службы морского и речного транспорта Туркменистана Нурыгды Сеидов)
- 11:35 — 11:50** Экономическая оценка биологических ресурсов Каспийского моря (Представитель Программы Развития ООН Олег Гучгельдыев)
- 11:50 - 12:05** Региональная деятельность Туркменистана в сфере охраны биоресурсов Каспийского моря (Научный сотрудник предприятия "Балканбалык" Государственного Комитета рыбного хозяйства Туркменистана Виктор Анисимов)
- 12:05 - 12:20** «Национальная туристическая зона «Аваза» - центр здоровья и туризма
(главный специалист отдела туризма хакимлика этрапа Аваза г. Туркменбаши Мейлис Назаров)
- 12:20 - 12:30** Подведение итогов и закрытие научно-практической конференции «Экология Каспия: международное сотрудничество во имя устойчивого развития»

13:00-14:30 *Обед*

Культурные и спортивные мероприятия:

Место проведения: Центр здоровья и отдыха «Даянч».

15:00-16:00 Проведение познавательной викторины и
итогов конкурса детских рисунков.
Определение победителей и вручение
подарков

16:00-17:00 Выступления детской фольклорной и танцевальной
группы «Мирас» центра культуры г.Туркменбаши

17:00-18:00 Подведение итогов соревнований по различным
видам спорта и вручение подарков победителям

18:00 Выезд участников конференции из центра здоровья
и отдыха «Хасыл» в международный аэропорт
Туркменбаши

19:20 Отбытие участников конференции в Ашхабад.