Acronyms

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ADG
: Additional Director General

ADP
: Annual Development Plan

AEO
: Agricultural Extension Officer

AGEP
: Agricultural Growth and Employment Program

AIS
: Agricultural Information Systems

ARM
: Annual Review Mission

BADC
: Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation

BARI
: Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute

BAU
: Bangladesh Agricultural University

BBS
: Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics

BCIC
: Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation

BDP
: Bangladesh Delta Plan

BDT
: Bangladesh Taka

BDS
: Business Development Services

BEE
: Business Enable Environment

BGIF
: Blue Gold Innovation Fund

BGP
: Blue Gold Program

BHWDB
: Bangladesh Hoar and Wetland Development Board

BINA
: Bangladesh Institute of Nuclear Agriculture

BRAC
: Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee (an NGO)

BWDB
: Bangladesh Water Development Board

BWFMS
: Bangladesh Water and Flood Management Strategy

CA
: Caltivable Area

CAHW
: Community Animal Health Workers

CAWM
: Community-led Agricultural Water Management

CBO
: Community-Based Organisation

CDF
: Community Development Facilitator

CDMP
: Comprehensive Disaster Management Program

CDSP
: Char Development and Settlement Project

CEGIS
: Center for Environmental and Geographic Information Services

CEIP
: Coastal Embankment Improvement Project

CEIP-1
: Coastal Embankment Improvement Project Phase 1, World Bank 2013-2020

CEP
: Coastal Embankment Project, World Bank 1961-1978

CFWM
: Community-led Fisheries and Water Management

CGIAR
: Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research

CI
: Cropping Intensity

CII
: Cropping Intensification Initiative

CIMMYT
: International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre

CLF
: Community-led Fisheries

CLW
: Community Livestock Worker

CO
: Community Organiser

CPP-FAP-20
: Compartmentalization Pilot Project (CPP)-FAP-20

CPW
: Community Poultry Worker

CPWF
: Challenge Programme on Water and Food

CSISA
: Cereal Systems Initiative for South Asia

CWM
: Chief of Water Management (BWDB)

CYS
: courtyard sessions

DAE
: Department of Agricultural Extension

DAM
: Department of Agricultural Marketing

DANIDA
: Danish International Development Agency

DDP
: Delta Development Project, GoN 1976-1988

DG
: Director General

DLS
: Department of Livestock Services

DoC
: Department of Cooperatives

DoF
: Department of Fisheries

DP III
: Department of Planning III (BWDB)

DPP
: Development Project Proforma

DTL
: Deputy Team Leader

EC
: Executive Committee

ECRRP
: Emergency Cyclone Recovery and Restoration Project, World Bank 2008-

EDP
: Estuary Development Programme

EIA
: Environmental Impact Assessment

EIP
: Early Implementation Project, GoN 1975-1997

EKN
: Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

EMM
: Euroconsult Mott MacDonald

EO
: Earth Observation

EOI
: Expression of Interest

EPWAPDA
: East Pakistan Water and Power Development Authority

EWM
: Equitable Water Management

FAO
: Food and Agriculture Organization

FAP
: Flood Action Plan

FCD
: Flood Control and Drainage

FCDI
: Flood Control, Drainage and Irrigation

FFD
: Farmer Field Day

FFS
: Farmers' Field School

FGD
: Focus Group Discussion

FO
: FFS Organiser

FT
: Farmer Trainer

FY
: Financial Year

GAP
: Gender Action Plan

GDP
: Gross domestic product

GED
: General Economics Division

GESAP
: Gender Equality Strategy and Action Plan (of BWDB)

GIS
: Geographic Information Systems

GLD
: Gender and Leadership Development (training)

GoB
: Government of Bangladesh

GoN
: Government of the Netherlands

GPWM
: Guidelines for Participatory Water Management

ha
: hectare

HH
: Household

HL
: Horizontal Learning

HR
: Human Resources

HYV
: High Yielding Variety

IBRD
: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

ICM
: Integrated Crop Management

ICRD
: Integrated Coastal Resources Database

ICT
: Information Communication Technology

IF
: Innovation Fund

IFI
: International Financing Instittution

IFMC
: Integrated Farm Management Component (DANIDA-funded program)

IGA
: Income Generating Activity

IMIP
: Irrigation Management Improvement project (IMIP)

ICZM
: Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) - Assistance to the Programme Development Office of the Integrated Coastal Zone Management Programme (PDO-ICZM)

IMRC
: Inter-Ministerial Review Committee

INGO
: International NGO

IP
: Input Providers

IPM
: Integrated Pest Management

IPSWAM
: Integrated Planning for Sustainable Water Management, GoN 2003-2011

IPSWARM
: (Guidelines for) Integrated Planning for Sustainable Water Resources Management

ISPM
: Institutional Strengthening and Project Management

IR
: Input Retailers

IRRI
: International Rice Research Institute

IWM

Institute of Water Modelling

IWMI
International Water Management Institute

IWRM
Integrated Water Resources Management

LCG
Local Consultative Group

LCS
Landless/Labour Contracting Societies

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LG
Local Government

LGED
Local Government Engineering Department

LGI
Local Government Institutions

LGIs
Local Government Institutions

LRP
Land Reclamation Project

JBIC
Japan Bank for International Cooperation

KJDRP
Khulna Jessore Drainage Rehabilitation Project, GoN 1993-2002

M&E
Monitoring and Evaluation

MFI
Micro Finance Institute

MFS
Market(-Oriented Farmer) Field School

M/F
: Male / Female

MIS
: Management Information System

MLGRDC
: Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

MoA
: Ministry of Agriculture

MOP
: Murat of Potash

MoU
: Memorandum of Understanding

MoWR
: Ministry of Water Resources

MRL
: Monitoring, Reflection & Learning

MTR
: Mid – Term Review Mission

MT
: metric ton (tonne)

NAEP
: New Agriculture Extension Policy

NEC
: National Economic Council

NGO
: Non-Governmental Organisation

NSB
: National Seed Board

NWMP
: National Water Management Plan

NWPo
: National Water Policy

NWRC
: National Water Resources Commission

NWRD
: National Water resources Database

OCWM
: Office of the Chief of Water Management (in BWDB)

ODK
: Open Data Kit

OFRD
: On?Farm Research Division

O&M
: Operation and Maintenance

OMPI
: O&M Performance Improvement

OMS
: Open Market Sale

PBDP 2100
: Preparation of Bangladesh Delta Plan 2100

PCD
: Project Coordinating Director

PCWM
: Polder Community Water Management

PD
: Project Director

PDP
: Polder Development Plan

PF
: Producer Group Facilitator

PM
: Participatory Monitoring

PM
: Progress Marker

PMC
: Project Management Committee

PPP
: Public Private Partnership

PS
: Private Sector

PSC
: Program Steering Committee

PSD
: Private Sector Development

PSSWRSP
: Participatory Small Scale Water Resources Sector Project

PSTU
: Patuakhali Science and Technology University

PWM
: Participatory Water Management

PWMR
: Participatory Water Management Rules (2014)

UMIC
: Upper Middle Income Country

RAC
: Regional Accounts Committee

RDPP
: Revised Development Project Proforma

RF
: Resource Farmers (Farmer Group Leaders)

ROI
: Return on Investment

R & I
: Rehabilitation and Improvement

RMG
: Ready Made Garments

RRI
: River Research Institute

SAAO
: Sub-Assistant Agricultural Officer (DAE)

SAE
: Sub-Assistant Engineer (BWDB)

SC
: South-Central

SDE
: Sub-Divisional Engineer (BWDB)

SE
: Superintending Engineer (BWDB)

SIBDP 2100
: Support to the Implementation of the Bangladesh Delta Plan 2100

SIMT
: System Improvement and Management Transfer

SO
: Section Officer (BWDB)

SRP
: Systems Rehabilitation Project

SSSFCDI
: Second Small Scale Flood Control Drainage and Irrigation Project

SSWRDSP
: Small Scale Water Resources Development Sector Project

SVC
: Strengthened Value Chains

SW
: South-West

SWAIWRPMP
: Southwest Area Integrated Water Resources Planning and Management Project

T&C
: Training & Communications

TA
: Technical Assistance

T-Aman
: Transplanted Aman Rice

TL
: Team Leader

TNA
: Training Needs Assessment

ToC
: Theory of Change, planning tool

ToR
: Terms of Reference

ToT
: Training of trainers

TR
: Technical Report

TSP
: Triple Supper Phosphate

TTAP
: Technology Transfer for Agricultural Production (DAE)

UAO
: Upazila Agricultural Officer DAE)

UAEO
: Upazila Agricultural Extension Officer (DAE)

UNO
: Upazila Nirbahi Officer - Upazila Executive Officer

UP
UPs
: Union Parishad

UZP
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: Upazila Parishad

VC
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WAP
: Water Management Group Action Plan

WARPO
: Water Resources Plan Organisation

WASH
: Water Sanitation and Hygiene education

WB
: World Bank

WBC
: Women’s Business Centre

WEE
: Women’s Economic Empowerment

WF
: WorldFish (CGIAR)

WMA
: Water Management Association

WMCA
: Water Management Cooperative Association

WMF
: Water Management Federation

WMG
: Water Management Group

WMGs
: Water Management Groups

WMIP
: Water Management Improvement Project, World Bank 2008-2015

WMO
: Water Management Organisation

WRM
: Water Resource Management

WUR
: Wageningen University and Research Centre

XEN
: Executive Engineer (BWDB)

ZSEs
: Zonal Socio-Economists

Additional Director General

Annual Development Plan

Agricultural Extension Officer

Agricultural Growth and Employment Program

Agricultural Information Systems

Annual Review Mission, the broad objective of which was to secure and where possible further enhance the relevance, efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of the project. ARM members were individuals who were appointed by, and reported directly to, EKN and BWDB/DAE

Bangladesh Agricultural Development Corporation

Bangladesh Agricultural Research Institute

Bangladesh Agricultural University

Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics

Bangladesh Chemical Industries Corporation

Bangladesh Delta Plan

Bangladesh Taka

Business Development Services

Blue Gold Innovation Fund

Blue Gold Program

Bangladesh Haor and Wetland Development Board

Bangladesh Institute of Nuclear Agriculture

Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee (an NGO)

Non-Governmental Organisation

Bangladesh Water Development Board, government agency which is responsible for surface water and groundwater management in Bangladesh, and lead implementing agency for the Blue Gold Program

Bangladesh Water and Flood Management Strategy

Collective action - by a producer group is one way to partially overcome constraints such as in weak markets, where inputs and services essential to production innovations, are generally scarce, costly to access and/or to obtain. Collective action is working in group instead of individually in order to gain economic or social benefit. Through collective action, farmers can address constraints in their market linkages, organise their activities jointly and use their collective bargaining power to reduce input costs through bulk purchase, or to obtain services from buyers such as farm-level collection of produce

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Comprehensive Disaster Management Program

Char Development and Settlement Project

Center for Environmental and Geographic Information Services

Coastal Embankment Improvement Project

Community-led Fisheries and Water Management

Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research

Cropping intensity - The number of crop harvest per unit land per year. The average cropping intensity (CI) is calculated as the total area of all crops per year divided by the area of cultivable land. In its CI calculations BGP treats fish ghers as another crop; the DAE method excludes fish ghers in its CI calculations. Hence the CI calculated by BGP is higher than as calculated by DAE.

Cropping Intensity Initiative: Year-long demonstrations with farmers on increasing cropping intensity related to improved water management, also involving market actors, and by organising demand driven sessions and workshops

International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre

Community-led Fisheries

Community Livestock Workers: members of the community who are trained to provide farmers with

basic health and production support for their livestock

Community Organiser

Compartmentalization Pilot Project (CPP)-FAP-20

Flood Action Plan

Community Poultry Workers: members of the community who are trained to provide farmers with basic health and production support for their poultry

Challenge Programme on Water and Food

Cereal Systems Initiative for South Asia

Chief of Water Management (BWDB)

Department of Agricultural Extension, a department of the Ministry of Agriculture responsible for disseminating scientific research and new knowledge on agricultural practices through communication and learning activities for farmers in agriculture, agricultural marketing, nutrition and business studies.

Department of Agricultural Marketing

Danish International Development Agency

Government of the Netherlands; a donor to the Blue Gold Program

Director General

Department of Livestock Services, a government department under the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock responsible for the livestock industry in Bangladesh

Department of Cooperatives

Department of Fisheries, a government department under the Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock responsible for regulating the fisheries industry in Bangladesh

Department of Planning III, one of three planning departments in BWDB headed by a Superintending Engineer which reports to the Chief Engineer (Civil) Planning to the Assistant

Director General (Planning)

Development Project Proforma: a formal document which sets out the intention of a GoB organisation to invest in a development project, seeking approval for the investment and, if successful, a budget allocation. The DPP follows a prescribed format, including the project's financial and physical scope, benefits, and proposals for monitoring and internal and external audits. The approval of a development project proposal follows a number of stages: formation with preliminary studies, formulation to develop greater detail and with additional information to make the economic case for the project, scrutiny by the executing agencies and concerned ministries, appraisal by the Planning Commission, recommendation for approval by Project Evaluation Committee (PEC), Minister/ECNEC approval, and inclusion of a budgetary allocation in the Annual Development Plan (ADP).

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Deputy Team Leader

Executive Committee

Estuary Development Program

Environmental Impact Assessment

Early Implementation Project

Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the contractual representative of the Minister of Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation of the Netherlands and signatory to the agreement for the Blue Gold Program with the External Resources Division of the Ministry of Finance as the signatory for the Government of Bangladesh

Euroconsult Mott MacDonald

Earth Observation

Expression of Interest

East Pakistan Water and Power Development Authority

Equitable Water Management

Food and Agriculture Organization

Flood Control and Drainage

Flood Control, Drainage and Irrigation

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Farmer Field School - A group-based learning process through which farmers carry out experiential learning activities that help them to understand the ecology of their fields, based on simple experiments, regular field observations and group analysis. The knowledge gained from these activities enables participants to make their own locally specific decisions about crop management practices. This approach represents a radical departure from earlier agricultural extension programmes, in which farmers were expected to adopt generalized recommendations that are formulated by specialists from outside the community.

Focus Group Discussions - in which a group of participants from similar backgrounds or experiences gather to discuss a specific topic of interest, guided by a group facilitator who introduces the topics for discussion and helps the group to participate in a lively and natural discussion amongst themselves

FFS Organiser in the technical assistance (TA) team

Farmer Trainer - Well-performing and capable farmers, previously trained in Farmer Field Schools, who became FFS facilitator themselves after ToT training

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Financial Year

Gender Action Plan

gross domestic product

General Economics Division, one of six divisions in the Planning Commission, with responsibility for the preparation of mid- and long-term plans; M&E of plans; and the determination of macroeconomic scenarios

Gender Equality Strategy and Action Plan (of BWDB)

Geographic Information Systems

Gender and Leadership Development (training)

Government of Bangladesh; a donor to the Blue Gold Program

Guidelines for Participatory Water Management

A process by which the local stakeholders are directly and actively involved in identification, planning, design, implementation, operation & maintenance and evaluation of a water management project.

hectare

Household

Learning from peers; and in the context of Blue Gold, farmer-to-farmer learning in which a host WMG invites representatives from visiting WMGs to witness an event - such as the harvesting of a new variety of rice - to pass on the knowledge and lessons gained from their experience

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Human Resources

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International Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Integrated Crop Management

Integrated Coastal Resources Database

Information Communication Technology

Innovation Fund

International Financing Institution eg World Bank, Asian Development Bank

Integrated Farm Management Component (DANIDA-funded program)

Income Generating Activity

Irrigation Management Improvement project (IMIP)

Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) - Assistance to the Programme Development Office of the Integrated Coastal Zone Management Programme (PDO-ICZM)

Inter-Ministerial Review Committee

International NGO

Input Providers

Integrated Pest Management

Integrated Planning for Sustainable Water Management

(Guidelines for) Integrated Planning for Sustainable Water Resources Management

Institutional Strengthening and Project Management

International Rice Research Institute

Institute of Water Modelling

International Water Management Institute

Integrated Water Resources Management - Internationally-accepted approach for efficient, equitable and sustainable development and management of water resources especially applicable where there are multiple stakeholder interests with conflicting demands.

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Local Consultative Group

Labour Contracting Societies - Groups of usually landless people who are contracted by an agency to carry out a certain type and volume of earthwork within a given time period. For BWDB, the rules for engagement of an LCS are set down in PWMR 2014 Chapter 6

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Local Government

Local Government Engineering Department

Local Government Institutions - Union Parishad, Upazila Parishad etc

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Land Reclamation Project

Japanese Bank for International Cooperation

Khulna Jessore Drainage Rehabilitation Project

Monitoring and Evaluation

Micro Finance Institute

Market-oriented Farmer Field School - Farmer Field Schools dealing with cash crops or other commercial production, such as aquaculture, integrating market orientation. Specific MFS were conducted in the first years of BGP; later all FFS included market orientation.

Male / Female

Management Information System

Ministry of Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives

Ministry of Agriculture

Memorandum of Understanding

Ministry of Water Resources

Monitoring, Reflection & Learning

Mid – Term Review Mission

metric ton (tonne)

New Agriculture Extension Policy

National Economic Council

National Seed Board

National Water Management Plan

National Water Policy

National Water Resources Commission

National Water Resources Database

Office of the Chief of Water Management (in BWDB) responsible for the 'establishment of water user

organizations, their training and participation, in project planning, implementation, operation and maintenance and cost recovery'

Open Data Kit

On-Farm Research Division

Operation and Maintenance

O&M Performance Improvement

Open Market Sale

Preparation of Bangladesh Delta Plan 2100

Program Coordinating Director

Project Director

Polder Development Plan - presents an integrated analysis and planning for a specific polder covering community mobilization, water management, agriculture, business development, environment, gender, and institutions. A deliverable product under the BWDB Development Project Proforma (DPP). PDPs for all 22 polders are available through the File Library.

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Producer Group Facilitator

Progress Marker

Participatory Monitoring

Project Management Committee

Public Private Partnership

Private Sector

Program Steering Committee

Private Sector Development

Participatory Small Scale Water Resources Sector Project

Patuakhali Science and Technology University

A process by which the local stakeholders are directly and actively involved in identification, planning, design, implementation, operation & maintenance and evaluation of a water management project.

Participatory Water Management Rules (2014)

Upper Middle Income Country

Regional Accounts Committee (BWDB) is inter alia responsible for the administration of payments for construction contracts

Revised Development Project Proforma

Resource Farmers (RF) are members of Farmer Field Schools (FFSs). They are selected from the FFS groups to lead other members in organizing different useful collective actions and to maintain networks on behalf of the members. These RFs are given additional capacity building training to enhance their knowlege on simple record keeping and business skills.

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Return on Investment

Ready Made Garments

River Research Institute - a national public organisation under the Ministry of Water Resources, headquartered at Harukandi in Faridpur, with two technical directorates for hydraulic research and geotechnical research

Sub-Assistant Agricultural Officer (DAE)

Sub-Assistant Engineer (BWDB)

South-Central hydrological region, one of the eight hydrological regions covering Bangladesh, with an area of 15,436 km2 including the Arial Khan river

Sub-Divisional Engineer (BWDB)

Superintending Engineer (BWDB)

Support to the Implementation of the Bangladesh Delta Plan 2100

System Improvement and Management Transfer

Section Officer (BWDB)

Systems Rehabilitation Project

Second Small Scale Flood Control Drainage and Irrigation Project

Small Scale Water Resources Development Sector Project

Strengthened Value Chain

South-West hydrological region, one of the eight hydrological regions covering Bangladesh, with an area of 26,226 km2 including the Garai, Kumar and Bhairab-Kapatakhya rivers

Southwest Area Integrated Water Resources Planning and Management Project

Training & Communications

Technical Assistance

Team Leader

Training Needs Assessment

Theory of Change, planning tool

Terms of Reference

Training of trainers

Technical Report

Triple Supper Phosphate

Technology Transfer for Agricultural Production (DAE)

Upazila Agricultural Officer (DAE)

Upazila Agricultural Extension Officer (DAE)

Upazila Nirbahi Officer or Upazila Executive Officer. Appointed head of the civil administration at Upazila level

Union Parishad - Union Council chaired by an elected Union Chairman

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Value Chain Analysis

Value Chain Development

Value Chain Selection

Water Management Group Action Plan - A plan drafted by water management groups; initially as a

formal requirement for registration; later on as a building block for a sluice catchment management plan

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Water Resources Plan Organisation

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

World Bank

Women’s Business Centre

Women’s Economic Empowerment - Economic empowerment is the capacity of women and men to participate in, contribute to and benefit from growth processes in ways that recognise the value of their contributions, respect their dignity and make it possible to negotiate a fairer distribution of the benefits of growth. Women's economic empowerment increases women's access to economic resources and opportunities including jobs, financial services, property and other productive assets, skills development and market information.

WorldFish (CGIAR)

Water Management Association - In Blue Gold, the polder-level representative of WMGs, and signatory to an O&M Agreement with BWDB

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Water Management Cooperative Association

The legal entity for a Water Management Organisation under registry by the Department of Cooperatives

Water Management Federation - The organization of local stakeholders at the apex level of the water resource project/sub-project/scheme

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Water Management Group - The basic organizational unit in Blue Gold representing local stakeholders from a hydrological or social unit (para/village). Through Blue Gold, 511 WMGs have been formed and registered. The average WMG covers an area of around 230 ha has 365 households or a population of just over 1,500.

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Water Management Improvement Project (WB-funded)

Water Management Organizations - The common name of organizations of the local stakeholders of a water resource project/sub-project/scheme. The concept WMO typically refers to WMGs and WMAs (and/or WMFs) together

Water Resource Management

Wageningen University and Research Centre

Executive Engineer (BWDB)

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Namespaces

Variants

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Blue Gold Program Wiki

The wiki version of the Lessons Learnt Report of the Blue Gold program, documents the experiences of a technical assistance (TA) team working in a development project implemented by the Bangladesh Water Development Board (BWDB) and the Department of Agricultural Extension (DAE) over an eight+ year period from March 2013 to December 2021. The wiki lessons learnt report (LLR) is intended to complement the BWDB and DAE project completion reports (PCRs), with the aim of recording lessons learnt for use in the design and implementation of future interventions in the coastal zone.

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