

Building Adaptive Capacities in Communities, Livelihoods and Ecological Security in the Kanha-Pench Corridor”: The Kanha–Pench Corridor area provides important ecosystem services through its hydrology (watershed for the rivers Narmada and Mahanadi) and biodiversity (two famous tiger reserves forests) and human communities having livelihoods based solely on natural resources, making it vulnerable to any kind of climate change. The objective of the project is to build the adaptive capacity of the community in the backdrop of declining productivity of the land and ecosystem. It proposes to build resilient livelihoods of the inhabitants by addressing the key threats to the region viz. unsustainable extraction of resources, degrading soil and water regimes, insufficient agricultural activities for sustenance and lack of coping mechanisms to the climate change. Royal Bank of Scotland Foundation, India (RBS FI) and Madhya Pradesh Forest Department are the Executing Entities of the project. The project proposes to work towards enhancing resilience of 7,609 households in 56 villages which represent the most vulnerable communities in the KPC landscape with an outlay of USD 2.556 million.

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