

No later than 2 months following the completion of the funded field work, award recipients must provide to the Conservation Fund Committee a short report (in English) detailing:

(1) their proposed objectives;

The objectives of this project are filling gap information about seabird diversity in the island; passage seabird via route of Menui island and southeast off Sulawesi; and sharing results gained to wide audience for increasing conservation awareness.

(2) their proposed activities/actions;

Seabirds survey in Menui island (Southeast of Sulawesi, Indonesia) will be scheduled in wintering most of migratory birds to the southern hemisphere [approximately between October and December 2014]. Project preparation will carry out soon if project funded. Preparing a schedule for comprehensive fieldwork planned in Menui island. Collecting field data record will be done and approximately spend at least 10 days in the field (approximately 2 weeks in total). Trip routes will be planned mostly by boat and on foot or motorcycle. Birds will be surveyed visually using binocular and monocular. The birds and habitats will be documented using digital cameras. All location coordinates will be documented using GPS. The bird survey will usually be conducted early in the morning and in the afternoon. Seabirds and other birds will be identified directly using Mackinnon *et al.* 1998 field guide "*Burung-Burung di Sumatera, Kalimantan, Jawa dan Bali*" (Birds of Sumatra, Kalimantan, Java and Bali). Additional information will be collected through interviews with local people, fishermen, possible bird hunters and traders. Preliminary questions will be asked of all interviewees, with follow up questions to interviewees who appeared to have good knowledge of birds. Comprehensive interviews will be conducted only for people having obvious knowledge on bird species. All data from the various sites will be noted to give reflection on information of historical or recent population view from local people, recent condition of habitats, threats for seabirds and other birds, and other aspects of seabirds in Menui island, Southeast off Sulawesi, Indonesia.

(3) their actual activities/actions;

- Received fund from PSG: 12 November 2014
- Preparing and arranging fieldwork: 12 Nov-13 Dec 2014
- From Palembang (Sumatra to Southeast Sulawesi): 14 Dec
- Meet partners and preparing logistic and transportation: 15-17
- Fieldwork (seabird survey) in Menui island: 18-22 Dec 2014
- Return to Kendari, manage a fieldwork to Wawonii & Saponda island: 22-23 Dec 2014
- Fieldwork (seabird survey) in Wawonii & Saponda island: 24-28 Dec
- Return from Kendari to Palembang: 29-30 Dec 2014

(4) their subjective/objective evaluation of the effectiveness of their actions in conserving seabirds, including detailed quantitative information, when possible (e.g., "discovered and censused XX seabird colonies," with numbers of each bird species and locations of seabird colonies provided in the report);

Visit to Menui island (SE off Sulawesi) is a milestone in Indonesian ornithology, because the island has never been visited previously for ornithological exploration. Previous information from local fishermen in Kendari (SE Sulawesi) stated that Menui island is a possible good

site for seabirds habitat. However, our visit for seabird survey in this island may be not fully satisfied, because the island is not a hotspot of seabird colonies. Our interviewee with local people who mainly fishermen (who conducting fishing up to few weeks or few months in the sea) suitable with previous references that breeding colonies of sea bird nearest Menui island are few island in Banda Sea (eg. Gunung Api island).

Seabirds recorded during survei/census:

Brown Booby *Sula leucogaster*

50 birds at ±10 km from SW Menui Island (S 03°40'17.7"; E 122°55'33.0")

18 birds at ±2 km from SE Menui island (S 03°38'18.8"; E 123°10'37.2")

Unidentified Petrel

6 birds at ±10 km from SW Menui Island (S 03°40'17.7"; E 122°55'33.0")

Great Crested Tern *Sterna bergii*

200 birds near Saponda island (S 03°59'05.4"; E 122°45'46.6")

c.20 birds at ±2 km from SE Menui island (S 03°40'17.7"; E 122°55'33.0")

Common Tern *Sterna hirundo*

c.50 birds near Saponda island (S 03°59'05.4"; E 122°45'46.6")

Little Tern *Sterna albifrons*

c.30 birds near Saponda island (S 03°59'05.4"; E 122°45'46.6")

(5) a comparison of proposed and actual expenditures of money/use of donated materials; and Fund expenses:

Proposed Fund

1) Rent a car (including driver fee & fuel) when (during) in Kendari: 4 days x US \$60/day = US \$240

This item for team preparation (after and before) logistic in mainland Sulawesi, before accross the sea visit to Menui island.

2) Rent a boat from Kendari to Menui island (driver & boat) during survey: IDR US \$500
To visit Menui island, rent a boat is a mandatory with 150HP or 200HP engine.

3) Rent 2 motorcycle during field survey: 2 motorcycles x 10 days x US \$10 = US \$200
This item important for team mobility within the island

4) Accomodation in the field (stay at local people home/head of village or homestay): 1 rooms x US \$25 x 10 days = US \$250

This item important for team accomodation

5) Consumption during fieldwork = 14 days x US \$10/people perday x 4 people = US \$560

This item important for team Consumption.

6) Fee for local guide/counterpart: 2 people x US \$10/day x 10 days = US \$200
This is important for Daily substitute allowance of our local guide.

7) Others for small items (eg. batteries, first aid, papers, pens, etc). Total US \$50.

Total fund requested to PSG \$2,000

Actual Expenditures

1) Rent a car (including driver & fuel) when (during) in Kendari: 6 days x US \$60/day = US \$360.

Remarks: 15-17 Dec [3 days], 22-23 Dec [2 days], 29 Dec [1 day].

2) Rent a boat (including driver fee, boat, fuel) from Kendari to Menui island and to Wawonii island (a package) during survey: total US \$600.

- 4) Accommodation in the field (stay at local people home/head of village or homestay): 1 rooms x US \$25 x 10 days = US \$250
- 5) Consumption during fieldwork = 14 days x US \$10/people perday x 4 people = US \$560
- 6) Fee for local guide/counterpart: 2 people x US \$10/day x 10 days = US \$200
- 7) Others for small items (eg. batteries, first aid, papers, pens, etc). Total US \$50.

Total fund expenses from PSG \$2,000

(6) suggestions for further work or improvements to the completed project design.

Our fieldwork and interviewe with local people in Menui island (including Padei island) and Wawonii island show that the island "possible" tentatively not a significance seabird site as previously suspected. Local people who fishing for few weeks or months in the sea said that feeding site/ground of seabird up to 100-200 km of western part of the island (between Menui island and Buru island, of Banda Sea). They reported during fishing it will up to thousands of seabids usually observed with Dolphins searching their prey. They also repeated previous known information that small island near Nusa Tenggara (Gunung Api) as breeding colony of seabird. Suggestions for further work: 1) Seabird feeding ground hotspot reported by local fishermen is located up to 100-200 km to western part of the island. This area closer to Buru island than Menui island. If further survey conducted, the survey could be easily prepared from Buru island than Menui island. 2) Gunung Api island is also known by local people as breeding site as seabird colonies. This island previously known as important seabird breeding colony in Indonesia (De Korte 1984). For visiting the island, it will be more easily from Buru island or Ambon (where they are closer).











