Global Promotion of Integrated Lake Basin Management (ILBM)

- ILEC's Strategy, Challenges and Prospects-

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# What is ILBM?

#### **Ecosystem Services**



#### **16 Types of Lake problems**



# Let's look at some Asian Lake Basins

## **Bhoj Wetlands**

Figure 1.1 GEF-MSP Lake Basin Management Initiative: Project Lake Basins





## **Bhoj Wetlands**



#### Severe eutrophication

#### Heavy metal pollution



Water hyacinth infestation Sedimentation

#### Solid waste pollution



## Bhoj Wetlands





Severe eutrophication Heavy metal pollution Water hyacinth infestation **Sedimentation** agricultural soil erosion Solid waste pollution

## Laguna Lake









## Laguna Lake

#### Eutriphication

- Urbanization/industrization
- Serious catchment degradation

#### Sector Conflicts

- Fishery, Agriculture, Water Supplies, Flood Control
- Operation of hydraulic gates
- Shoreline Enchroachment
  - Political and Jurisdictional Issues

## Lake Tonle Sap

Figure 1.1 GEF-MSP Lake Basin Management Initiative: Project Lake Basins



## Lake Tonle Sap

#### **Threatend Traditional Life-Style**

- Degradation of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems
- over-exploitation of coastal and in-lake resources
- Health threats
- human waste disposal in water and on land







## Lake Dianchi - Issues

#### Water scarcity

• Urban and industrial demand

#### Water quality degradation

- Wastewater discharges
- Diffuse nutrient source
- Industrial pollution
- Severe eutrophication
- Environmental and ecological deterioration
  - Reclamation of littoral zone
  - Soil erosion
  - Lake siltation
  - Fish biodiversity threatened





Lake Dianchi is facing many challenges:







having important implications to others lakes in the world !



**ILBM-Governance** Project Nepal Malaysia India Russia Mexico Philippines

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#### Degrading Global Aesthetic and Cultural Assets

#### Biodiversity loss

- 6000 rivers
- · 3252 Glaciers
- $\cdot$  > 10 Reservoirs
- · 234 Lakes (!)
- · > 23,000 Ponds
- · Marshy lands
- · Paddy fields

·High Mountain: 182 ·Mid Hills: 6 ·Terai: 46

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- Diminishing Livelihood for Ethnic Villagers
  - Deforestation
  - Unsustainable agriculture
  - Soil erosion
  - Exploitative practices

•5% of Nepal's land is under wetlands.





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**Downstream Polulation Centers** 

- Increasing urbanization
- Increasing population
- Tourism development



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Diminishing Tropical Wetlands
 Loss of indigenous species
 Land Use Change and Its Impacts

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- Point and nonpoint source pollutions
  - Shortage of sewerage coverage
  - Need for nutrient removal
  - Agricultural chemicals







## a Global Profile of the State of Lake Basins

Figure 1.1 GEF-MSP Lake Basin Management Initiative: Project Lake Basins



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# Why do all of the world's lakes degrade ?

## Lakes and Basins

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**Chilika Lagoon** 



Lake Xinghai/Khanka

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CHINA



Lake Biwa



Lake Dianchi



Lake Toba



**Tonle Sap** 



Laguna de Bay

## Lake Basins (Watersheds) are Lentic – Lotic Combinations





Lotic water system

Natural lentic water system

#### Artificial water system

#### A Lake Basin consisting of Many Lake Basins

#### **Macro-scale Watershed**

#### Microscale Watershed

Mesoscale Watershed

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Lentic Waterbodies

Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)

Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM)



But they cannot adequately take into account 90% of Earth's Waters !!!

What are missing ?

Unique Features of Lentic Water behaviors Integrated Water Resources Management (IWRM)

Integrated River Basin Management (IRBM)



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# We have to know of the Unique Features of Lakes

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## **Unique Features of Lakes**

- Integrating Nature
   (Everything comes together)
  - → 1. Issues are mostly inseparable
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     (Problems remain long, and
- finding solutions also takes long time)
  - $\rightarrow$  2. Changes are gradual and invisible
- Complex Response Dynamics

(Everything affects

everything else in water)

→ 3. Unpredictable and Uncontrollable

# **ILBM Principles:**

- "Lentic Water System" Principle
- "Change in Resource Value" Principle
- "Ecological Service" Principle
- "Governance Improvement" Principle

### Let's Look at Resouce Values



## What is going on inside the Lake?



### С D Time Hysterysis Plankton Concentration System won't fully recover (or Regime Shift may set in) Time \* в А

### **Nutrient Concentration**

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- Flood and Drought Mitigation Capacity
- Self-purification Capacity
- Health Provisions
- Navigation Routes
- Climate Mediation
- Aquatic Habitats
- Diverse Food-chains
- Coastal Ecotone Buffer Capacity
- Fertile Lands

#### **Indigenous Species**





- Aesthetic and Scenic Values
- Religious Sites and Spiritual Values
- Historic Sites
- Educational Resources







### Without Timely Conservation, all Ecosystem Services may Disappear.



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### **Exploitation of**

Resource

**Provision Service** 

### Loss of

**Regulating Service** 

**Cultural Service** 



### Supporting Service

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# How Do We Manage Lakes?

# **ILBM Principles:**

- "Lentic Water System" Principle
- "Change in Resource Value" Principle
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- "Governance Improvement" Principle

# Lake Features lead to Management Requirements, i.e., **Issues are mostly inseparable** 1. **Changes are gradual and invisible** 2. Unpredictable and Uncontrollable 3. so what do we **Need to do?** and what are the Challenges?

Let's look at Management Requirement 1.

- 1. Issues are mostly inseparable
  - we **Need** to manage....
    - but the **Challenges** are:
- across Political Jurisdictions
- not just Water, but Land and Air environments as well
- with Multiple Policies and Programs

# **Over Entire Basin**

Let's look at Management Requirement 1.

## 1. Issues are mostly inseparable

- we **Need** to manage....
  - but the **Challenges** are:
- across Political Jurisdictions (jurisdictions have competing needs)
- not just Water, but Land and Air environments as well (interactions are often very complicated)
- with Multiple Policies and Programs (implementation becomes quite complex)

Management Requirement 2.

# Changes are gradual and invisible we Need to ....

have Policy and Financial Commitments

# **Over LongTime**

have Monitoring and Applied Studies

Management Requirement 2.

- 2. Changes are gradual and invisible
  - we Need to ....
    - but the **Challenges** are:
    - have Policy and Financial Commitments
      - (the political and economic situations may change over time)
    - have Monitoring and Applied Studies

(politicians may demand quick results with limited funding)

Management Requirements

3. Unpredictable and Uncontrollable



 clear understanding of how People the Nature can work together

# with good Mind, Heart and Brain

Know when to take "Precautionary Approaches"

## **Management Requirements**

## 3. Unpredictable and Uncontrollable

- we Need to have...
  - but the **Challenges** are
- clear understanding of how People the Nature can work together (often policy application may be limited)
  Know when to take "Precautionary Approaches" (we tend to overlook early warnings, and lament over late lessons)

# the Challenges we need a systematic encompass... approach in:



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- Need to management across jurisdictions
- Need to know air-landwater linkages
- Need to introduce multiple policies and programs
- Need to have longterm policy and financial commitments
- Need to have longterm monitoring
- Need Science
- Need "Precautionary Approach"

- How can a balance be achieved?
- How can we attain partial linkages?
- Are there innovative ways to implement them satisfactorily?
- Can we develop innovating financing schemes?
- Collaborative monitoring may be possible and useful
- Integrate science in all plans and programs
- Be watchful of early warnings, but late lessons should not be ignored

## **Question is Governance**

## **Lessons Learned from 28 Cases:**

Long-term policy with strong implementation Sustained financial commitment

Flexible and collaborative institutional arrangements Important participatory roles of citizens and the public

Focused and long-term scientific efforts Well-balanced mix of technologies and policies

## **Question is Governance**



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**Dynamics** 

Long retention

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## **Preparation of a Lake Brief**

("Guidliens for Lake Brief Preparation, downloadable from ILEC Website)

#### **General Structure**

- 1. Introduction
- 2. Description of the Lake (physical, chemical, biological...)
- 3. Management of the Lake and Its Basin
- 4. Major "Impact Stories" of the Lake
- 5. Major Lake Basin Governance Issues (examples provided as a Six Pillar questionnaire)
- 6. Key Challenges to Lake Governance
- 7. References

# Some Examples of Major "Impact Stories"



Voluntary watershed rehabilitation by fishermen wives has been helping shellfish production at Lake Saroma, Japan.





Payment for Watershed Services (PWS) helps, e.g., fishermen involving farmers through Coop in Rupa Lake, Nepal.





We make mistakes, but long and persistent efforts will eventually pay off, as in Lake Suwa, Japan.





Firm but flexible enforcement and voluntary compliance go hand in hand




**Consultative process** for decongesting resource uses





ILBM platform may help gradually resolve even contentious and conflicting situations.





It was housewives who won over detergent industry, and led the "soap movement" in Lake Biwa, Japan.





# "Ecological Service" Principle

- A) Restoration of "RS" would be quite challenging.
   Don't lose it in the first place.
- B) Without "Regulating Service (RS)", "Resource Provision Service (RPS)" won't be sustainable.

We need to work on both.

C) "RS" itself is "RPS" in many micro-watershed communities.

It is the livelihood issue in many parts of the world.

D) Lentic-lotic "RSs" and upstream-downstream "RSs" are interconnected.

We have to work on linkages.



# Change in Resource Value" Principle

A) Long-term approach is needed to address long-term exploitation of "Resource **Provision Service**" of lentic waters. **Payment for ecosystem services (PES) Payment for watershed services (PWS) Development interventions produce values** B) immediately But the value may also be quickly lost. **Conservation/restoration takes long time but** it also has lasting impacts.

## "Lentic-Lotic Water System" Principle

- A) 90% of surface freshwater on the globe is lentic water
   Issues of heartware, dignity, ownership, sense of belongings
- B) Lentic waters imply various life forms, history, culture, attachment, memories, etc.

Peace, poverty alleviation, local biodiversity

# Governance Improvement Principle

A) ILBM governance framework may be illustrated with 6 components, i.e., Knowledge Base – LAKES Making ILBM governance framework functional B) **ILBM Platform – under global promotion Redirecting Global Water Debates C**) **IWRM/IRBM inadequate**  $\rightarrow$  **ILBM to complement** 

# Integrated Lake Basin Management



# **Typical PDCA Cycle**



**ACT Policy Evaluation** 

#### **DO Policy** Formulation

#### **CHECK Policy Implementation**





#### More Sustainable



#### More Sustainable

Level of Sustainability







# ILBM Platforms may need to be developed at micro, meso, and macro levels



# What is ILBM's Role in the Global Water Challenge?

"Lentic Water" perspective has been missing in the global water debates

Globnl Water Resources Crisis → IWRM (Integrated Water Resources Management) :

impact on policy reforms in water resources, particularly in developing countries

Global Degradation of River Basins

→ IRBM (Integrated River Basin Management) : impact on policy and program development in basin management Neither IWRM nor IRBM has focus on the degrading lentic water environment

# IWRM What is the missing link? IRBM

"lentic properties of water systems" on the globe!

Integrated Lake Basin Management (ILBM)

# **Reasons for ILBM** May be IL<sup>2</sup>BM ?

# **ILBM Principles: Summary**

- "Ecological Service" Principle
- "Change in Resource Value" Principle
- "Lentic Water System" Principle
- "Governance Improvement" Principle

# "Ecological Service" Principle

 A) Emphasis should shift from "Resource Provision" to "Regulating"

We need to work on both.

- B) Don't Lose any more "Regulating Service" In many cases it is the Livelihood issue.
- C) Restoration of "Regulating Service" is Quite Challenging

# Restoration needs Nature's Help.

### "Ecological Service" Principle

A) Emphasis should shift from "Resource Provision" to "Regulating"

No regulating service, no resource provision.

B) Don't lose any more "Regulating Service

No regulating service, no livelihood.

C) Restoration of "Regulating Service" is Quite Challenging

Only Nature can Restore.

#### "Change in Resource Value" Principle

 A) Resource value degradation can be fast, but its restoration can take long time.

Lost time is lost money.

 B) Resource value degradation is usually accompanied by invisible environmental degradation

Preservation make much better sense than rehabilitation.

#### Lentic Water Framework

- A) Watersheds are made up of
  - multiple scales of "lentic-lotic" water systems
- B) Lentic water system are most vulnerable, and must have a central role in any watershed management
- C) Watershed management requires decision on appropriate spacial scale (multiple management units) and temporal scale (adoptive management over time)

Governance Improvement Principle
 A) ILBM governance framework may be illustrated with 6 components, i.e.,

 B) ILBM governance framework is important, but there is no"correct" answers,

C) Time, efforts, and money are necessary, though not sufficient, for governance improvement, but...

#### Governance Improvement Principle

 A) ILBM governance framework may be illustrated with 6 components, i.e., Policy, Institution, Participation, Information and Knowledge, Technology and Funding

 B) ILBM governance framework is important, but there is no"correct" answers, transfer of lessons learned elsewhere is imperative

C) Long-term and continuous effort in "Governance Improvement" will eventually pay off

# The Major Challenge is:

# "Lake Basin Governance"

### Outline

Below is a schematic outline showing how each of the training modules are related. You can click a given "chapter" to take you to the relevant documents for a given module. Please also note that for each module, JICA and ILEC have worked with international experts to add new reports to compliment the wide knowledge base generated during the LBMI project. These reports are available either by linking from within the boxes below or by clicking on the list of papers in the <u>Authors</u> at the top of this page.



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