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Global Challenges for Sustainability: Habitat Protection and Plastic Pollution

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Biodiversity in the ASEAN Region

3% Total surface area of the world

18% of all known plants and animals

37% species assessed by the IUCN in the ASEAN are endemic

The ASEAN Region

34% of the world's coral reefs

600 species of hard corals

1,300 reef-associated fish species

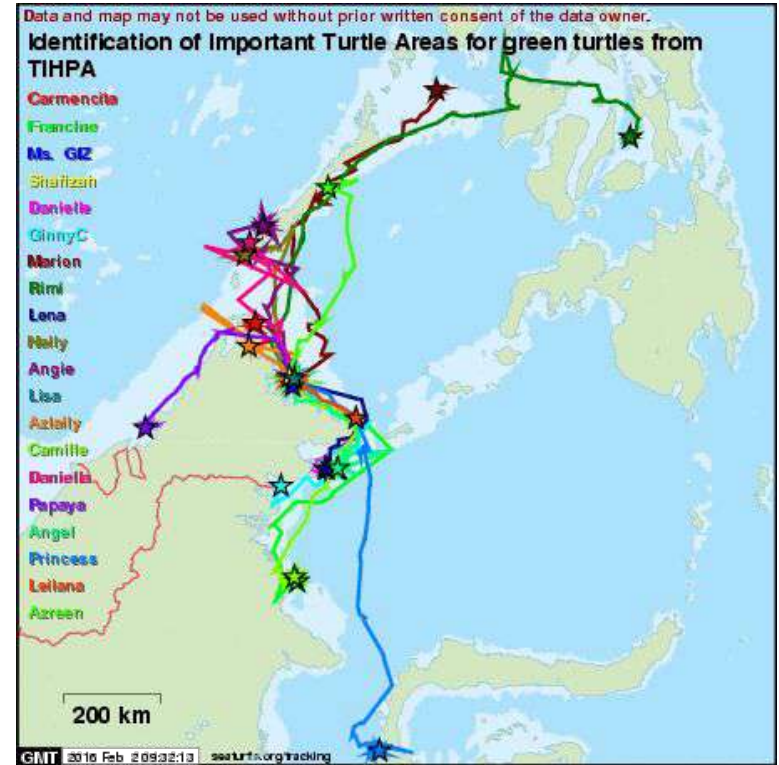
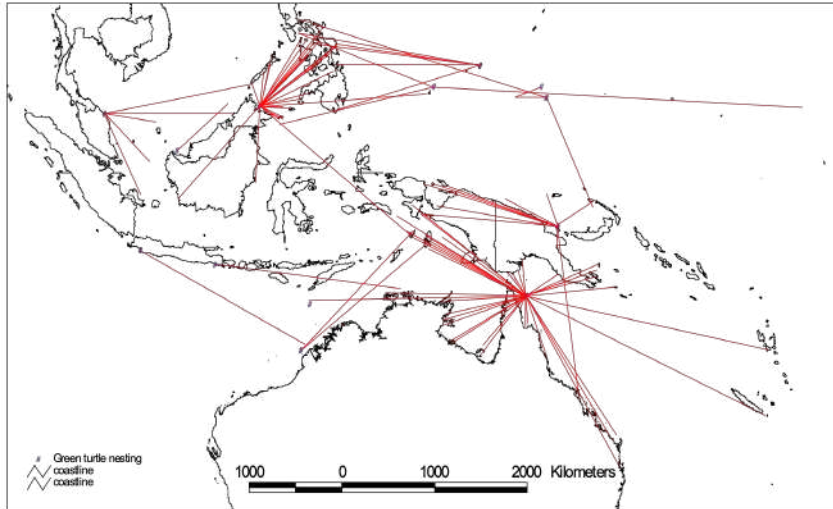
51 of the world's mangrove species

23 of the world's seagrass species

173,000 km
ASEAN Coastline



Marine Turtles & Migration Routes



Marine Debris

31M+ tons of plastic
generated in six AMS



Single-use
plastics
PPEs



← 23% recycled

← 53% uncollected

Source: ASEAN Regional Action Plan for Combating
Marine Debris in the ASEAN Member States (2021-2025)

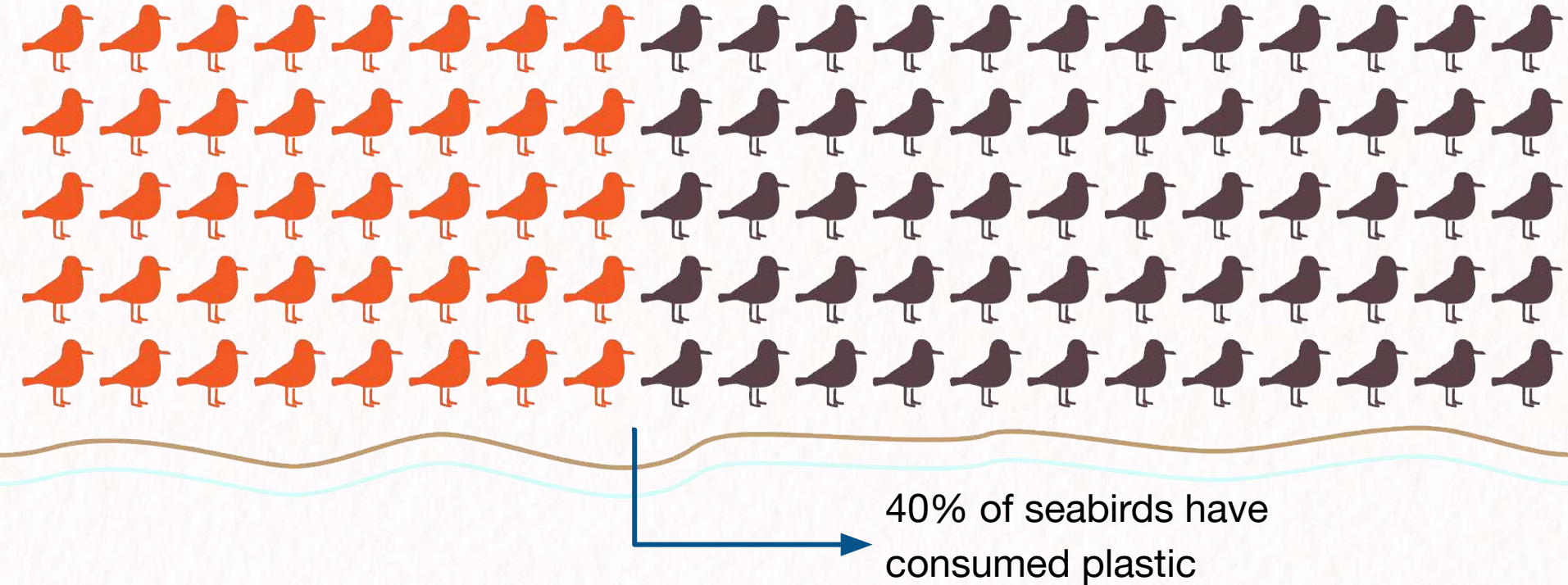
Impacts of marine pollution to biodiversity



Gg01F Rissa
28 June 2008
Trash in stomach

Photos courtesy of Dr Mariel Buccat

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Climate Change and Biodiversity

INCIDENCES

prolonged droughts
destructive fires
excessive rains
extreme storms

IMPACTS

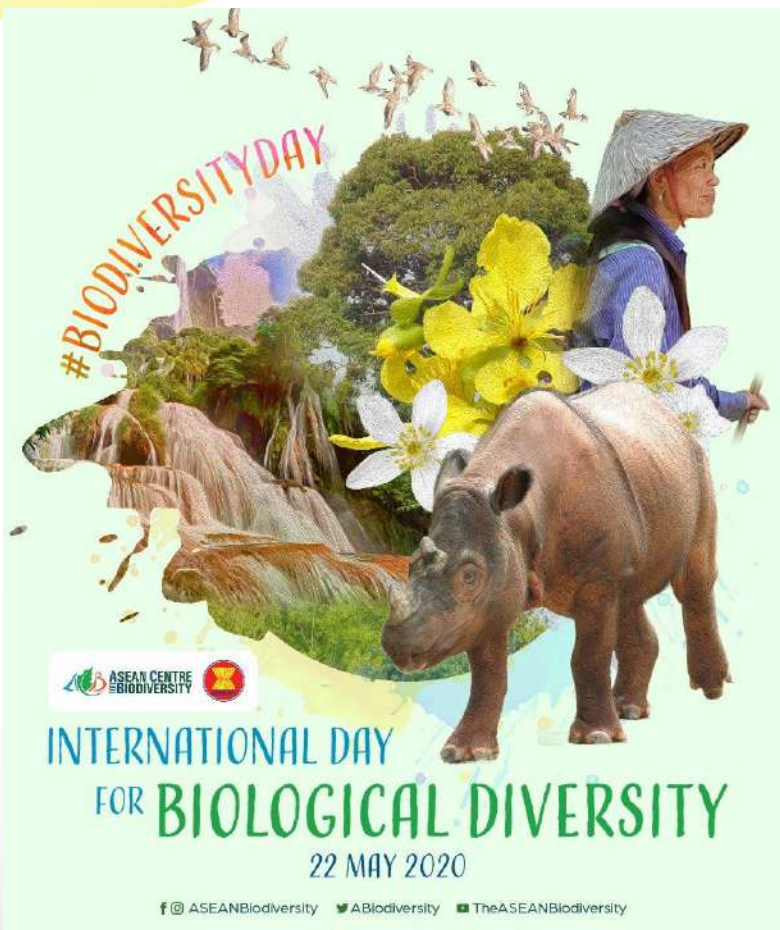
coral bleaching

decline in seagrass meadows and seaweed beds

change in habitat characteristics

larger tidal variation

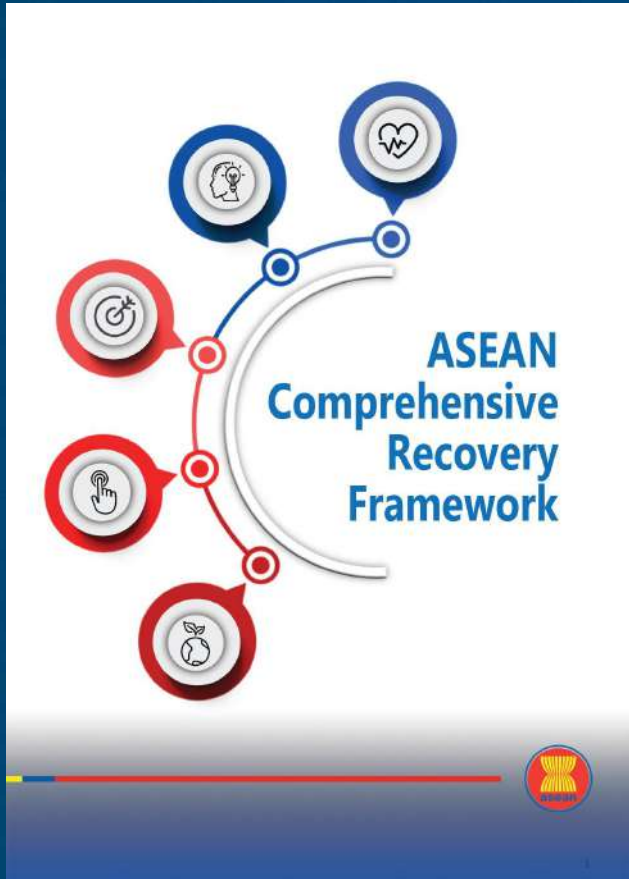
distribution and abundance of some species



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Our solutions are in nature



BROAD STRATEGY 5

Advancing Towards a More Sustainable and Resilient Future

Promote **nature-based solutions (NBS)** to increase the region's resilience towards future pandemics

Promote efforts to mainstream biodiversity across relevant sectors, adopt behavior to address root cause of the pandemic

actions to protect, conserve, restore, sustainably use and manage natural or modified terrestrial, freshwater, coastal and marine ecosystems

address social, economic and environmental challenges effectively and adaptively

provide human well-being, ecosystem services and resilience and biodiversity benefits



NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS

as defined by the United Nations Environment Assembly



ASEAN State of Climate Change Report

Current status and outlook of the ASEAN region
Toward the ASEAN climate vision 2050



Nature-based solutions

an adaptation action that can be integrated in priority sectors such as agriculture, biodiversity, and health, among others.



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Nature-based solutions

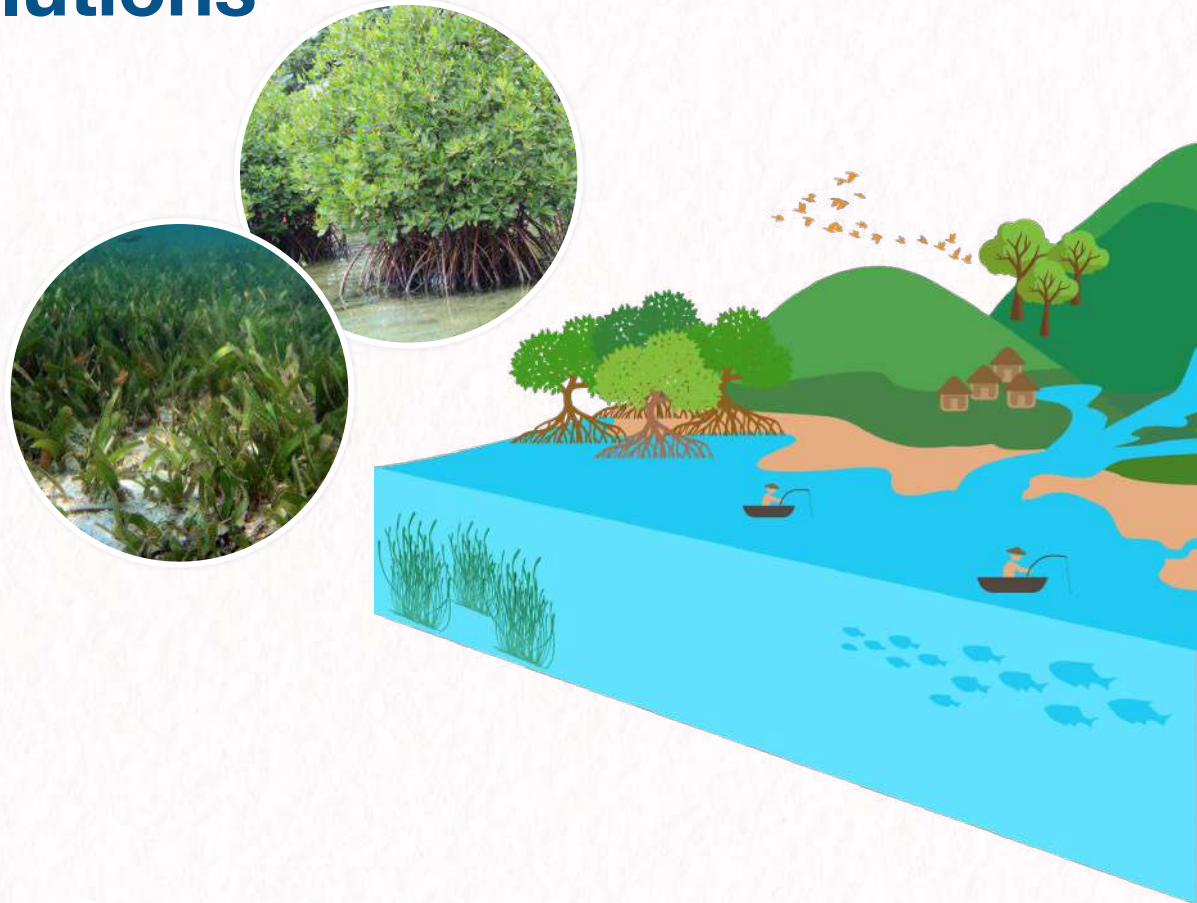
urban forests
forests and wetlands
sustainable grassland
management sustainable
agriculture
changes in food habits toward
environmentally friendly diets
ecological restoration

Nature-based solutions

USD 170M (estimate)

Annual global benefits in ecosystem services from NBS focused on climate

37% climate mitigation
NBS can contribute to meeting the Paris climate goal



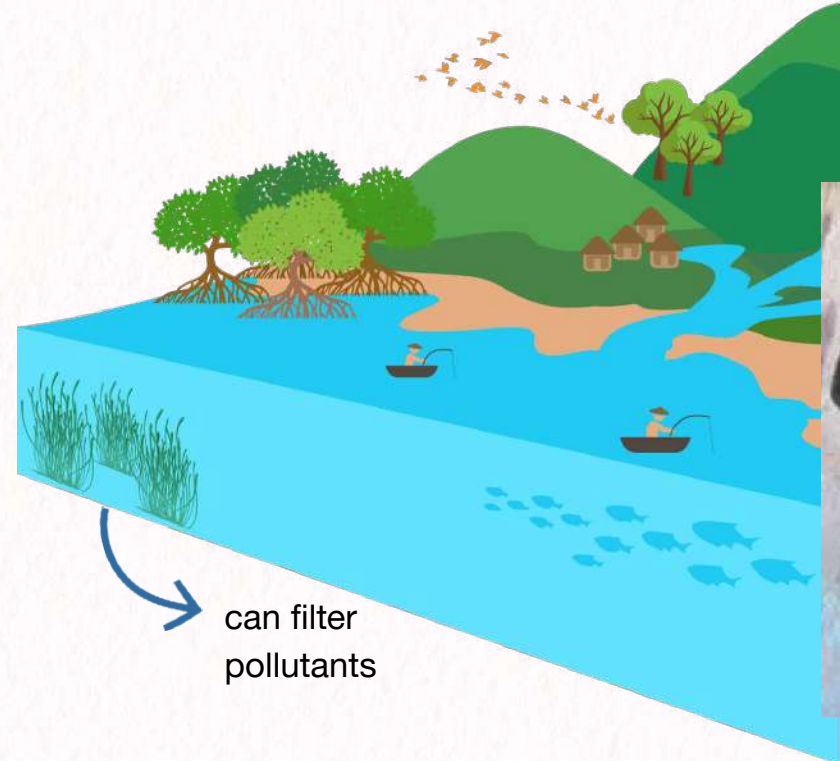
Nature-based solutions



Mangrove forest acting as natural filter for trash



naturally remove pollutants in the water



ASEAN Regional Action Plan for
Combating Marine Debris
in the ASEAN Member States
(2021-2025)

SUMMARY



one vision
one identity
one community



Policy
Support &
Planning



Research,
Innovation &
Capacity
Building

Framework
Components

Private
Sector
Engagement

Public
Awareness,
Education &
Outreach

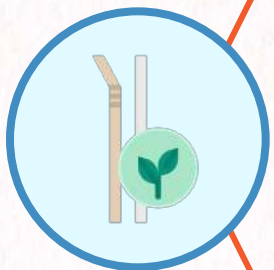




Seaweed as alternative material for plastic (Indonesia)



Cassava straws



Bioplastics



Plastic bans

Indonesia 2016-2020
Thailand 2020

Repurposing plastic towards a circular economy

Philippines' Extended Producer Responsibility Act of 2022, Republic Act (RA) No. 11898



Addressing marine pollution



Established in 2005

Facilitate cooperation among the members of the ASEAN and with relevant national organisations on the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity in the region.





Ao Phang-Nga—Mu Ko Surin—Mu Ko Similan National Park, Thailand



Kepulauan Seribu National Park, Indonesia



Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park, Philippines



Lampi Marine National Park, Myanmar



51

**ASEAN
Heritage
Parks
(AHPs)**

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**Marine AHPs
covering
approximately
1.85M has**

Workshop on Biodiversity Organisation and Management



Park management support, Way Kambas National Park, Indonesia



Experiential Learning Programme for Park Managers

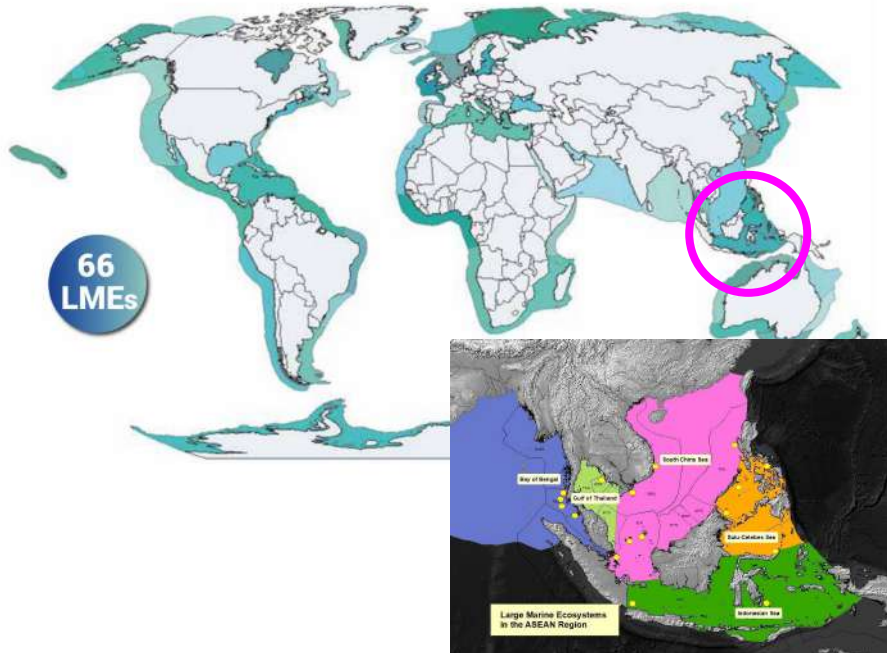


Patrolling, Meinmahla Kyun Wildlife Sanctuary, Myanmar



Networking for regional cooperation

Protecting transboundary ecosystems



- Bay of Bengal LMEs



- Gulf of Thailand



- Indonesian Seas



- Sulu Sulawesi Sea



Spatial Monitoring and Reporting Tool (SMART) Training for Thailand's Marine AHPs



Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park



Other countries



Collection of marine debris by park rangers of Tubbataha

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Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park



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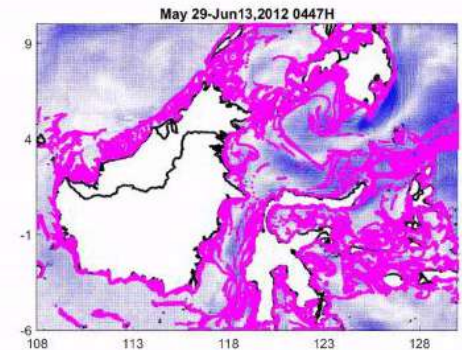
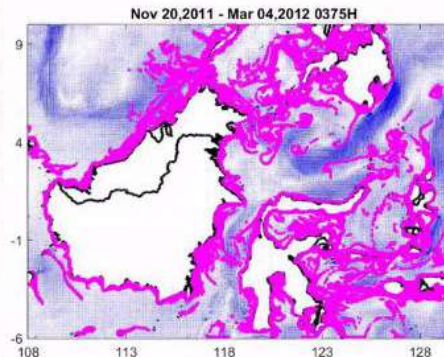
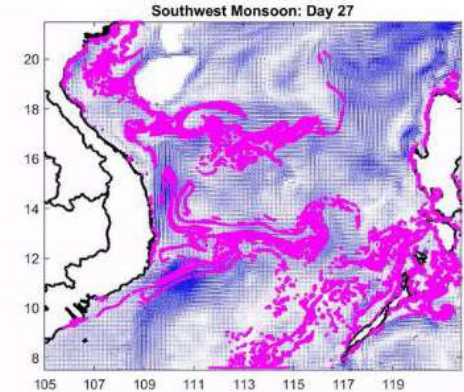
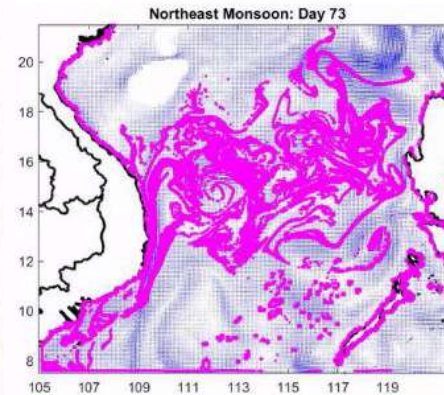
Underwater visual survey of sharks

Photo by David Choy

Connectivity Study

Interconnectivity of the coastal and marine ecosystems in the ASEAN

AMS can agree on cooperation that can mutually benefit their respective marine resources, and the region as a whole.





**ASEAN
GREEN
INITIATIVE**

**At least 10 million native trees
across 10 ASEAN Member States
in a span of 10 years**

Contribute to the efforts relating to the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration through the planting of 10 million trees in 10 years

Including native species found in mangrove and beach forests

Raise awareness about biodiversity and its ecosystem services and values

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