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- "Gaps" in development programmes mostly focused on social and economic activies
- Neglect to recognize role and contribution of community based organizations

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- No proper channel to engage communities
- Communities' lack of awareness and knowledge on the benefits/impacts

SGP Malaysia Projects by GEF Focal Areas								
	FOCAL AREA LOCATION	BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY	CLIMATE CHANGE	MULTIFOCAL	TOTAL NO OF PROJECTS	$\mathbb{Z}$		
	PENINSULAR MALAYSIA	34	4	4	42	V,		
	SABAH	12	2	3	17			
	SARAWAK	6	2	3	11	4		
U/	SUBTOTAL	52	8	10	70			
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Perhentian Community particularly tour operators are more aware of the sustainability of the coral reefs
Engaging them actively in the process together with government departments
Led to the closure of some diving spots
Promoting sustainable management and reducing land-based pollution

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Engaged private sectors and local residents
 Focused on awareness raising and alternative transport options
 However lack of support

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KAPOK – local community initiated nursery & supply sapling
Creating income generating opportunities

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- PIFWA over the past ten years mangrove rehabilitation in various parts of Pulau Pinang
- Have planted with more than 200,00 over saplings
- Work closely with Jabatan Perhutanan negeri and private sector
- One of the good examples

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BARIO – revived a failed project
Supply electricity generated through renewable resources
50 households
Eliminated use of diesel generators
Community management of watershed area

**Outcomes/Impacts of SGP's Interventions** 

- Enabling strong community engagement
- Grants helped to form community organizations
- Increased awareness and contribution among participating communities
- Improved standard of living/income generating opportunities
- Policy implications/upscaling at the national level

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## Challenges:

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- Issues of sustainability
- Upscaling/replication of the results and impacts at national level
- Lack of appreciation/support especially from the urban communities

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## Way Forward:

- SGP strategically positioned to support community based actions
- With increased allocation in OP5 greater financial leverage
- Opportunities to link up with GEF FSP/MSP, national and private sector programmes
- Need to identify potential entry points

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