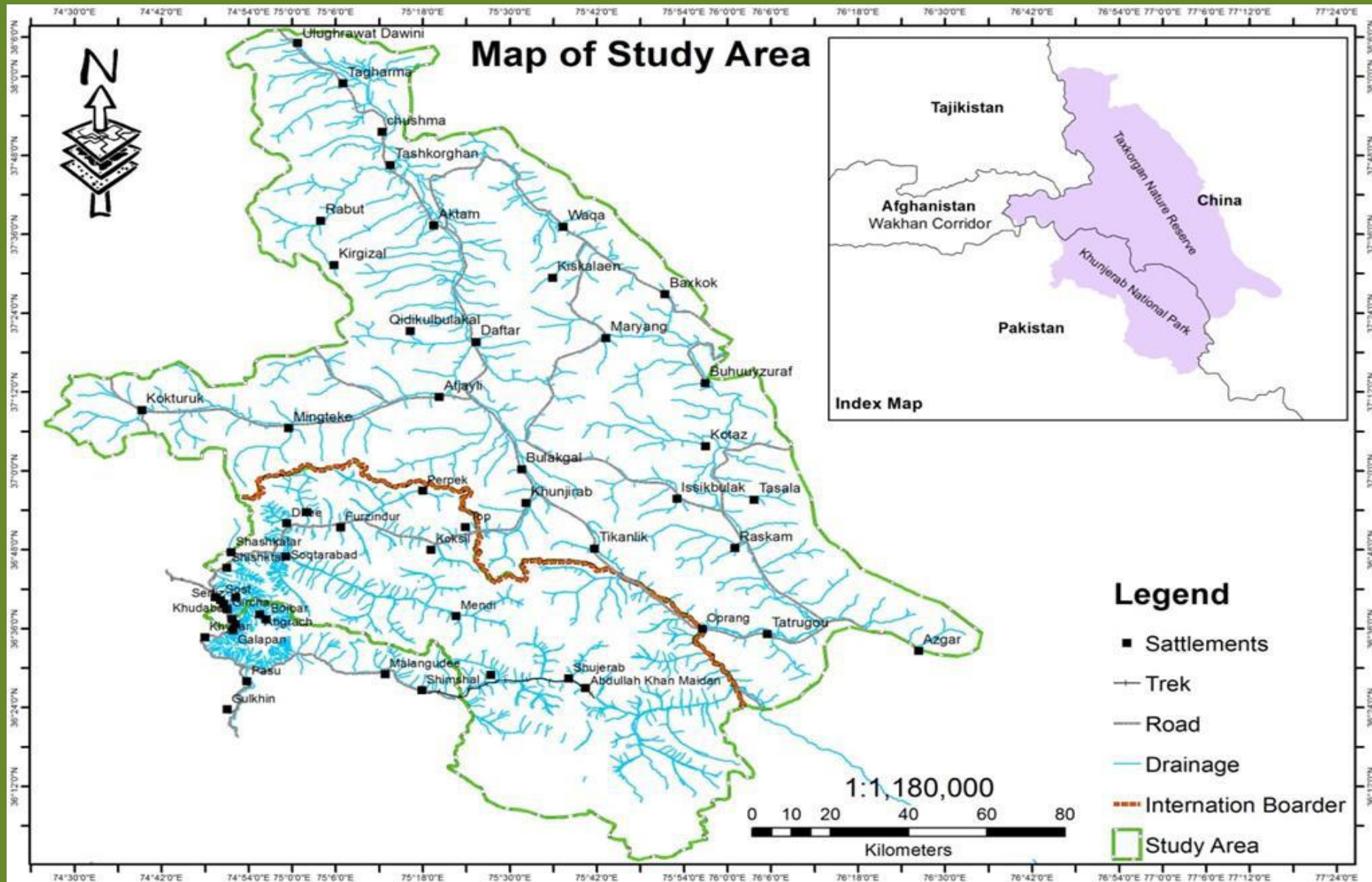


Hindu Kush Karakoram- Pamir Landscape (HKPL) – An Initiative for Alleviating Poverty in Higher Altitudes through Transboundary Collaboration

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Karakoram-Pamir landscape China-Pakistan



- To improve the understanding on biodiversity and climate change science in the HKPL
- To assess adaptive capacity and the livelihoods of people living in the landscape
- To conserve and sustain ecosystems and their goods and services provided by the HKPL through collaborative management

Implementing Organizations

- 1. Forest Wildlife & Parks Department-Gilgit Baltistan
- 2. WWF- Gilgit Baltistan,
- 3. Karakoram International University (KIU),
- 4. Aga Khan Rural Support Programme (AKRSP)

Activities under HKPL From 2013-2016

- Prepared Baseline Assessment Report, Conservation and Development Strategy, Environmental Monitoring Plan and Implementation Plans through local and regional consultations
- Organized trainings, exposure visits and capacity development activities to enable participating stakeholder to be able to prepare envisaged preparatory documents
- Established transboundary networks for sharing knowledge base and data on biodiversity, climate, and other environmental information to support preparation of Results-Framework Document (RFD) and Mid Term Implementation Plan and beyond
- Developed a functional knowledge and information sharing platform for the participating countries

Achievements/Outputs/ Deliverables

- Literature review in HKPL
- Geo spatial work on the delineation and land classification
- Review of Khunjarab National Park (KNP) Management plan
- Feasibility Report on possible bilateral transboundary cooperation between Pakistan and China
- Published book on Yak and High altitude rangelands
- Introduction of Bio-briquette energy in GB
- Support Rangeland policy of GB
- Organized festival at zero point to promote tourism

Way forward

- Continued process of dialogue between Pakistan and China for sustainable conservation for improving local livelihoods ecosystem management
- Suggest mechanisms/networking between local level administration on either side of Transboundary landscape
- Market based value chain development for improving local livelihoods
- Promoting bilateral tourism by involving private sector and local communities under the patronage of the Government of Gilgit Baltistan

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