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Conservation and sustainable livelihood of the natural resource dependent people are important objectives of the present project. In this regard, a breakthrough happened and anglers community of *Dhamani* village and *Borgaon* got water bodies for fish culture.

23rd August 2010: At Manora, a discussion meeting of the local anglers was arranged. About 45 fishermen gathered to discuss various ecological and policy level issues of the fish culture and conservation. The important output of the meeting was that the issues related to fish culture and aquatic diversity emerged. There is ignorance in the government machineries and policies about the aquaculture and conservation of aquatic diversity. Fishermen should unite and there must be district level vigilance group to look in to the matter. In this regard people decided to gather at Washim, district place.

26th August 2010: We prepared a study group and self help group of the 13 families at Dhamani village and 48,000 fish fingerlings have been released in the 5 ha water body.

We prepared a study group and self help group of the 10 families at Borgaon village and on 8th September 2010 we released fish fingerlings in the 4 ha water body.

In addition, we have supported about 15 fish cooperative societies and 10 individuals undertaking scientific fish culture in the area.



Left: Fish seed release at Dhamani Village. (26 August 2010). Right: Birds eye view of Adan river basin. (August 2010).