

Programme Components

Research Activities

- Methodology development
- Knowledge expansion
- Policy-oriented research

Support Activities

- Capability enhancement and institutional strengthening
- Community organizing
- Information, Education, Communication
- Database management
- Networking

Programme Phases and General Time Frame

Organizational Set-up and Research Projects Development (Year 1)

Fundamental or "First Generation" Research and Support Projects (Years 1-3)

"Second Generation" Research and Support Projects (Years 2-4)

Programme Evaluation and Redesigning (Years 3-5)



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The Philippines-Netherlands Biodiversity Research Programme for Development in Mindanao: Focus on Mt. Malindang and Environs



communities living
harmoniously in a
sustainable environment

What is BRP?

The Biodiversity Research Programme (BRP) for Development in Mindanao is a five-year project jointly undertaken by Filipino and Dutch researchers in Mt. Malindang and its environs in Mindanao, southern Philippines.

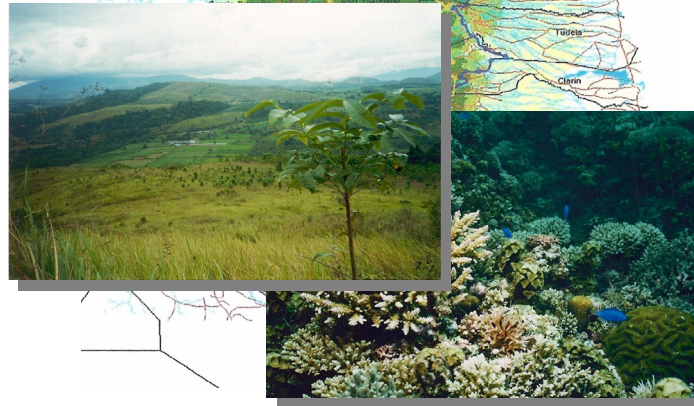
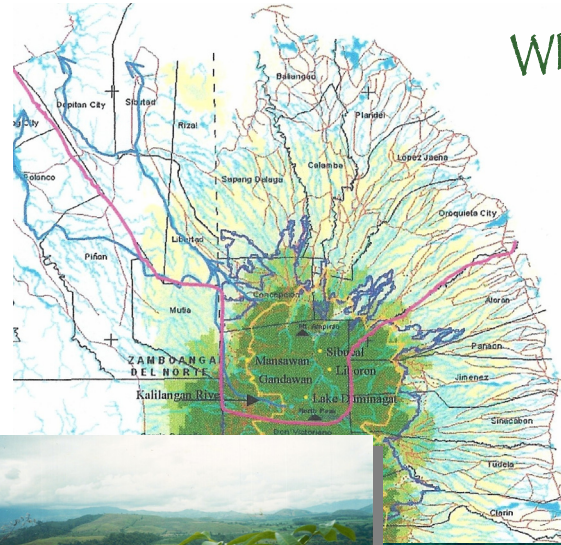


The BRP was conceptualized and developed with the participation of local stakeholders, government agencies, NGOs, and the academe, and is funded by the Netherlands Ministry for Development Cooperation.

Objectives:

- To make biodiversity research more responsive to real-life problems and development needs of the local communities by introducing a new mode of knowledge generation for biodiversity management and conservation.
- To strengthen capacity for biodiversity research and decision-making by empowering the local research partners and other local stakeholders.

MISSION: The Biodiversity Research Programme for Development in Mindanao is committed to undertake and promote collaborative, participatory, and interdisciplinary research that will promote sustainable use of biological resources, and effective decision-making on biodiversity conservation to improve livelihood and cultural opportunities.



Why Mt. Malindang?



Mt. Malindang has unique landscapes and biodiversity which would be valuable to understand.

It has extensive and fairly well-defined water catchments emanating from its peaks and draining to the coastal zones of Misamis Occidental that exemplify the nature and elements of threats to biodiversity management and conservation in the Philippines.

Mt. Malindang is a national park and a priority protected area.

Guiding concepts:

- Location-derived, need-based, and development-oriented
- Interactive and participatory
- Systems-oriented and multidisciplinary
- Integrated ecosystems or landscape-based

The stakeholders:

- Small farmers
- Fisherfolk
- Indigenous people
- Community organizations
- Private sector
- Government organizations
- Nongovernment organizations
- Local government units
- Academe