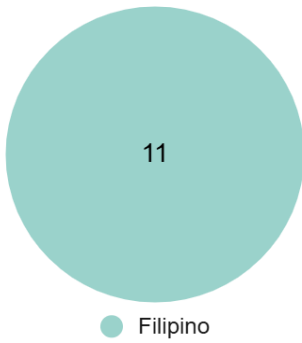
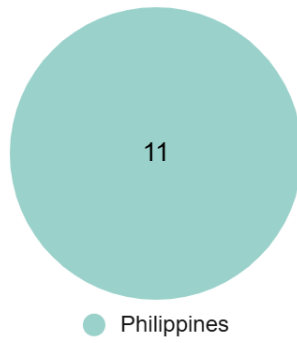


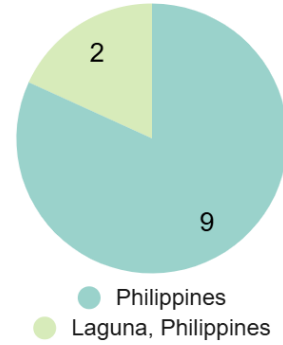
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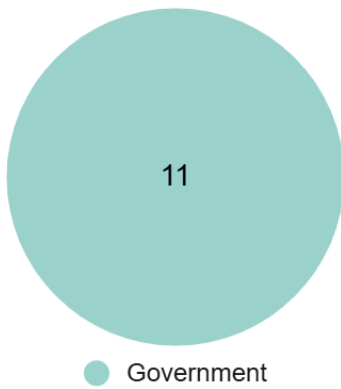
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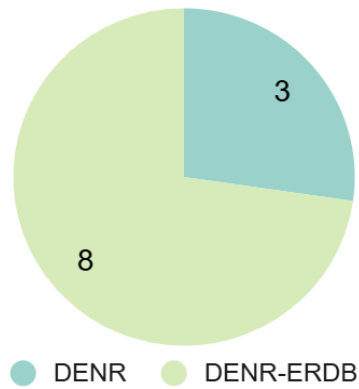
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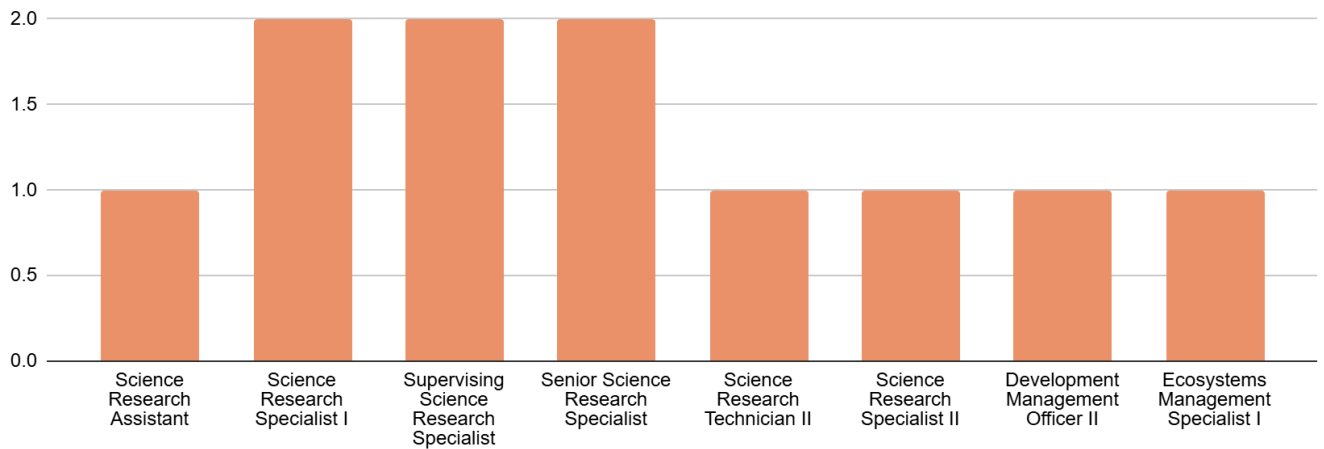
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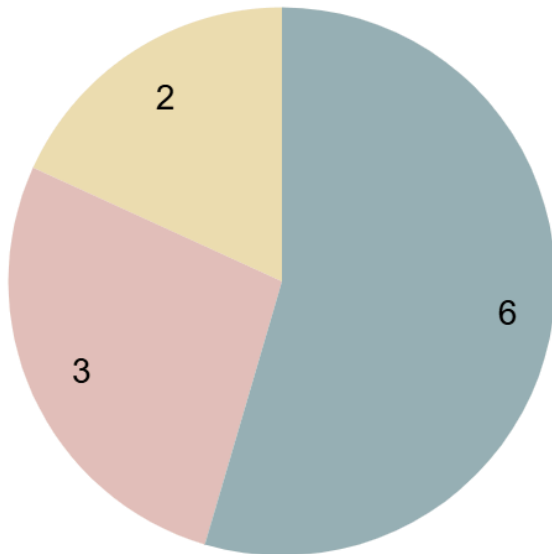
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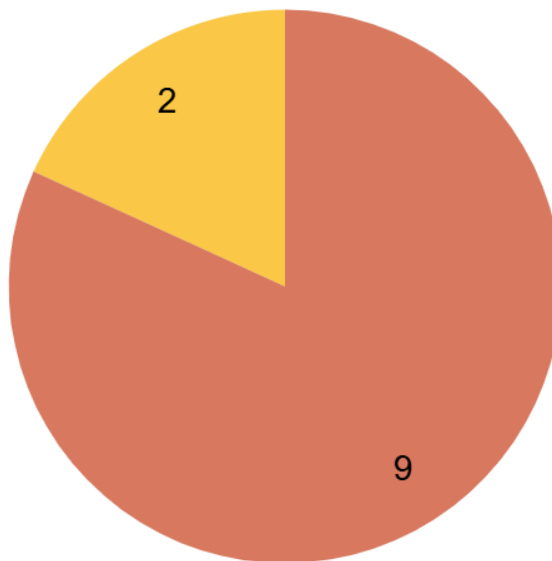


How would you rate your level of knowledge about **natural capital** at the **beginning** of this project?



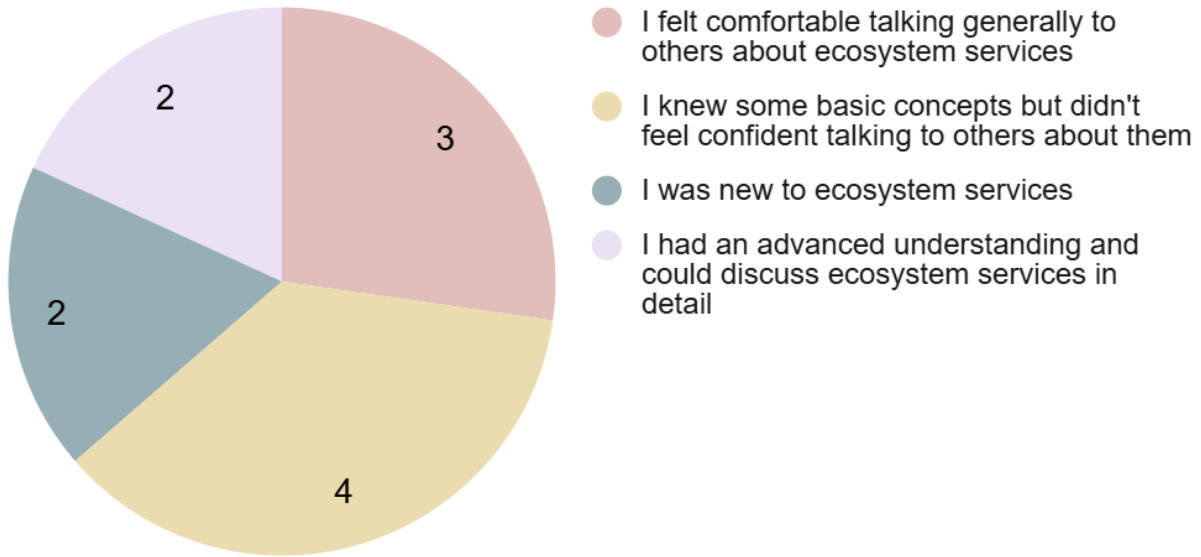
- I was new to natural capital
- I felt comfortable talking generally to others about natural capital
- I knew some basic concepts but didn't feel confident talking to others about them

How would you rate your level of knowledge about **natural capital** at the **end** of this project?

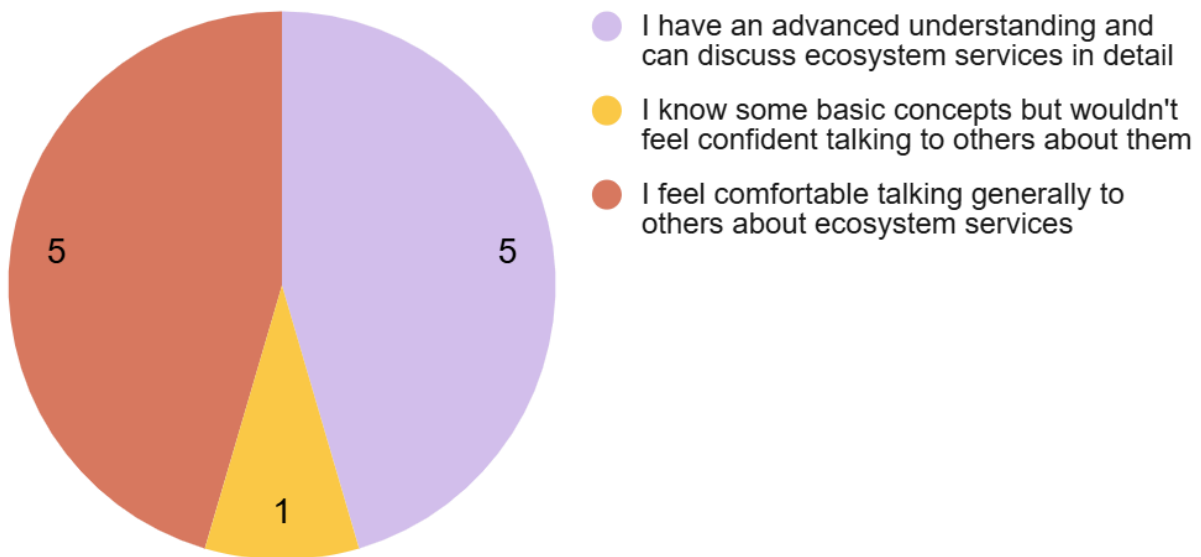


- I feel comfortable talking generally to others about natural capital
- I know some basic concepts but wouldn't feel confident talking to others about them

How would you rate your level of knowledge about **ecosystem services** (often defined as nature's contribution to people) at the **beginning** of this project?



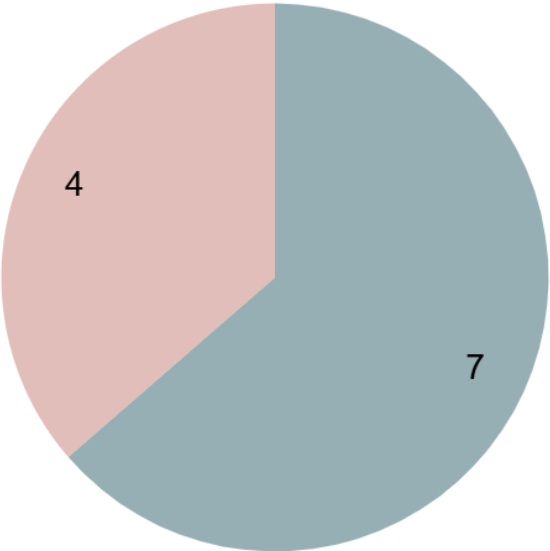
How would you rate your level of knowledge about **ecosystem services** (often defined as nature's contribution to people) at the **end** of this project?



How would you describe a **"natural capital approach" to decision making** (please limit your response to 100 words or less)?

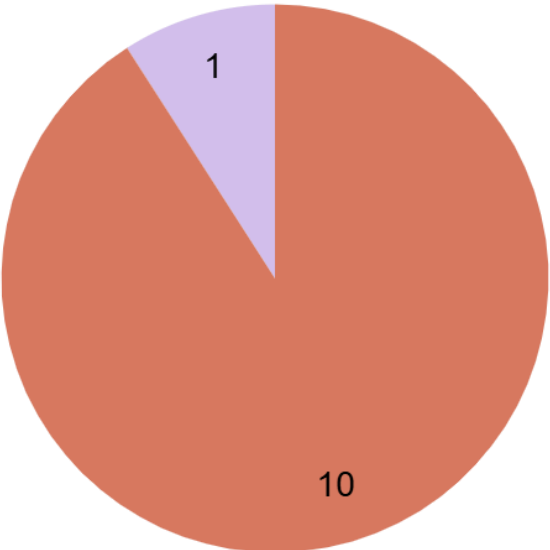
- Valuation of natural resources and its services as basis for decision making to properly and appropriately manage the country's natural resources.
- A natural capital approach to decision-making entails the appropriate accounting of ecosystems services as the foundation in relation with other systems within the different levels of socio-political and environmental contexts wherein the valuation of which shall be the basis in decision-making.
- natural capital approach will serve as the basis especially in the conceptualization and implementation of development programs and projects as every resources will be accounted for. accounting of natural resources will help determine if the development programs and projects are worth pursuing
- The natural capital approach to decision making takes into consideration the valuation of the ecosystems and natural resources. This approach integrates environmental factors into traditional decision-making processes, which have historically focused more on financial and human capital.
- A natural capital approach means thinking about nature's value when making decisions. This approach encourages making choices that protect and preserve nature for the future, instead of using it up without care.
- Natural Capital Approach considers the trade-offs any activity or development would incur to natural assets. It can be used in assessing the effect of any activity or development in the state of the ecosystems and the goods and services they provide, commonly expressed monetary terms. With this, decision makers can make better decision by comparing the benefits to potential costs of any activity or development.
- The natural capital approach is very essential in decision making for it gives substantial information on the current natural resources of an area. This will give insights to where the focus will be in terms of management, conservation, and protection. It should be part of the planning before executing any approaches on the ground.
- Use of natural capital as a key element of consideration (e.g relationships of natural capital elements, feedbacks, etc.) in formulating management schemes.
- The natural capital approach to decision making is a framework that explicitly recognizes and accounts for the value of natural resources and ecosystem services in the decision-making process.

What was your level of knowledge about **strategies for implementing natural capital approaches** in your work or institution at the **beginning** of this project?



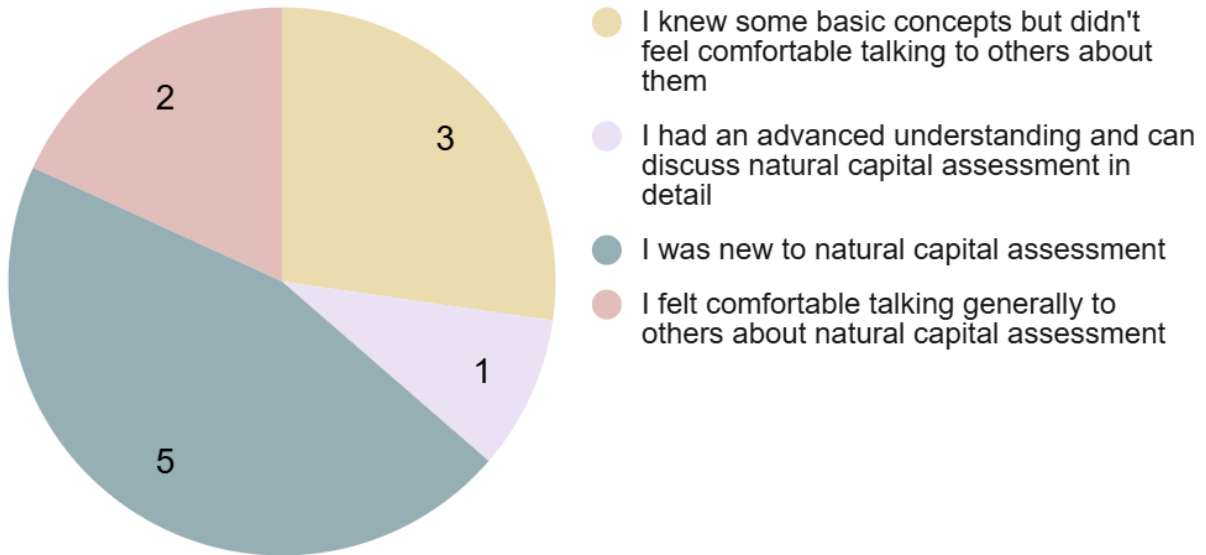
- I had little to no idea how to develop strategies for implementing natural capital approaches within my work or institution
- I was familiar with some strategies for implementing natural capital approaches within my work or institution

What is your level of knowledge about **strategies for implementing natural capital approaches** in your work or institution at the **end** of this project?

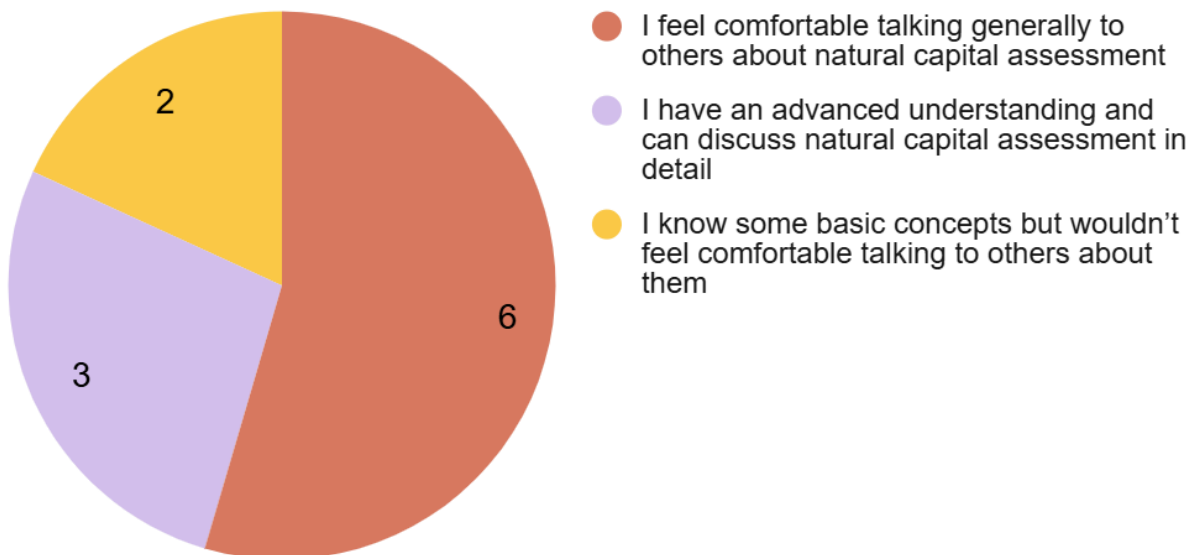


- I am familiar with some strategies for implementing natural capital approaches within my work or institution
- I have a clear understanding and specific ideas for strategies to implement natural capital approaches within my work or institution

How would you rate your level of knowledge about **natural capital assessment** at the **beginning** of this project?



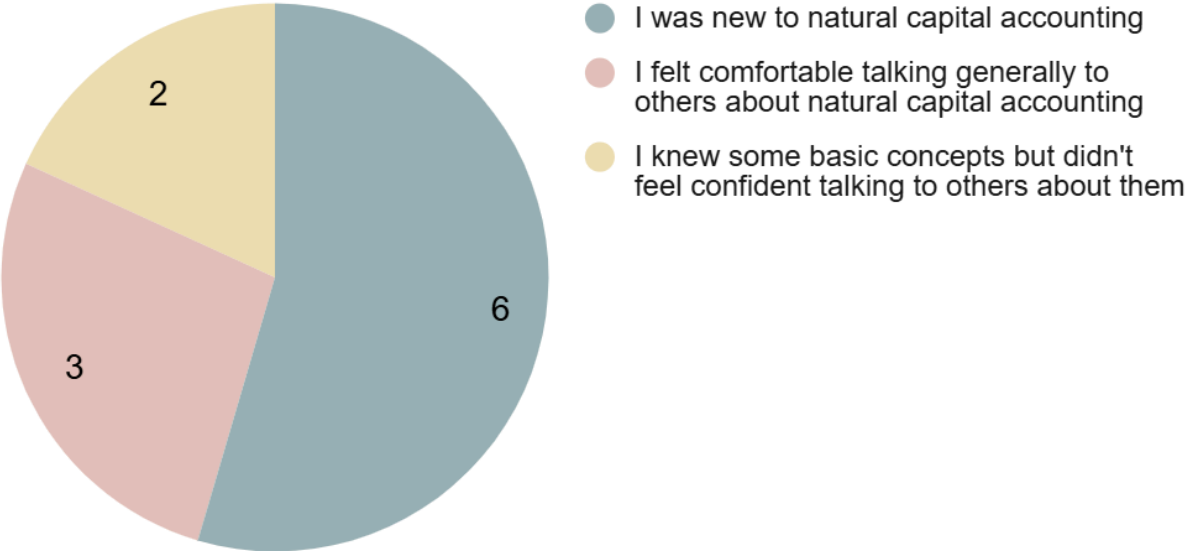
How would you rate your level of knowledge about **natural capital assessment** at the **end** of this project?



In your own words, how would you describe a **natural capital assessment process** (please limit your response to 100 words or less)?

- It is a systematic approach to evaluate the value of natural resources and ecosystem services. It identify and quantify natural capital assets, valuation of natural capital, assess the dependencies and impacts, and integrate into decision-making.
- A natural capital assessment process involves the identification of specific ecosystems services, and creating their accounts, within identified ecosystem accounting units, through appropriate tools and methodologies.
- identification and inventory of all existing natural resources, determine the benefits and uses these resources give to the environment and the populace
- Natural capital assessment process includes determining the worth/value of natural resources and ecosystem services that benefit human well-being and economic activities. This will assist decision-makers in recognizing and quantifying the benefits that nature delivers, ensuring that environmental considerations are adequately incorporated in planning and policy formulation.
- A natural capital assessment process is about evaluating the value of natural resources and ecosystems in a specific area.
- It is conceptually basic, but the process to precisely account for the value of natural capital heavily rely on the quality of data and the tools on hand. Most data are absent, and thus would require resources to obtain.
- The natural capital assessment process gives the extent and condition of the natural resources. Also, it gives the area that needs to be addressed through management, conservation and protection
- Identification (& measurement) of ecosystems goods and services, assessment of their relative conditions and impacts.
- A natural capital assessment process is a systematic approach to measuring and evaluating the stock of natural resources and ecosystem services that provide value to businesses and society.

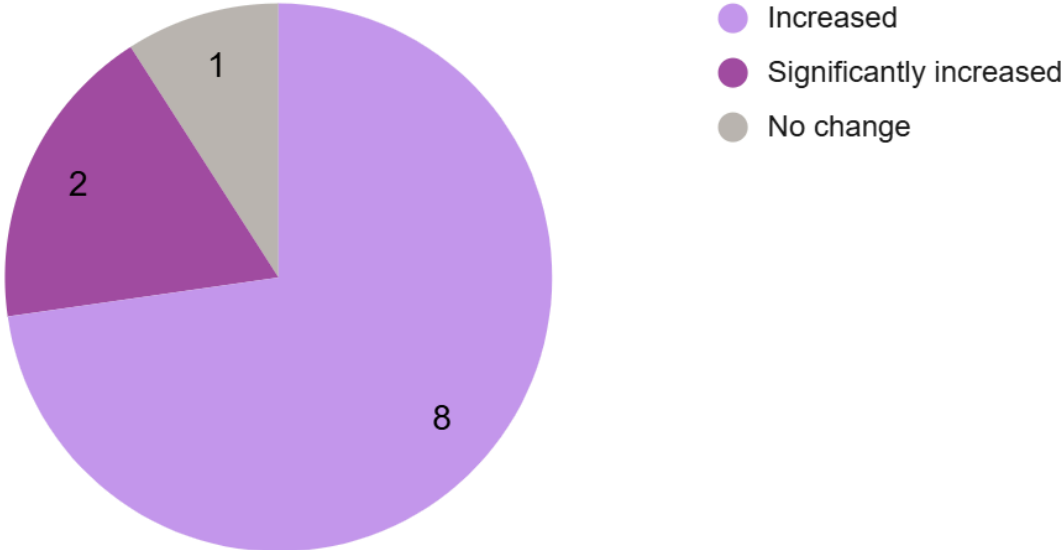
How would you rate your level of knowledge about **natural capital accounting** at the **beginning** of this project?



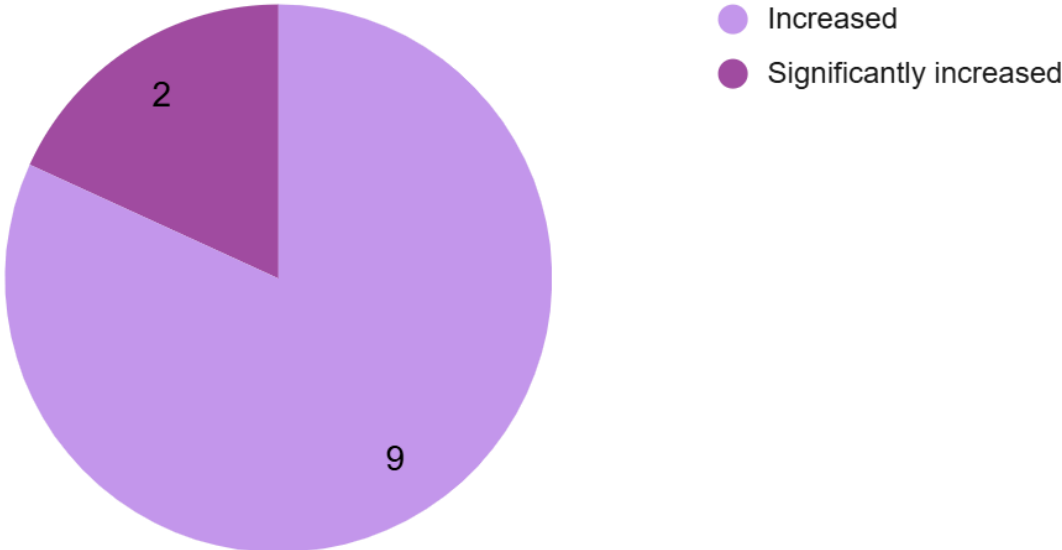
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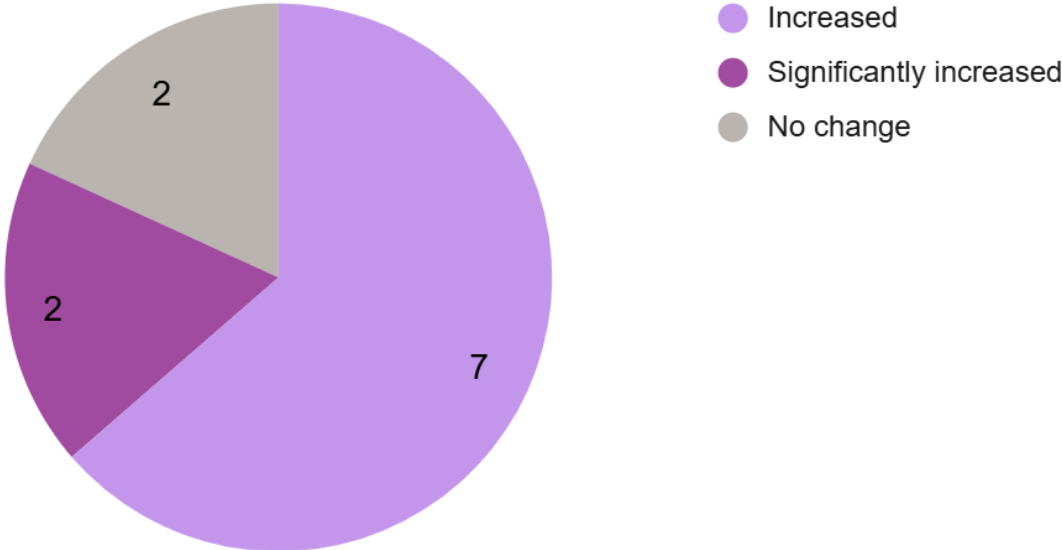
How did involvement in this project affect your knowledge about **using natural capital assessments and accounting to inform policy making** (e.g., zoning, prioritization, land use management, etc.)?



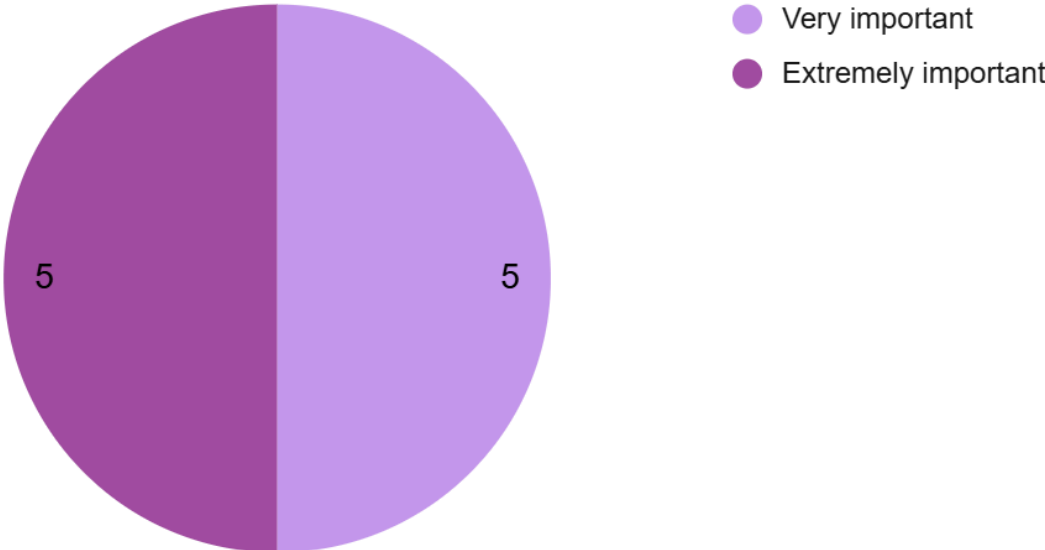
How did involvement in this project affect your **familiarity with examples of natural capital assessments** in your country or region?



How did involvement in this project affect your knowledge of **how natural capital assessments and accounting can be an input** into finance and investment processes?



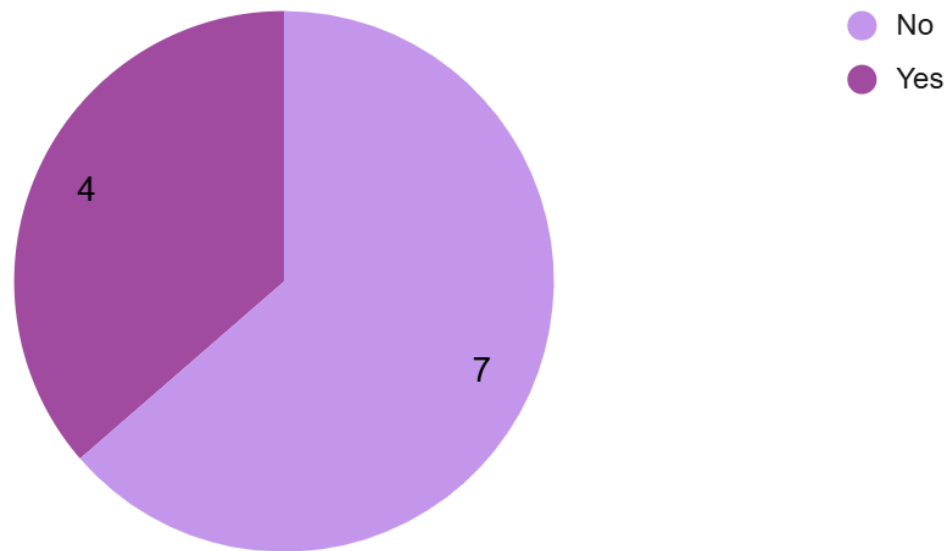
In your view, **how important are natural capital assessments and accounting** for investment and policy decisions in your country?



Comments

- I appreciate the detailed insights provided during the training. The examples and practical applications were particularly helpful in illustrating how to implement the concepts effectively.
- the training was very informative
- thank you for the learning experience
- Looking forward for another partnerships or projects. Thank you for your efforts and knowledge shared. Very well appreciated everything.
- It should play a key role in establishing values of resources, their extraction, utilization and protection. It would dictate what and how much we can utilize, and what needs to be maintained at all times. In this way, it would dictate our priorities, policies and management strategies for our natural resources.

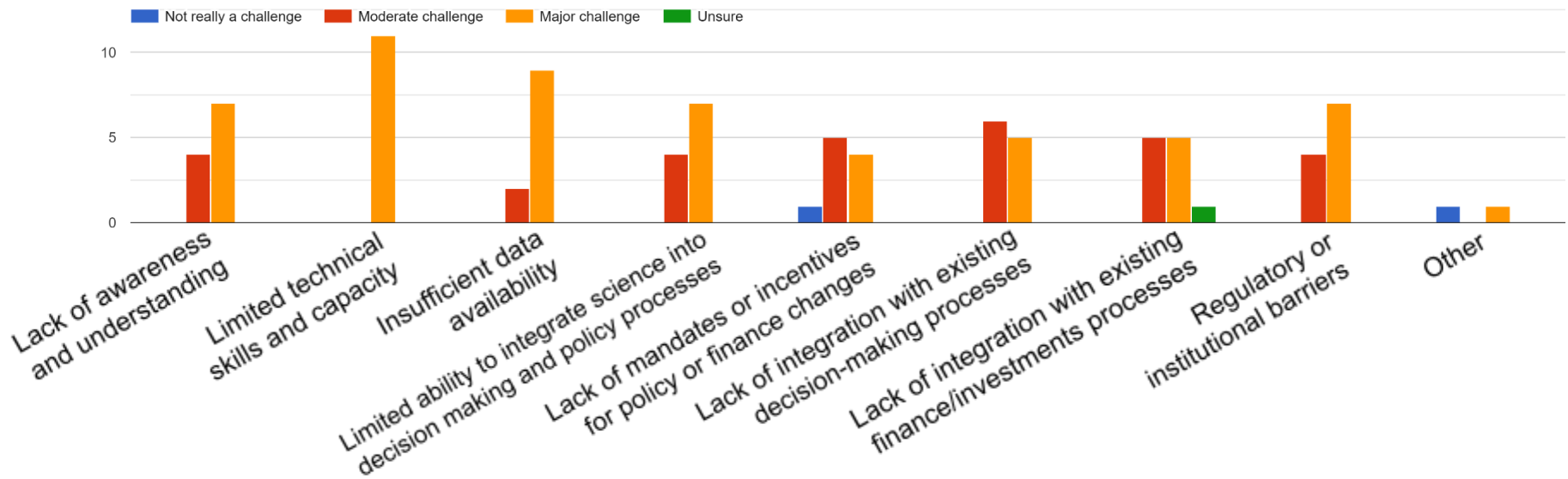
Before starting this project, had you previously received any training or education in natural capital approaches (assessment or accounting)?



If yes, please briefly describe the nature of the training or education you received:

- Applications of GIS and Remote Sensing on Natural Resources Assessment and Valuation
- it is one of the core courses i got during my post graduate studies
- NCA and valuation of ecosystem services
- Coursework; In the agricultural (and biosystems) engineering program, the Engineering Economy course discussed concepts and assessments for resources (both natural and man-made). In principle, these are applicable for various scales of interest. Given this, I was able to apply my understanding of the aforementioned for watershed-level, natural capital accounting, since this is the extent my work currently covers.

In your opinion, what are key challenges for integrating natural capital assessment and accounting into finance and policy decisions in your country or region?



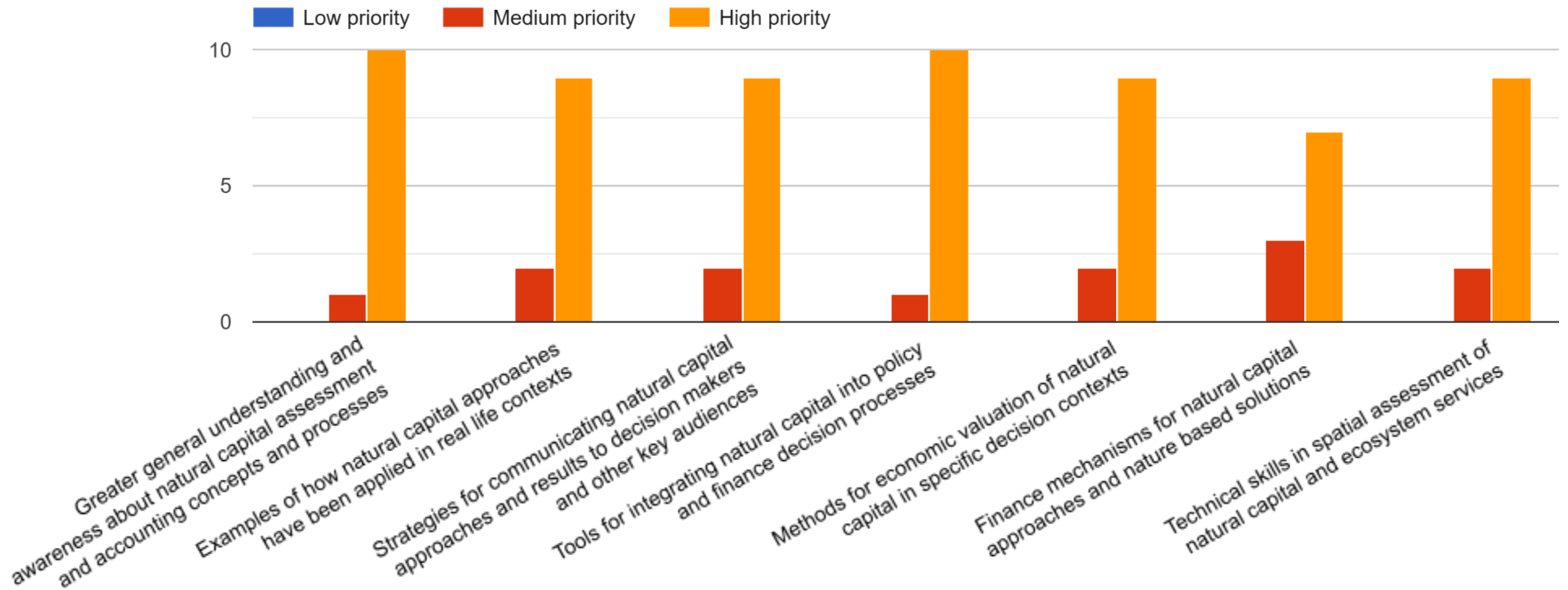
If you answered "Other" above, please describe briefly:

- This includes the seriousness of the government in implementing what needs to be done, and the people's acceptance come changes in lifestyle as part of its cultural impact.

Can you share any current opportunities or requirements for integrating natural capital into your work or institution?

- Integrating natural capital into our work is currently being carried out by our team, specifically to our current project (i.e. Enhancement of the Integrated Watershed Management Plan).
- As a research institution, ERDB has the most flexible opportunities in integrating itself in the entire data flow process, from the sources of raw data, to entire systems. An example of which is the assessment of threats (degradation) as indicators to the sustainability of an identified ecosystem service. It may focus on producing actionable information acted upon from either the identified ecosystems service may extend its influence its environment in the lens of natural capital accounting (bottom-up approach), or by studying how systems influence the ecosystems service itself through management interventions (top-down approach).
- ecosystem services of urban areas
- Valuation of coastal ecosystems
- Science based and evidence based study that policy recommendation will be submitted to the regulatory offices of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- We need to convince the institution to see things at a watershed-level scale. As it stands, studies are focused mostly at smaller scales (e.g. small forest plantation) and disciplines. We need to see their impacts on a larger scale, especially on the ecosystem goods and services level.

What additional knowledge and skills would help you integrate natural capital approaches (assessment and accounting) into your work or institution? For each option, please choose low, medium, or high priority.



Would you like to learn about any other topics or tools related to natural capital assessment and accounting processes?

- The impact of climate change on natural capital accounting and ecosystem services. How accounting for natural capital can support climate resilience and adaptation strategies.
- Yes
- yes
- Yes
- Yes please.
- Other tools (programs) that could simplify the processes.

What resources and support (e.g., list of consultants/experts, tutorials, guidance documents, software, training sessions) would be most helpful for you to gain the desired knowledge and skills you identified as in the above questions?

- Tutorials, guidance documents and training sessions.
- In-depth tutorials on natural capital accounting (data processing and cleaning for inputs in software/tools)
- in-depth training (face to face)
- guidance documents, trainings, software
- Training sessions on coastal ecosystems
- tutorials and software
- Tutorials, guidance documents, software and training sessions
- Continuous support on the abovementioned.

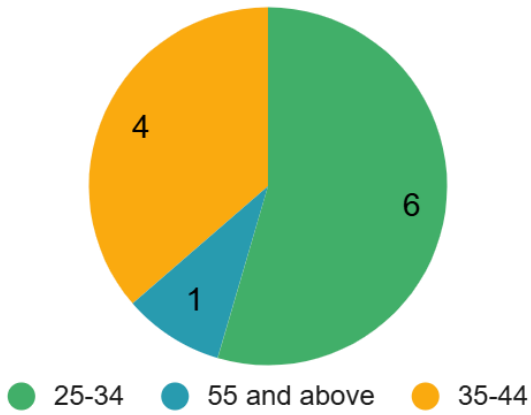
What are a few highlights or successes of your experience trying to implement natural capital assessment approaches in this project?

- I became familiar with the concepts and am able to apply them in our project.
- none
- InVest walkthroughs
- Better appreciation / understanding of stakeholders to that we are doing - from "for compliance" approach to the assessment, to a "this needs to done" activity.

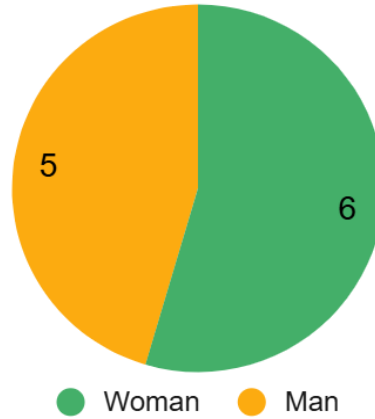
What are a few challenges you experienced trying to implement natural capital assessment approaches in this project?

- Definitely the data acquisition.
- conduct of focus group discussion to identify existing resources
- Data availability, most especially high resolution images
- Not priority by higher ups. Assessment study is less priority
- Lack of data is a perennial problem for the team. Moreover, support of management for studies involving instrumentation needs to be improved.

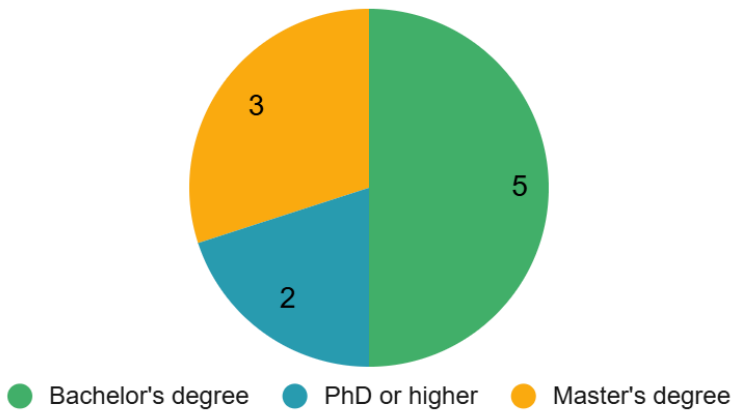
Age Group



Gender



Level of Education



Years of Professional Experience

