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Multi-Stakeholder Public-Private Collaboration to Move PES Agenda Forward in the Philippines

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Phil. PES in Perspective

- Environmental and Natural Resources Accounting Project
- Rewarding the Upland Poor and the Environmental Services they Provide
- Poverty Reduction and Environmental Management
- Watershed Rehabilitation Fund, Coastal Resources Management Fund, Wildlife Management Fund, user fees for PAs
- CDM projects in the energy sector

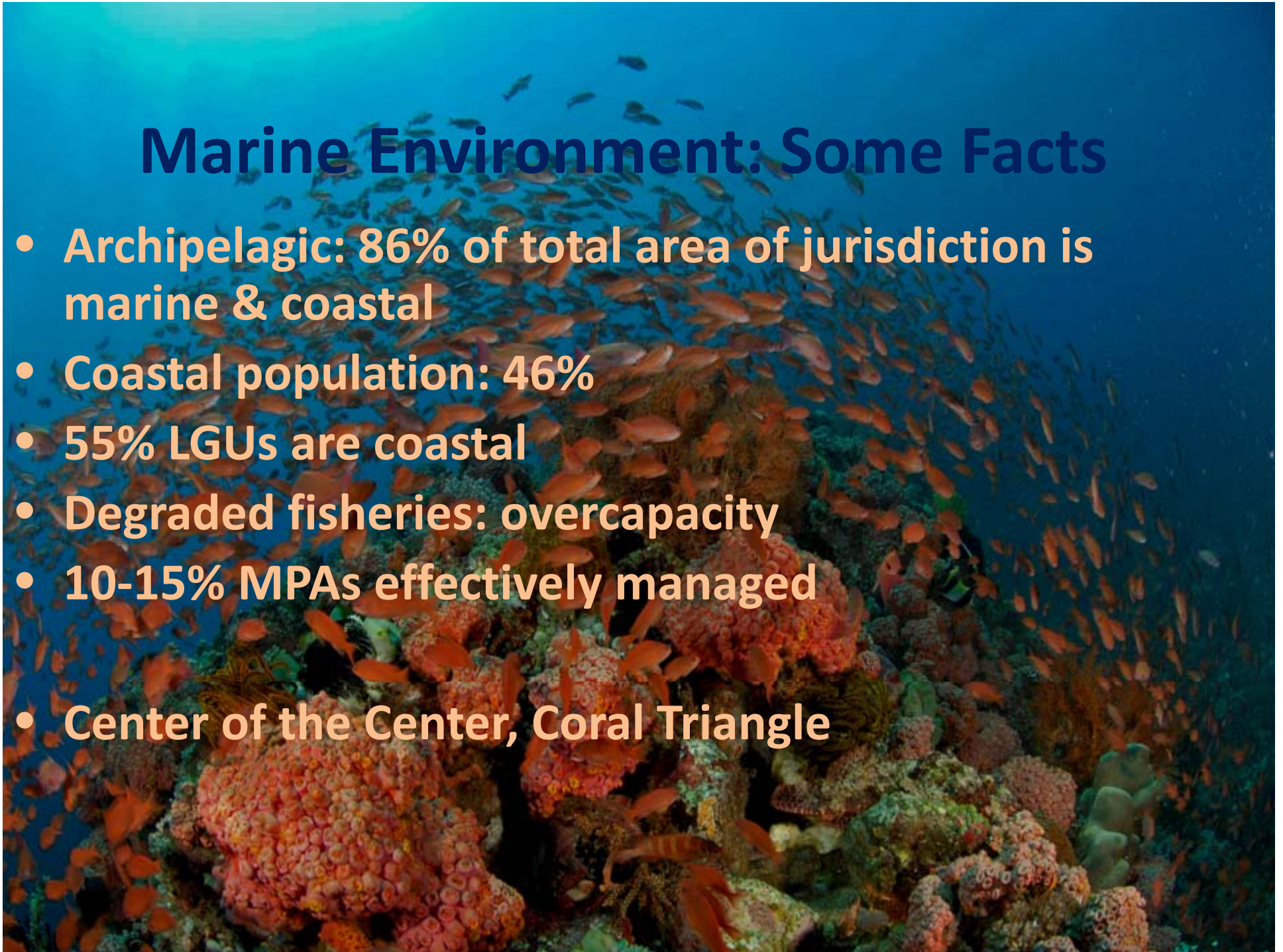


Institutional Landscape

- Forests, foreshore areas, marine waters all state-owned
- Legal provisions for tenure instruments, but few are working
- Lack of critical mass, champions in govt.
- Weak institutions: NRM has not been prioritized
- Population growth: Church politics!
- Peace and order: ecotourism can't flourish in some areas

Marine Environment: Some Facts

- Archipelagic: 86% of total area of jurisdiction is marine & coastal
- Coastal population: 46%
- 55% LGUs are coastal
- Degraded fisheries: overcapacity
- 10-15% MPAs effectively managed
- Center of the Center, Coral Triangle



PES-Technical Working Group

- Harmonize existing efforts
- Gather believers among middle level government managers
- Private sector/ NGO led
- Natural and social scientists involved
- MOA signed after 2 years
- Objective: mainstream PES
 - Draft legal instrument (DAO)
 - Conduct PES workshops
 - Eventually share experiences, lessons learned

Public-Private Partnerships

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Verde Island

Tubbataha Reefs

Oil & Gas Sector

- Partnerships can potentially be transformed to PES schemes

A close-up photograph of a sea fan coral, showing its intricate, feathery structure. The coral is a bright yellow color, contrasting sharply with the deep blue background. The branches of the coral radiate outwards from a central point, creating a star-like pattern. The lighting highlights the fine details of the coral's structure.

MPA Networks

- **Verde Island Passage**
- **Cagayan Ridge**
- **Turtle Islands**
- **Northern Negros**
- **Bohol Marine Triangle**

Donors are for PES

- World Bank: Climate Change, ENRMP
- IFAD: Charm
- USAID: Biodiversity Annual Program Statement
- ADB: INREM, ICRMP, CTI





Coral Triangle Initiative

- PES recognized as a sustainable financing and poverty alleviation scheme in the CTI Regional Plan of Action
- Current ADB-TA designs incorporate PES



Challenges remain, but opportunities abound

- PES-TWG can hopefully:
 - provide the push
 - venue for exchange of ideas
 - network of human resources, knowledge and experience
 - Influence PES growth in the country