When establishing protected areas, coordination on resource usage is essential with the people living within/around them. This training considers the Satoyama concept, developed in Japan in compliance with the Japanese zoning-based management, which aims to create societies in harmony with nature through the sustainable use of natural resources and the participation of local people and the private-sector.

**Objective**

To understand the nature of park management and the Satoyama concept from Japan. To deepen the understanding of effective protected area management and the sustainable use of natural resources with the participation of local people and the private-sector. To develop an action plan related to effective protected area management within the trainees’ countries.

**Outcome**

1. Characteristics of protected area management in Japan (zoning-based/council-type management) as well as priority issues on protection, utilization and administrative management of natural environments within protected areas of the trainees’ countries can be explained;
2. Protection and management of wildlife/marine life in protected areas and measures against alien species are understood, and priority issues for strengthening measures against them in trainees’ countries can be explained;
3. Specific ideas for promoting the concept of Satoyama within trainees’ countries can be explained as a means of buffer zone management for protected areas;
4. Requirements for CEPA activities and sustainable tourism in protected areas are understood, and work plans for the trainees’ countries can be prepared;
5. Priority action plans can be prepared to promote the sustainable conservation, utilization and management of natural environment and biodiversity within the trainees’ countries.

**Contents**

1. Formulation/submission of Country report;
2. Lectures on zoning-based natural park management, watershed conservation, protection/management of terrestrial and marine wildlife, measures against illegal activities related to protected areas, measures against alien species, and policies/initiatives related to the conservation of Satoyama/Satoumi in Japan;
3. Lectures on conservation tools such as the Aichi Biodiversity Targets (including resource mobilization), Biosphere Reserves and World Heritage, the International Partnership for Satoyama Initiatives, etc.
4. Lectures on economic values of ecosystem services including disaster prevention functions, financial mechanisms, linkages with related sectors and resource uses;
5. Lectures and discussions on actual situations of collaboration with local people/private companies;
6. Lectures and workshops on environmental education/CEPA activities;
7. A workshop to learn methods for resolving problems based on cases in Japan;
8. Preparation and presentation of action plans;