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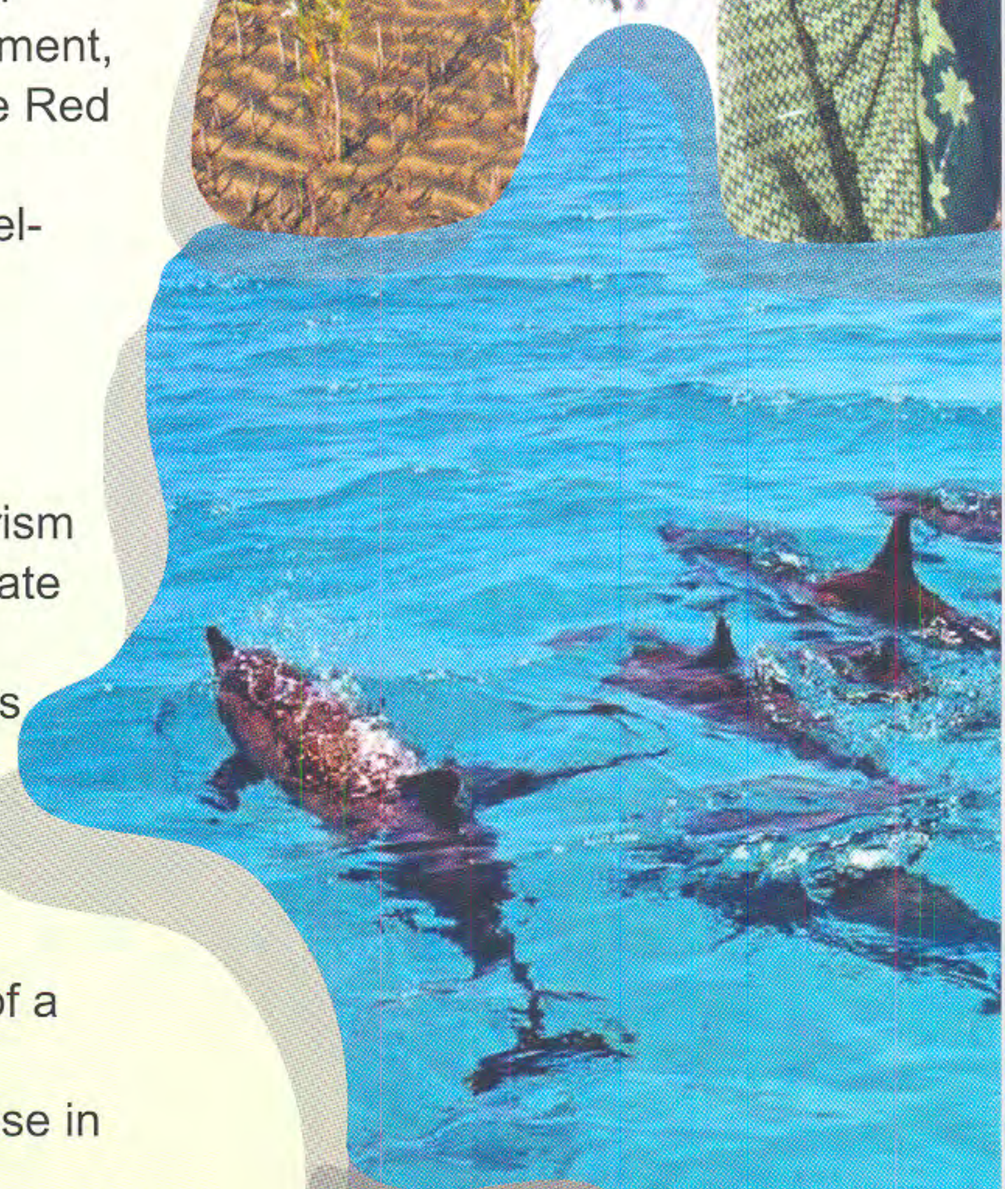
Conservation & Biodiversity

The LIFE Red Sea (LRS) Project promotes conservation and biodiversity through:

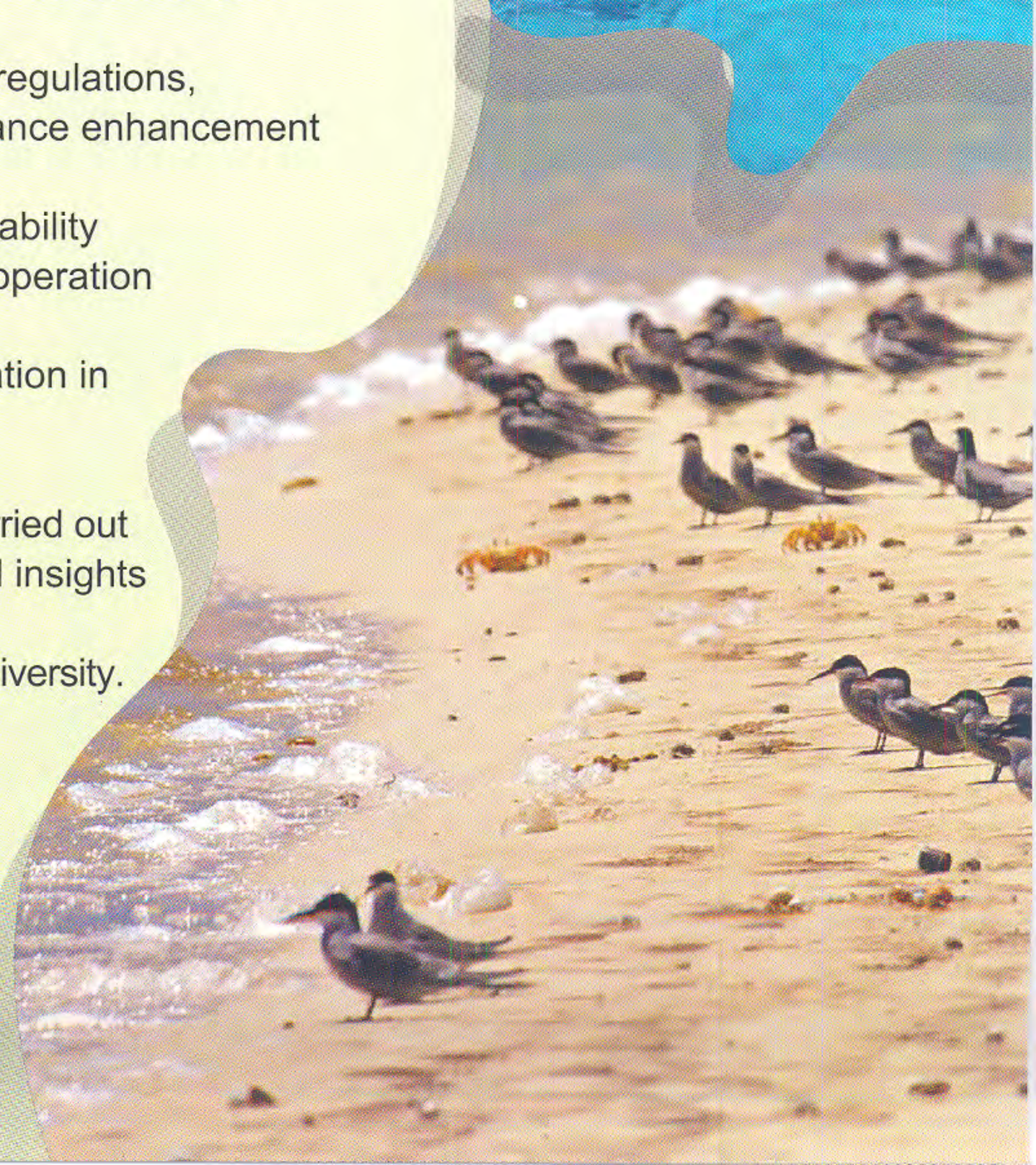
1. Support to park management, monitoring, and research led by the Nature Conservation Sector of the Ministry of State for Environmental Affairs. The LRS Project brings operational assistance and procurement, support to ongoing management, monitoring and research programs, and involvement of the Red Sea Rangers in LRS activities.
2. Activities directed at strengthening elements of the Wadi el-Gemal National Park (WGNP) structure and operations.

Specific activities facilitated by the Project include:

- Support for database management and GIS capacity development for the Red Sea Protectorate (RSP),the Tourism Development Authority (TDA) and the Red Sea Governorate GIS Units
- Development of monitoring programs for sensitive habitats and for endangered species
- Development of site interventions for Wadi el-Gemal Island as a Sooty Falcon Reserve
- Reclamation of driving trails in WGNP and development of a signage plan
- Maintenance of vehicle and boat transportation for RSP use in conservation monitoring and enforcement
- Technical advise to the RSP on assessment, regulations, concessions, and other capacity and performance enhancement issues
- Planning for revenue management for sustainability
- Assistance to RSP Rangers in mooring buoy operation and maintenance
- Environmental awareness and public participation in conservation.



A Programmatic Environmental Assessment was carried out early on. During that process, useful information and insights about the Southern Red Sea region was collected—a valuable resource for conservation of biodiversity.



Partners and stakeholders include: the Egyptian Environmental Affairs Agency (EEAA), EEAA's Natural Conservation Sector (NCS), the Red Sea Governorate (RSG), the Tourism Development Authority (TDA), and the Hurghada Environmental Protection and Conservation Association (HEPCA)