

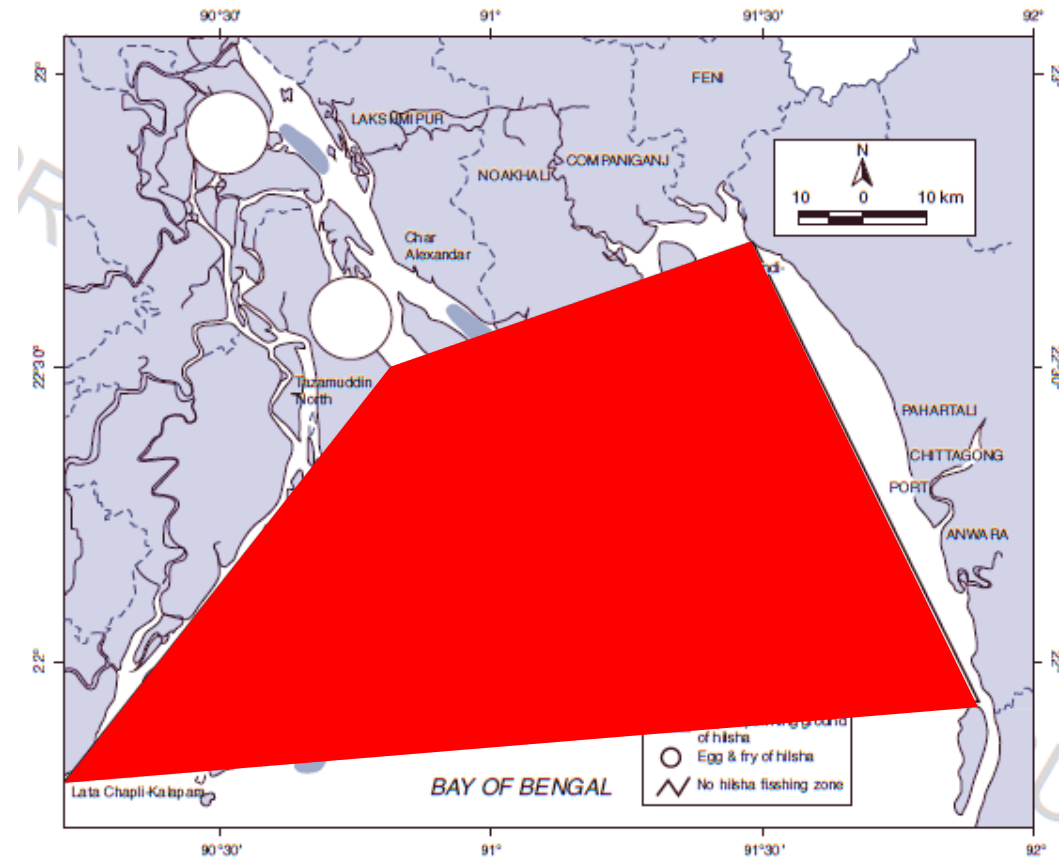
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'Hilsa fisheries management action plan' 2003

- juvenile hilsa protection
- Conservation of gravid hilsa
- 5 hilsa sanctuaries
- No take season
- 40kg rice/HH and AIGAs provided



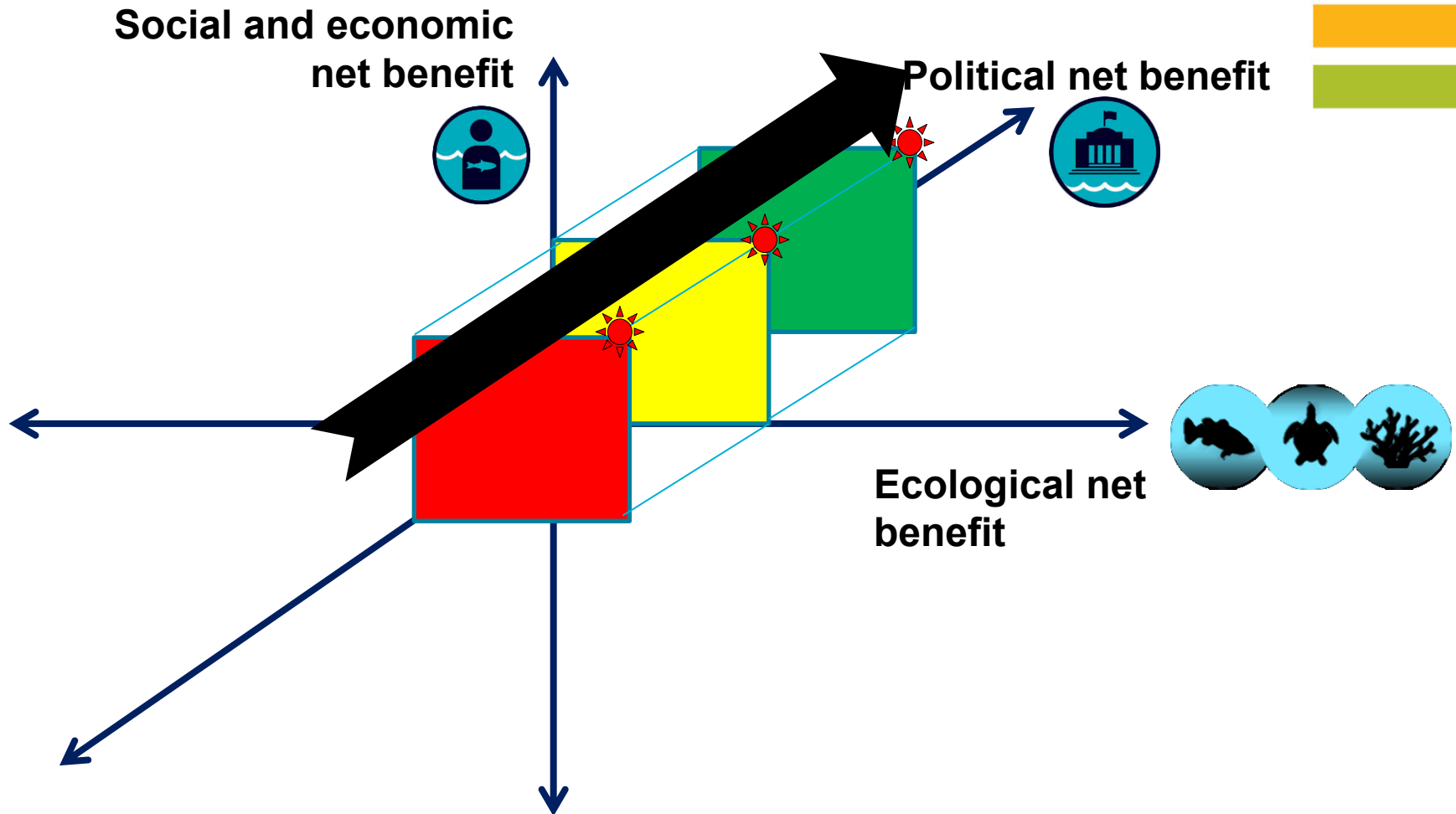
Our approach?

1. **Ecological and socioeconomic assessments.** Ecological assessments will aim to better understand the current complex marine biodiversity and how the ecosystems function
2. **assess both the technical and institutional capacity** of relevant government authorities and communities.
3. **design equitable benefit distribution systems** that aim to both fairly and equitably distribute payments
4. **Sustainable financing mechanism**

Search for overlooked issues

- Is overfishing the main/only threat to hilsa population?
 - Financial exclusion
 - Siltation
 - Pollution
- What did we do to mitigate these challenges?
 - Rural savings bank
 - Dredging
 - Enforcement of pollution control instruments

Influence? Think 3 Dimensionally!



Policy changes?

- Amendments to existing '*hilsa fishery management action plan*'
 - Ban period of adult hilsa (11 days to 15 days to 22 days)
 - Rice compensation (30kg/HH to 40kg/HH to 80kg/HH)
 - Establishment of hilsa conservation trust fund with a seed capital of \$10 million.

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