

Training Course on Human-Wildlife Conflict Mitigation in Agricultural Landscapes

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Agriculture	Duration	10 Days
Base Fee	\$3,000 USD	Delivery Mode	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Understand the ecological drivers of human-wildlife conflict.
2. Analyze landscape-level patterns influencing wildlife movement.
3. Evaluate socio-economic impacts of wildlife on farming communities.
4. Implement conflict prevention strategies through habitat management.
5. Integrate early warning systems and real-time conflict detection tools.
6. Promote community-based conflict resolution models.
7. Explore sustainable deterrents and non-lethal control methods.
8. Enhance capacity building in local conservation teams.
9. Strengthen cross-sectoral collaboration for HWC mitigation.
10. Design conflict monitoring and reporting systems.
11. Review national and international legal frameworks.
12. Advocate for policy integration and mainstreaming biodiversity.
13. Develop climate-resilient mitigation plans for future conflicts.

Target Audiences

1. Agricultural extension officers
2. Wildlife conservationists
3. Environmental policy makers
4. Community leaders and farmers
5. Land-use planners
6. NGOs and conservation organizations
7. Academic researchers and students
8. Rural development officers

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Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Human-Wildlife Conflict

- Definition, scope, and global trends
- Key conflict-prone species
- Agricultural drivers of conflict
- Impact on food security
- Conflict zones mapping
- *Case Study: Elephant crop raids in Kenya*

Module 2: Ecological Drivers of Conflict

- Habitat fragmentation
- Migration corridor disruption
- Seasonal food availability
- Carrying capacity dynamics
- Human encroachment patterns

- *Case Study: Lion predation in Southern Africa*

Module 3: Socio-Economic Dimensions

- Economic losses due to wildlife
- Farmer attitudes and perceptions
- Compensation mechanisms
- Rural poverty and vulnerability
- Gender and social roles in mitigation
- *Case Study: Snow leopard predation in Nepal*

Module 4: Land-Use Planning and Zoning

- Buffer zones
- Agroforestry integration
- Ecological corridors
- Conservation easements
- Participatory zoning practices
- *Case Study: Community conservancies in Namibia*

Module 5: Non-Lethal Deterrents and Barriers

- Electric and solar fences
- Bee hive fencing
- Noise and light deterrents
- Odor and taste repellents
- Motion-triggered deterrents
- *Case Study: Chili fences in India*

Module 6: Lethal vs. Non-Lethal Approaches

- Ethical considerations
- Effectiveness comparison
- Legislation constraints
- Risk of retaliation killing
- Conservation consequences
- *Case Study: Wolf control in the USA*

Module 7: Early Warning and Monitoring Tools

- GPS tracking of wildlife
- Camera traps and sensors
- Mobile reporting platforms
- Community alert systems
- Data management tools
- *Case Study: Real-time elephant alert in Tanzania*

Module 8: Community Engagement Strategies

- Community-based organizations (CBOs)
- Awareness and education campaigns
- Indigenous knowledge systems
- Role of local leadership
- Participatory action research
- *Case Study: Maasai-led mitigation projects*

Module 9: Conflict Resolution and Mediation

- Conflict analysis tools
- Mediation frameworks
- Stakeholder negotiations
- Peacebuilding approaches
- Restorative justice applications
- *Case Study: Gorilla guardians in Rwanda*

Module 10: Livelihood Diversification

- Ecotourism opportunities
- Beekeeping and wildlife-friendly enterprises
- Crop substitution
- Sustainable livestock practices
- Value-chain development
- *Case Study: Beekeeping in Uganda's conflict zones*

Module 11: Legal and Policy Frameworks

- National wildlife laws
- Human rights vs. conservation ethics
- International treaties (CITES, CBD)
- Liability and compensation policies
- Enforcement challenges
- *Case Study: Legal protections for tigers in India*

Module 12: Climate Change and Conflict Trends

- Changing migration patterns
- Drought-induced movement
- Increased habitat overlap
- Risk prediction models
- Climate adaptation strategies
- *Case Study: Conflict due to shrinking habitats in Ethiopia*

Module 13: Education and Youth Involvement

- School programs and curriculum
- Youth conservation clubs
- Digital storytelling for awareness
- Training young community leaders
- Inclusion in decision-making
- *Case Study: Youth rangers in Zimbabwe*

Module 14: Technological Innovations

- AI in wildlife monitoring
- Drones for surveillance
- E-fencing innovations
- IoT in conflict zones
- Tech capacity building
- *Case Study: SMART technology in Gabon reserves*

Module 15: Building Resilient Communities

- Holistic landscape planning
- Risk and resilience assessments

- Multi-stakeholder coalitions
- Sustainable funding mechanisms
- Long-term strategic planning
- *Case Study: Integrated management in Zambia's Luangwa Valley*

Training Methodology

- Participatory lectures and expert presentations
- Interactive group discussions and role plays
- Simulation exercises and scenario analysis
- Hands-on field demonstrations and site visits
- Real-time case study analysis and presentations
- Action planning and follow-up support

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

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Key Notes

- The participant must be conversant with English.
- Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate
- Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.
- The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.
- One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.
- Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Online	\$2,000
21 Sep 2026	02 Oct 2026	Physical	\$3,000
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