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1. Overview

Gansu Green Camel Bell Environment and Development Center (hereafter Green Camel Bell / GCB) is the first non-governmental non-profit organization in Gansu Province to engage with environmental challenges in Western China. Since its establishment in 2004, Green Camel Bell has played an increasingly active role in sensitizing local communities, promoting the conservation of natural resources and implementing post-disaster capacity-building initiatives.

Thanks to the sincere commitment of our staff and the passionate support of our volunteers, in 2011 we have further advanced in our mission and delivered tangible results. Our initiatives have largely benefited from the generous institutional guidance of the Department of Civil Affairs and the Environmental Protection Office of Gansu Province, as well as from the expertise and support of the Association for Science and Technology and the Youth Volunteers Association.

2. Organizational structure

In 2011, Green Camel Bell has streamlined the office workflow through the adoption of an attendance monitoring system and weekly meetings aimed at facilitating internal training and communication with our volunteers. At GCB we are committed at creating an equal, pragmatic, participatory and harmonious work environment.

During the past year, our team has further expanded with 2 new members covering the Water Resources Conservation and the Yellow River and Maqu Grassland ecological protection projects. Currently, our team consists in 6 full-time staff, 2 part-time staff and 6 practitioners / interns. Capitalizing on our former experience with practitioners, in 2011 we have decided to recruit 3 additional outstanding interns.

During the year, Green Camel Bell has carried out a number of capacity-building training activities for the incoming staff and interns. Ranging from environmental topics to community engagement, these workshops have played an important role in fostering team spirit and broadening their knowledge about Gansu civil society, industry background, and project planning and implementation.



In August, GCB organized a staff retreat to Qinghai Lake, which has been instrumental to strengthening the team spirit, communication and interaction on the field.

The year-end review and assessment has been an important opportunity for our team to discuss proposals for our upcoming initiatives. With the support of external collaborators we have defined our primary goals and drafted our 2012 strategic plan.

GCB staff in Qinghai to strengthening the team spirit, August,2011, picture by Xie Xiaoling

Strategic Plan (2010-2014)

1. Conduct public environment education, sponsor volunteers' organization, promote public participation in environment protection.
2. Focus on ecological and environmental problems in typical regions. Improve regional eco-environment by demonstration and setting good examples.
3. Encourage social supervision in the solution of water pollution and in protecting the water resource safety.
4. Strength the organization construction and improve team innovation capability to achieve sustainable development of the organization.
5. Establish cooperation and communication mechanisms to strengthen the experiences exchanges among different civil organizations.

3. Communications and outreach

Since its establishment in 2004, Green Camel Bell has always been committed to promoting awareness of environmental issues and improving the dissemination of best practices in urban and rural communities in Gansu and Western China.

Our office in Lanzhou is a friendly place where our staff and volunteers exchange their own experiences on environmental protection, disseminate their knowledge and communicate with visitors and the local community. During 2011 we have welcomed 7 inquiries from the media and 16 round-tables with other non-governmental environmental protection organizations and research institutions. Several dozen interested citizens have also visited us, seeking answers to their concerns and willing to get a better insight into our work at the community level.

3.1 Center for Environmental Awareness

In order to stimulate environmental awareness and knowledge dissemination, Green Camel Bell has further expanded its documentation center, which currently has over 7000 records including books, magazines and audio-visual materials. During the past year the Center has served hundreds of requests, with an increase in the borrowing rate. Among the most popular items are worth mentioning “Youth Environmental Review”, “China Dialogue” and “Green Footsteps” magazines.

3.2 Online presence

In 2011 Green Camel Bell has reworked its main website (www.gbcn.org) in order to improve the outreach of our initiatives and better disseminate our mission to a wider audience. By the end of 2011 we have released overall 9182 articles on the Chinese version of the website, which have been read by over 47900 unique visitors. Green Camel Bell English website (www.gbcn.org/en) has been periodically updated to facilitate international exchanges and foster opportunities for improved cooperation. A dedicated section has been newly created featuring our ongoing project on the Yellow River Water Basin Protection (www.gbcn.org/yellowriverkeeper) to highlight the problems arising from an unregulated utilization of water resources, which are the focus of our latest initiatives.

In order to improve transparency and accountability, in 2011 we have started releasing monthly newsletters and periodic progress reports on the ongoing projects.

4. Project implementation

4.1 Volunteering initiatives

Over the years, Green Camel Bell has constantly sought avenues to increase community involvement and build a platform aimed at training and empowering volunteers. This has been achieved through their active participation in environmental protection activities such as community training and sensitization.

In 2011, on the grounds of our previous experience with the “Natural University” project, we have drafted a framework of action for Green Camel Bell volunteers for the following years. This framework has been also integrated with the “Yellow River Big Classroom” training initiative.



GCB director Zhao Zhong read the “Go Green proposal”, June, 2011, picture by Xu Dingyan.

In 2011, GCB has overall organized 17 initiatives, among which low carbon campaigns, tree planting activities, a Maqu wetlands protection seminar and a “Cognitive Tour of the Yellow River Water Environment”. These activities have attracted more than 5200 participants and benefited more than 15470 people, receiving substantial coverage by local media with over 100 news reports. Through these activities Green Camel Bell has further disseminated to local communities knowledge and consciousness about environmental protection.

On June 17, 2011, Green Camel Bell, Gansu Media Company and Hainan Airlines–Lanzhou Airport jointly held “Green Travel, Low Carbon Life”, an environmental sensitization initiative taking place in the terminal building of Lanzhou ZhongChuan airport. With the support of low carbon-life handbooks, green travel video clips and an electronic carbon emissions calculator, we have informed the public how to travel reducing their carbon dioxide emissions. Over 70 people participated at this event. Several other public education activities targeting environmental protection have been organized also in Tianqing Garden District, in the city zoo and in various locations to celebrate the World Water Day.

From August 8 to 12, 2011, GCB organized a guided tour named: “Cognitive tour on summer – The yellow river water environment”. This experience aimed at combining theory with practice and consisted in a visit to the sewage water treatment plant in Anning and the waterwheel Park and Veolia Water Group in Lanzhou. Participants were all actively encouraged to take part in the assessment of the Yellow River water quality. By the end of the tour participants had developed a greater awareness about the current state of water resources in the region and about the ongoing modifications the Yellow River is experiencing. During 2011 GCB has organized other similar activities such as: “Happy Water Visit”, birdwatching sessions, and visits to the Maqu wetland and the Coca Cola factory sewage system.

Several of these initiatives have benefited from the support of Hudongbaike and the China Digital Science and Technology Museum.

4.2 Media awareness



Wang Yongchen ,the famous journalist of China speaking in the “Gansu Green Journalist” symposium.April 2011,picture by Wang Rong.

In order to promote a bridge between Gansu environmental protection NGOs and the media, on 9 and 10 April 2011 the Young Volunteers Association of Gansu Province hosted the “Gansu Green Journalist” symposium at Lanzhou University. This event has been jointly promoted by Green Camel Bell, Lanzhou University and the Communist Youth League Committee. A total of 57 guests were invited to participate in this forum. Wang YongChen – founder of Green Earth Volunteers – and a number of senior media officers were invited to join the discussions around current environmental issues and future trends. On April 10, news reporter Wang Peng from “Times Weekly” and professor Zhang Li – dean of the Journalism department of Gansu Political Science and Law Institute – lead a round-table on the best practices for establishing an effective communication between environmental protection organizations and the media.

4.3 Water resources conservation

Gansu is among China's most arid regions, regularly experiencing severe droughts and water shortages. In recent decades, the water demand has spiked following the economic development and increase in the population. As a consequence, the traditionally scarce water resources have started facing further challenges arising from pollution and overuse. Among the severely compromised water supplies, the pollution of the Yellow River in the areas of Lanzhou, Linxia and Baiyin has become the most serious. Tianshui, Dingxi and Qingyang branches have also reported high concentrations of pollutants, further threatening the availability of drinking water supplies in this highly populated region.

Since 2006, Green Camel Bell has been active in addressing water resources conservation and promoting the restoration of damaged water environments. For 5 consecutive years, we have carried out environment management projects and exchange programs. In 2011 these initiatives focused on the upper reaches of the Yellow River with the assessment of chemical pollutants in the areas of Lanzhou, Baiyin and Linxia, as well as an overview of drinking water problems in the area of Qingyang.



GCB worker take the polluted water in Wu Wei city. Picture by Wang Yanfei.

With a series of public initiatives, GCB has stimulated a greater awareness of the issues related to water resources conservation of the Yellow River upper reaches and tributaries. These include “Guardian of the Yellow River”, which promotes both watchdog activities on the impact of human initiatives on the water environment, and restoration activities aimed at facilitating the recovery of the compromised ecosystem. Within this framework, “Happy Water Visit” has been a successful initiative encouraging public participation to water quality monitoring. Participants have been guided through a series of Yellow River local ecosystems, assessing the differences among them

with weekly tests of the water quality. Visited locations included Citizen square, Waterwheel park, Water square, Longyuan park, Wetland park, Veolia Water Group, Coca Cola Company and the sewage treatment plant in Anning district. Further assessments of the water quality of tributaries in Lintao, Yongjin and Qingyang are planned through 2012.

In 2011 Green Camel Bell has developed streamlined procedures to manage the supervision of polluting factories and built public incident response mechanisms. We have collected and reviewed environment pollution information provided by the media and government departments, compared them with China water pollution map and correlated the data with existing factories locations. During this process we have actively liaised with relevant government departments ensuring that companies were responsible for the local environment and complying with clean production regulations. We have collected over 60 documents, performed 3 environmental assessments and identified 2 locations of polluting enterprises. Additionally, an in depth assessment of 2 polluting factories has been carried out in collaboration with other 11 environmental organizations. Results of this assessment have been shared with the identified companies, the Department of Environmental Protection of Gansu province and eventually disclosed to the public.

Green Camel Bell has actively liaised with local companies in order to rise greater awareness of environmental safety standards among the industry sector. In 2011 we have contacted around half a dozen enterprises receiving encouraging feedbacks. We have also held close communications with government institutions and research institutes, submitting around 30 applications for environmental information disclosure to the Department of Environmental Protection of Gansu province and the Environmental Protection Agency of Wuwei city. Recognizing the experience we have gathered in the field, the Environment Protection Bureau of Lanzhou has invited one member of our staff to monitor and contribute to their work. Through this collaboration GCB has established a public incident response mechanism for emergency situations and enhanced our insight into the working methods of local public institutions.



GCB organized the training workshop about the environment education.

Safety of drinking water supplies is among Green Camel Bell's long standing goals. After

successfully completing our project in Liangjia Bay village, we have since focused on the water quality of Baita river in Wuwei city, paying special attention to pollution levels of drinking water in the areas surrounding the industrial districts. From our analysis, water supplies in several villages are compromised, with the worst situation having been recorded in Shazigou. In the region of the Tengger desert we have identified as major sources of pollution the Quansheng paper company and the Ronghua Group. In the area of Baita river, the worst record of environmental impact has been recorded close to Daliyuan factory, although the whole Eastern Industrial Park is responsible for the heavy pollution of this water basin.

In these regards, our engagement ranged from technical assessments through water sampling to community awareness rising with the distribution of water purifier kits and the handbook “Legal Handbook for People Impacted by Water Pollution”. After insisting at both the industry and government level for several times, eventually our efforts revealed successful. In May 2011 Quansheng paper company discontinued its production and the following month Ronghua Group relocated to the countryside and held meetings for public consultation in accordance to the Environmental Impact Assessment law. In October our organization visited the factories in the Eastern Industrial Park and succeeded to obtain a commitment from several of them to implement mitigating strategies.

Several education and sensitization initiatives focusing on water resources conservation have been launched in 2011 by Green Camel Bell. During the month of April we have organized a number of training workshops, such as the “Water Environment Project Seminar”, specifically targeting Gansu universities. These initiatives aimed at encouraging students to engage in sensitization and awareness rising activities at the community level. We have also involved several local high schools in Lanzhou, where we have explained students the importance of drinking good quality water. As part of this project we have provided students with quality detection kits and enabled them to play an active role in periodically monitoring with a scientific methodology the quality of water resources in Lanzhou. This initiative has proved to be particularly successful and several students welcomed their role as “Youth Guardians of the Upper Reaches of the Yellow River”. During summer time, GCB has collaborated with the “Community Drama Education Workshop” operating 20 training initiatives around environment protection for students of the Mingren Garden Community. This initiative revealed successful in leveraging the interest of the community and combining drama education together with sensitization towards outstanding environmental issues. As part of our community capacity building training, these workshops aimed at promoting youth participation in environmental protection initiatives.

By the end of 2011 Green Camel Bell has released the “Water Environment Education Handbook”, a reference publication for volunteers providing insights into the organization of water resources sensitization activities.

4.4 Ecological agriculture

In the rural areas of Huining County, Gansu, Green Camel Bell has been promoting ecological agriculture and sustainable development for several years. With a 3 years project named “Sunflower Cultivation and Ecological Agriculture Demonstration” a population of over 1000 households in the village of NiuJiaHe has directly benefited from our support. Expanding beyond our environmental protection goals, in this initiative we have also included the social development dimension promoting improved rural workers livelihoods and the establishment of a cooperative of farmers. Substantial advancements have been achieved in this area by strengthening sunflower farmers' contractual power during seeds purchase and subsequent sale. Starting from 2010, further support has been provided with the supply of sunflower seeds in credit for a total value of 40'000 RMB. Unfortunately, the exceptionally dry seasons in 2011 has adversely affected the production, leading to increased challenges in marketing the resulting small and blighted seeds. This has proved evidence of the urgent need for elaborating a climate change impact mitigation strategy in these rural communities, which has become part of our 2012 plan.



The group photo of women embroider in Huining County.

In 2011 Green Camel Bell has continued supporting the farmers' cooperative by donating food processing hardware and office equipment for improving the management of local resources. Meanwhile, a particular emphasis has been put on women social inclusion and participation. In NiuJiaHe village women have traditionally played a primary role in the local economy, often engaging with heavy labor. However, their social recognition and education opportunities have lagged behind ever since. From March to July 2011, GCB has promoted two initiatives aimed at fostering greater community cohesion: the contest “I Can Embroider” and the “Parent-Child Bridge” activity. Warmly welcomed, these initiatives effectively stimulated the community's recognition of women’s specific skills, further promoting their potential and encouraging an active mutual support. We believe that NiuJiaHe farmers' cooperative will eventually highly benefit from a strengthened and empowered women community.

Starting from the second half of 2010, Green Camel Bell has launched a series of capacity building activities aimed at training community leaders in the rural farmers' cooperative. This

initiative has been implemented with the financial and technical support of Action Aid and Able Society, and tangibly benefitted the ecological agricultural cooperative in NiuJiaHe village. The 3 selected practitioners (of which one woman) have participated in training sessions which included field visits in Beijing, Chongqing and Leishan (Guizhou province) among others. This experience enabled them to understand community problems from a broader perspective and to develop professional skills of community management.

Along with the above activities, Green Camel Bell has also provided technical and financial support to the farmers' cooperative and donated seed cleaning and selecting machines, handbooks and various office equipment. With our support, the NiuJiaHe cooperative has set up a local library becoming able to provide farmers with a more convenient way to enrich their knowledge and understanding.

4.5 Disaster risk management and reconstruction

In 2008, Tea Garden village in Wen county of Longnan city (Gansu province) has severely suffered from the Wenchuan earthquake. Despite the low number of casualties (4), housing and public infrastructure have been heavily damaged: 705 houses, several barns, firedamp pools, the sewage system and 4 drinking water wells have been severely affected. Through a rapid response project, Green Camel Bell reached Tea Garden village shortly after the earthquake and lead a series of ecological reconstruction initiatives that have been completed in December 2010.

Housing reconstruction costs heavily impacted on farmers' livelihoods, resulting in increasing social distress. Our projects have taken into account this aspect and therefore included strategies to support families' income (e.g. promoting advanced production techniques). Capacity building along with waste treatment management has been the focus of our 2011 initiatives.



Volunteer coloured drawing the dumps in Tea Garden. Picture by Xie Xiaoling.

Following public consultations and agreements with citizens and the local government, GCB has set up 9 of easily reachable dumps. Together with the local government, our organization provided

building materials, whereas villagers committed to provide free labor. Furthermore, with 20% monetary contribution from families, we have provided 88 household litter containers. A series of waste differentiation and recycling activities, such as the “Clean earth day – Trash sorting-out” contest, have been promoted at the Di'er Middle School with the sponsorship of Hong Kong Baptist University and Green Rhyme Environmental Protection Association. With the motto “Engaging in Construction –Engaging in Cleaning” we have succeeded in promoting an innovative waste collection and disposal system in the region, effectively reducing the amount of garbage on the urban area and improving the surrounding environment.



Cooperative training, picture by Xie Xiaoling

Overall, Green Camel Bell has sponsored capacity building activities for 20 villagers, promoting the establishment of farmers' cooperatives and disseminating innovative farming techniques. These included visits to Lizi Dam village, where organic tea planting is already well established, and training classes on community management with lectures from Wang Weixing and Rong Chunli from Liangshuming Rural Construction Center. Further workshops have been held on “Social Practice Activities” by Hong Kong Baptist University and Lanzhou University of Technology, and on disaster prevention and recovery by Ye Hong from Southwest University for Nationalities. A “Tea Garden Handbook” has been produced at the end of the training sessions in order to facilitate further dissemination of the discussed topics and increase the sense of pride of Tea Garden citizens. Previously, most of the families felt their village was a humble place without any development perspective; therefore their children were encouraged to study in order to migrate to big cities. With this editorial initiative Green Camel Bell has emphasized the beauty and worth of rural areas, and stimulated a sense of pride for their pristine nature and a greater enthusiasm in seeking new business opportunities through innovative farming techniques.

In September 2011, GCB has completed all the post-disaster reconstruction projects in Tea Garden village. The balance of our 3-years-long work in this area has proved to be rewarding, with tangible advancements in the areas of post-disaster reconstruction, environmental protection and livelihoods improvement. Through the above mentioned capacity building activities, we have

empowered local inhabitants to further develop the projects we have initiated, leaving behind a know-how that will foster development even after our direct engagement has ended.

4.6 Yellow River and Maqu Grassland ecological protection project

The Tibetan plateau spreads across four Chinese provinces including Gansu, where an Autonomous Tibetan Prefecture has been established in southern regions. Maqu wetland, situated in the southwest of the Prefecture, is the largest swamp of the Qinghai Tibetan plateau and one of the best preserved natural wetlands in the world. This is often referred to as the *kidney of the Yellow River* because of its important ecological protection function on the river's waters.

In recent years, more than 90% of the 12'880'000 acres of meadows have deteriorated to varying degrees due to the increase in average temperatures and unsustainable grazing practices. Degradation and desertification of the Maqu wetland, along with the overpopulation of rodents have started showing their adverse effects on the ecological security of the Yellow River basin and putting this fragile ecosystem at stake.

Starting in 2010, Green Camel Bell has initiated a series of grassland protection projects in Maqu County thanks to grants from the Ford Foundation. Capitalizing on our experience during the previous year, in 2011 we have shifted the focus on community protection and school environmental education.



GCB donated solar power equipment to herdsman families, June 5th, 2011, picture by Gesang Jinba.

Following the principle of “multiple cooperation, mutual protection” we have engaged with a number of government agencies, research institutions, entrepreneurs, NGOs and community associations in order to set up a solid and resilient environmental protection network. With the assistance of Professor Du Guozhen and his graduate students team of Lanzhou University, GCB has visited 2 towns and 7 villages to investigate the current state of Maqu grassland. Eventually, the

DaoErJia 5th Community in Awancang County has been chosen as focus group.

During the 40th Environment Day (June 5th, 2011) Green Camel Bell promoted a series of sensitization initiatives named “Protect the Kidney of the Yellow River” in collaboration with YVP Association, Amway Corporation and the local government of Maqu. As part of this initiative we have donated solar power equipment to 8 herdsman families.



Environmental education in First Tibetan Elementary School. Picture by Gesang Jinba.

The Green Homeland association hosted the event “Ten Years of the Yellow River Eco-Tourism Project” with the participation of GCB. Other two initiatives have been promoted in First Tibetan Elementary School and the Awancang Elementary School in Maqu County. These initiatives aimed at spreading the awareness about the importance of wetlands for the ecosystem of the river basin. The traditional environmental protection techniques and wisdom have been also consolidated into a bilingual paper – written in Tibetan and Chinese – resulting from a joint effort between volunteers and the NGOs involved. We plan to further expand the cooperation with local education bureaus during 2012 and publish more bilingual teaching material for environmental education specifically tailored to the Maqu region.

Meanwhile, the establishment of a Community Natural Resources Co-Management Committee has emerged from a fruitful debate with the local population on community protection. Through this committee we have promoted a greater cohesion in grassland management and better awareness about ecological livestock breeding methods.

4.7 Climate change

Climate change is nowadays one of the major sources of concern for regional ecosystems in Gansu. This phenomenon can be held responsible for the worsening of several indicators, ranging from expanding desertification to extreme weather conditions. As the consequences of climate change adversely impact on several environmental protection initiatives, Green Camel Bell has

become increasingly active in sensitizing the population towards the possible effects of the anthropogenic increase in temperatures. We have participated in the development, supervision and implementation of a number of climate change projects aimed at demonstrating its economic, environmental and social footprint and our organization has eventually been awarded the Gold Standard supporter status within the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) framework.



GCB joined the stakeholder meeting in Zhangye city, picture by Ran Liping.

In 2011 we have provided input and feedback over 3 rural energy projects applying to CDM funds, such as the construction of a small hydroelectric power plant. Concerning this latter project, GCB has joined discussions on tier 4 and 5 plants in Lixi (1.6MW and 1.26MW), and a tier 3 plant in Nantazi, Zhangye city of Linze county (2.2MW). Public consultations involved representatives of NGOs and associations advocating water conservancy and environmental protection, as well as company employees and community residents. Following the Gold Standard methodology, participants have submitted 12 proposals covering environmental, social, technical and economic development areas. Subsequently, Green Camel Bell has scored them according to their environmental sustainability and collected the proposed mediation measures.

Our current 5 years strategic framework will continue leading Green Camel Bell environmental protection initiatives throughout 2012.

“Looking forward to 2012, we are full of hope. GCB will be devoted to western China environmental protection and follow the five years strategic planning as before; mobilizing all walks of life force, promoting multilateral cooperation, carrying out water environment safety, community development and grassland protection work in the Yellow River valley; in the hope of getting attention and help from experts, volunteers and partners continuously.”

*Zhao Zhong
Founder of Green Camel Bell*

5. Acknowledgments

Green Camel Bell recognizes and thanks the many talented professionals and passionate volunteers who have joined its team over the past year. Driven by their sincere commitment to defending our common environment and improving life quality of our communities, these colleagues have demonstrated their willingness to tackle ambitious objectives despite the limited resources available.

While it is impossible to name all the individuals who have assisted us in so many ways, a few people and organizations stand out for special recognition.

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