



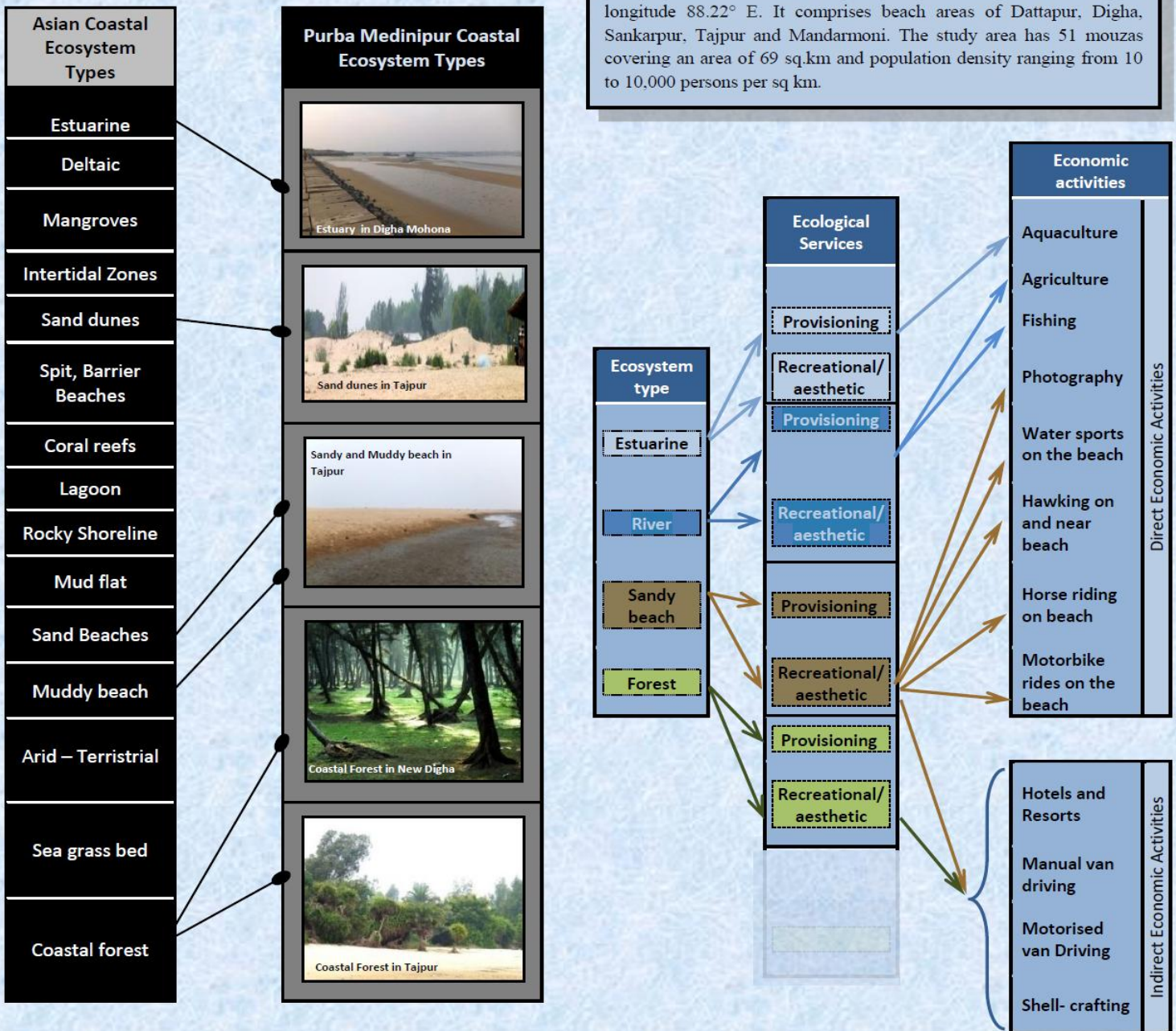
Coastal Ecosystem, Ecosystem Services & Changing Economic Activities of Purba Medinipur in West Bengal, India



*Coastal ecosystem is a dynamic interface between
land-based and oceanic influences*

Purba Medinipur Coastal Ecosystem, a part of Asian Coastal Ecosystem :

The study area: It is located in Rannagar I and II blocks of Purba Medinipur district in West Bengal, India corresponding to the coastline from latitude 21.66° N and longitude 87.70° E to latitude 22.72° N and longitude 88.22° E. It comprises beach areas of Dattapur, Digha, Sankarpur, Tajpur and Mandarmoni. The study area has 51 mouzas covering an area of 69 sq.km and population density ranging from 10 to 10,000 persons per sq km.



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Pattern of Change in Economic Activities from

Traditional to New*



* Note: The pattern of change in economic activities includes incidences of shift from traditional to new and also continuation of traditional activity along with the new one.

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