**Improving** 227 laws and regulations to address wildlife trafficking, air and water pollution, solid waste management, and other critical environmental issues.

**710** Micro, Small, and Medium **Enterprises** to promote the adoption of cleaner production technologies, leading to reductions of greenhouse gases in more than

**6,200** tons CO<sub>2</sub>.

Working with over

Attracting more than **US\$21** million dollars in funding from private and government partners to support environmental cooperation activities.



With the support of the Central American Wildlife Enforcement Network (CAWEN), 25 operations conducted resulted in 60 arrests.

Reaching over 24.33 million people through environmental awareness campaigns.

More than 8,150 people have increased their economic benefits derived from the management and sustainable conservation of natural resources.

**Trainings** focused on achieving a long-term sustainable management strategy of the genus Dalbergia (Rosewood), and reducing illegal logging in the region.

More than 781 Small and Medium Enterprises - " adopted new technologies or practices to respond to environmental standards.

Training 143,337 people in environmental policy and enforcement has yielded improved environmental management for more than 1.8 million hectares of land.

The mobile application

for wildlife identification has been developed and launched. VidaSilvestre.net



Training **32,488** people in natural

resource management and/or

biodiversity conservation.

31,300 Sustainable or enviromental friendly agricultural practices



1,120

School biogarden management



**57 port operators** received training so that Port Environmental Management Units can achieve compliance with the Central American "Green Code".

More than 3,563 people trained to improve

CITES enforcement.

In addition, more than 3,287 primary and secondary school students participated in workshops on wildlife protection.

Update of

Regulation

OSP-01-09 - Integrated Regional Fisheries and Aquaculture Registry System (SIRPAC) to support proper fisheries management.

An identification manual on more than 25 commercialized timber species was developed and published.



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## NICARAGUA



45 companies participated in the eco-efficiency initiative and received technical assistance to adopt cleaner **production** practices and to improve their energy efficiency.

A newly formed national committee of cleaner production supported the creation and adoption of a "Cleaner Production Policy".

A partnership established with the Chamber of Industries of Nicaragua (CADIN) and Association of Exporters and Producers of Nicaragua (APEN) achieved US\$298,245 in economic savings

(relative to investments totaling US\$103,990). Other savings included: 456,540 kWh of energy, 43,979 gallons of fuel, 2,997,680 gallons of water, and a reduction in 9,755 m3 of waste waters.

A new map identifies wildlife trafficking routes in Nicaragua.



30 people, including students and forestry inspectors received training in the use of the **XyloTron** machine and the correct identification of various **CITES** protected forest species.

The Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources conducted an intensive capacity building program with 88 park rangers and 20 civil society representatives, which improved the management in all protected areas of Nicaragua.

**Environmental Protection and Public Participation in CAFTA-DR Countries** 

> There are now 15 newly formed community environmental commissions in three rural municipalities of Rio San Juan.

Civil-society organizations implemented **9 projects** with a focus on raising environmental awareness. promoting public participation and providing workshops on environmental legislation.

2 community committees in the protected areas of the Gulf of Fonseca obtained environmental legal representation.

mangroves have been repopulated with black shells, and 20 additional hectares of mangroves were restored. (704 males and 562 females) from 14 communities attended environmental education workshops on the

sustainable use of

natural resources.

**19 cooperatives** received

trainingin cleaner production

practices (490 members: 353

females and 137 males).

1,266 participants

improved norms and the export, import and re-export of species of

> In Nicaragua and Costa Rica, the provision of basic equipment and support for software development to conduct automated CITES duties facilitated the management authorities.

Strengthened **Enforcement of** Wildlife Legislation and Public **Participation** 

Nicaragua collaborated with Costa Rica, and the **CITES** Secretariat to update their binational **CITES** Operations Manual, an important resource for cross-border cooperation.

The CAFTA-DR Environmental **Cooperation Program** contributed to the update and modernization of **CITES** regulations in Nicaragua.

Updates to **Decree 8-98 procedures** associated with flora and fauna.

day-to-day operations of CITES



Through the CAFTA-DR Environmental Cooperation Program, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and the **United States work** together to strengthen environmental protection, improve the environmental performance of the private sector and promote public participation for environmental decision-making. **CAFTA-DR** promotes strong economic ties and the effective enforcement of environmental

legislation.



