Den Ba Trieu Cultural and Historical Site

Alternative site name(s)

None

Province(s)

Thanh Hoa

Area

300 ha

Coordinates

19°56'N, 105°48'E

Agro-ecological zone

North Central Coast

Decreed by government

Yes

Management board established

Nο

Investment plan prepared

No

VCF eligibility criteria met

None

Social screening criteria met

None

Conservation needs assessment prepared

No

Operational management plan prepared

No

Tracking tool completed

No

Map available

Yes

Management history

Den Ba Trieu Cultural and Historical Site was included on Decision No. 194/CT of the Chairman of the Council of Ministers, dated 9 August 1986, with a total area of 300 ha (MARD 1997). According to Thanh Hoa Provincial FPD (*in litt.* 2000), the current area of the site is 2,068 ha, although it is not clear whether this figure includes a buffer zone or not. To date, a management board has not been established for the site (Thanh Hoa Provincial FPD verbally 2003).

Den Ba Trieu is included on a list of Special-use Forests to be established by the year 2010, prepared by the FPD of MARD, as a 300 ha cultural and historical site (FPD 2003); this list has not yet been approved by the government.

Topography and hydrology

Den Ba Trieu Cultural and Historical Site is located in Hau Loc district, Thanh Hoa province. The site is centred on a group of low hills, situated in the coastal plain of north-central Vietnam. Elevations at the site range from a few metres above sea level to 278 m at the summit of Mount Son Chang. To the west, the site is bordered by the Ma river, the largest river in Thanh Hoa province.

Biodiversity values

Den Ba Trieu is believed to have few or no biodiversity values. All of the natural forest at the site has been cleared and replaced by plantation forest (Le Trong Trai verbally 2003).

Conservation issues

No information.

Other documented values

Den Ba Trieu Cultural and Historical Site was established to preserve a temple dedicated to Ba Trieu, a national heroine. Ba Trieu led an insurrection against the Chinese in 248 AD, and killed the Chinese governor of Vietnam. After defeat at the hands of the Chinese general Luc Dan, she committed suicide on Mount Tung, which is located within the cultural and historical site.

Related projects

No information.

Conservation needs assessment

A conservation needs assessment has not been conducted for the site.

Operational management plan

An operational management plan has not been prepared for the site.

Eligibility against VCF criteria

Den Ba Trieu is ineligible for VCF support because it does not meet the criteria for supporting forest biodiversity of international importance. In addition, the site is a cultural and historical site, and it is not under appropriate conservation management.

Criterion	Eligibility
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A_{II}	
B_{I}	Decision No. 194/CT, dated 09/08/86
B_{II}	
B _{III}	Under provincial management
C_{I}	
C_{II}	

Social screening requirements

A social screening report has not been prepared for the site.

Criterion	Eligibility
A	
В	
С	
D	

Literature sources

None.