WHV - Construction of three Native Chalets
Sukur Cultural Landscape, Nigeria

Cultural property inscribed on the List of World Heritage since 1999

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The Sukur Cultural Landscape, with the Palace of the Hidi (Chief) on a hill dominating the villages below, the terraced fields and their sacred symbols, and the extensive remains of a former flourishing iron industry, is a remarkably intact physical expression of a society and its spiritual and material culture.

Project objectives:

Sharing the culture and knowledge of Sukur people to international and local volunteers is the project’s main objective. This will be achieved by passing on traditional methods of construction, where the volunteers will help making the site more accessible to visitors.

Project activities:

The volunteers will be involved in the construction of three native huts, which will be used as accommodation facilities for visitors, researchers and tourists. By helping to build these eco-lodges, they will learn traditional architectural skills on mixing clay with grasses and stones. They will also have the opportunity to visit cultural sites including ritual places where they will learn Sukur’s traditional management system. Additionally, they will help raising awareness midst the population by using photos and documents they made. Paralelly to that, they will have the chance to meet blacksmiths and see them perform iron crafts for which Sukur people are well known for.

Partners:

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