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**REVISION OF THE FORMAT FOR NATIONAL REPORTS ON THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF AEWA**

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Introduction

From the second to the third Sessions of the Meeting of the Parties (MOP), the Contracting Parties to AEWA compiled their national reports on the implementation of the Agreement following a format approved by MOP1 in 1999. In 2005, MOP3 instructed the development of a new format to be used for online reporting. Such a format was elaborated together with the development of the AEWA Strategic Plan for 2009-2017. At its fourth Session in September 2008, the Meeting of the Parties approved the newly developed format to be used for the 2009-2011 reporting cycle, through Resolution 4.7 and also instructed the Standing Committee to amend the national report format after each MOP, so as to bring it in line with any relevant decisions of sessions of the MOP and/or to enhance it, as necessary.

Following its mandate from resolution 4.7, the Standing Committee adopted some pertinent amendments to the format in 2011 and it was successfully used for reporting to MOP5 in May 2012 through the CMS Family Online Reporting System developed by World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) under the guidance of the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat. The new format and the new online system allowed for very comprehensive reporting and the information obtained served as the basis for very useful analysis and synthesis (see document [AEWA/MOP 5.12](#)) feeding into the assessment of the progress of implementation of the AEWA Strategic Plan 2009-2017 (see document [AEWA/MOP 5.11](#)).

A similar process of revision and update of the National Report Format took place also in advance of MOP6. The StC adopted the MOP report format at its 9th Meeting in September 2013. This allowed for continuity of the Strategic Plan implementation monitoring and comparability of data between the different reporting cycles. As for MOP5, an informative analysis and synthesis of the submitted national reports were compiled (see document [AEWA/MOP 6.13](#)), which also informed the comparative progress report on the Strategic Plan implementation (see document [AEWA/MOP 6.12](#)).

The current document presents a proposal for a revised format for national reports on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2015-2017 to be used for reporting to MOP7 in 2018, which will be the third iteration of the report format adopted by MOP4 in 2008. This proposal was developed by the AEWA Technical Committee as part of its 2016-2018 Work Plan and also takes into account the MOP6 decisions and newly-introduced reporting requirements.

This revised format, once approved by the Standing Committee, will be translated by the Secretariat into an online template within the CMS Family Online Reporting System as soon as possible afterwards. The MOP7 reporting cycle is planned to be launched by May 2017, aiming at a one year period before the deadline for submission of national reports (assuming that MOP7 will take place in November 2018).

Action Requested from the Standing Committee

In accordance with the mandate received from the MOP through resolution 4.7, the Standing Committee is requested to review and approve this proposed revised format for national reports on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2015-2017 for use in the MOP7 reporting cycle.

Report on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2015-2017

Introduction

(Introduction to be included prior to the launch of the reporting cycle)

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of reporting Contracting Party

Date of entry into force of AEWA in the Contracting Party

List any reservations that the Contracting Party has made (if any) in respect of any population(s) listed in Table 1 of Annex 3 or any specific provision of the AEWA Action Plan – either upon deposition of its instruments of accession (per AEWA, Article XV) or subsequent to any amendment of Table 1 or the AEWA Action Plan, as adopted by a session of the Agreement’s Meeting of the Parties (per AEWA, Article X.6).

2. INSTITUTIONAL INFORMATION

Please update information on the National AEWA Administrative Authority, the National Focal Points, the Designated National Respondent and the other contributors to this report.

Designated National AEWA Administrative Authority

Full name of the institution

Name and title of the head of institution

Mailing address - Street and number

P.O.Box

Postal code

City

Country

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Website

Designated National Focal Point (NFP) for AEWA matters

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Country

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E-mail

Website

Designated National Focal Point for AEWA Technical Committee (TC NFP) matters

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Postal code

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Country

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Website

Designated National Focal Point for Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA NFP) matters

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Website

Designated National Respondent (DNR) in charge of the compilation and submission of the AEWA National Report 2015-2017

Please select from the list below as appropriate.

[Tick mark] The National Focal Point (NFP) has been designated as the National Respondent

[Tick mark] The National Focal Point for AEWA Technical Committee (NFPTC) matters has been designated as the National Respondent

[Tick mark] The National Focal Point for Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA NFP) matters has been designated as the National Respondent

[Tick mark] Another person has been designated as the National Respondent

Name and title of the DNR

Affiliation (institution, department)

Mailing address - Street and number

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Country

Telephone

Fax

E-mail

Website

Other contributors to the AEWA National Report 2015-2017

Please list the names and affiliations (institution, organisation) of the other contributors to this report. For Contracting Parties in which nature conservation is not an exclusive competence of national/federal government, Designated National Respondents are encouraged to seek input from other relevant levels of government.

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES

3. SPECIES CONSERVATION

3.1. Legal Measures

1. Please confirm whether all populations listed on AEWA Table 1, Column A which occur in your country are protected by your country's national legislation (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.1), in particular:

1.1. Taking of birds and eggs is prohibited

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and whether this applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

1.2. Deliberate disturbance that would be significant for the conservation of the population concerned is prohibited

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and whether this applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

1.3. Possession or utilisation of, and trade in, birds or eggs which have been taken in contravention of the prohibition under AEWA Action Plan, para 2.1.1. (a), as well as the possession or utilisation of, and trade in, any readily recognisable parts or derivatives of such birds and eggs is prohibited

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and whether this applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

2. Please confirm whether hunting of any populations listed under AEWA Table 1, Column 1, category 2 or 3 with an asterisk or category 4 is allowed in your country.

[Tick mark] Yes

Please select the populations for which hunting is allowed (drop down menu with all Column A, category 2*, 3* and 4 populations)

[Tick mark] No

[Tick mark] Not relevant

Please explain the reasons

3. Please confirm whether the taking of all populations listed on AEWA Table 1, Column B which occur in your country is regulated (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.2), in particular:

3.1. Taking is prohibited during the populations' various stages of reproduction and rearing and during their return to their breeding grounds if the taking has an unfavourable impact on the conservation status of the population concerned.

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and whether this applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

3.2. Limits are established on taking.

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and whether this applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

3.3. Possession or utilisation of, and trade in, birds or eggs which have been taken in contravention of the prohibition under AEWA Action Plan, para 2.1.2, as well as the possession or utilisation of, and trade in, any readily recognisable parts or derivatives of such birds and eggs is prohibited

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and whether this applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

4. Please indicate which modes of taking are prohibited in your country (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.2(b))

Please select from the list below:

- [Tick mark] Snares
- [Tick mark] Limes
- [Tick mark] Hooks
- [Tick mark] Live birds which are blind or mutilated used as decoys
- [Tick mark] Tape recorders and other electronic devices
- [Tick mark] Electrocuting devices
- [Tick mark] Artificial light sources
- [Tick mark] Mirrors and other dazzling devices
- [Tick mark] Devices for illuminating targets
- [Tick mark] Sighting devices for night shooting comprising an electronic image magnifier or image converter
- [Tick mark] Explosives
- [Tick mark] Nets
- [Tick mark] Traps
- [Tick mark] Poison
- [Tick mark] Poisoned or anaesthetic baits
- [Tick mark] Semi-automatic or automatic weapons with a magazine capable of holding more than two rounds of ammunition
- [Tick mark] Hunting from aircraft, motor vehicles, or boats driven at a speed exceeding 5 km p/h (18 km p/h on the open sea)
- [Tick mark] Other non-selective modes of taking

Please specify

Please provide further details, including the relevant legislation and information on whether the prohibitions apply to the entire country or only to particular states/provinces thereof.

[Tick mark] No modes of taking have been prohibited

Please explain the reasons

5. Has your country granted exemptions from any of the above prohibitions in order to accommodate livelihoods uses? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.2(b))

[Tick mark] YES

Please select from the list below those prohibited means of taking for which your country has granted exemptions:

- [Tick mark] Snares
- [Tick mark] Limes
- [Tick mark] Hooks
- [Tick mark] Live birds which are blind or mutilated used as decoys
- [Tick mark] Tape recorders and other electronic devices
- [Tick mark] Electrocuting devices
- [Tick mark] Artificial light sources
- [Tick mark] Mirrors and other dazzling devices
- [Tick mark] Devices for illuminating targets
- [Tick mark] Sighting devices for night shooting comprising an electronic image magnifier or image converter
- [Tick mark] Explosives
- [Tick mark] Nets
- [Tick mark] Traps
- [Tick mark] Poison

- [Tick mark] Poisoned or anaesthetic baits
- [Tick mark] Semi-automatic or automatic weapons with a magazine capable of holding more than two rounds of ammunition
- [Tick mark] Hunting from aircraft, motor vehicles, or boats driven at a speed exceeding 5 km p/h (18 km p/h on the open sea)
- [Tick mark] Other non-selective modes of taking.

Please specify

Please provide further details

[Tick mark] NO

6. Were any exemptions granted to the prohibitions required by paragraphs 2.1.1 and 2.1.2 of the [AEWA Action Plan](#)? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.3)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide information on each species for which exemption was granted

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with the full AEWA species list]

Purpose of exemption (from the AEWA Action Plan)

[Tick mark] (a) To prevent serious damage to crops, water and fisheries

[Tick mark] (b) In the interests of air safety, public health, public safety, or other imperative reasons of overriding public interests, including those of a social or economic nature and beneficial consequences of primary importance to the environment

[Tick mark] (c) For the purpose of research and education, of re-establishment and for the breeding necessary for these purposes

[Tick mark] (d) To permit under strictly supervised conditions, on a selective basis and to a limited extent, the taking and keeping or other judicious use of certain birds in small numbers

[Tick mark] (e) For the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the populations concerned

Number of individuals for which exemption was granted

Number of eggs for which exemption was granted

Territorial coverage of the exemption

Guidance: Name the territory (ies) covered by the exemption

Time span of the exemption

Guidance: indicate the period for which the exemption is/was valid

Year when the exemption was granted

Additional information on this exemption (alternatively provide a web link or attach a file)

[Tick mark] NO

7. Was your country's national legislation reviewed following the [Guidance on Measures in National Legislation for Different Populations of the Same Species, Particularly with Respect to Hunting and Trade \(Resolution 6.7\)](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Did this require adjusting your national legislation?

[Tick mark] Yes

Was your national legislation subsequently adjusted?

[Tick mark] Yes

Please describe what these adjustments entailed

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] No

Please describe how your current national legislation is compatible with the advice provided in the Guidance

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

8. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines on National Legislation for the Protection of Species of Migratory Waterbirds and their Habitats](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What other guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 3.1. Legal Measures

3.2. Species Action and Management Plans

9. Please report on the progress of turning the International Single Species Action and Management Plans (ISSAP and ISSMP), as well as International Multi-species Action Plans (IMSAP), relevant for your country into National Action or Management Plans. (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.2)

Please report on all listed ISSAP, ISSMP and IMSAP

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with the species for which there are AEWA SSAPs relevant for the respective country]

National Plan for selected species

For selected species

[Tick mark] NP in place and being implemented

When was the plan approved and published? Please provide a web link or attach a file, if available. Please provide contact details for any person or organisation coordinating its implementation. Please list any activities and/or achievements over the past triennium.

[Tick mark] NP in place, but not being implemented properly or at all

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] NP in development

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date

[Tick mark] No NP, but actions implemented

Please explain the reasons for having no NP in place

Please provide a description of the actions implemented

[Tick mark] No NP and no action implemented

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information

10. Does your country have in place or is your country developing a National Single Species Action Plan for any species/population for which an AEWA ISSAP has not been developed? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.2.2)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide information on each species for which relevant action has been undertaken

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with the full AEWA species list]

National Single Species Action Plan for selected species

For selected species

[Tick mark] NSSAP in place and being implemented

[Tick mark] NSSAP in development

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

11. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines for the preparation of National Single Species Action Plans for migratory waterbirds?](#)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What has been used instead as a basis for the preparation of NSSAPs?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 4.2. Single Species Action Plans

3.3. Emergency Measures

12. Please report on any emergency situation that has occurred in your country over the past triennium and has threatened waterbirds. (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.3).

Please indicate whether an emergency situation threatening waterbirds, such as botulism, chemical pollution, earthquake, extreme weather, fire, harmful algal bloom, infectious disease, introduction of alien species, lead poisoning, nuclear accident, oil spill, predation, volcanic activity, war or other emergency (please specify), has occurred in the country over the past triennium.

[Tick mark] Emergency situation has occurred

Please provide information on each emergency situation which occurred

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with emergency situations]

- Botulism
- Chemical pollution
- Earthquake
- Extreme weather
- Fire
- Harmful algal bloom
- Infectious disease
- Introduction of alien species
- Lead poisoning
- Nuclear accident
- Oil spill
- Predation
- Volcanic activity
- War
- Other emergency

Please specify

Indicate when the emergency situation took place

Indicate where the emergency situation took place (including geographical coordinates)

Indicate which species were affected by the emergency situation and the estimated magnitude of the impact

[Dropdown menu with the full AEWA species list]

For each affected species:

Number of individuals affected (all individuals exposed to the emergency situation)

What proportion of the national (breeding, passage, wintering/non-breeding, whichever is applicable) population does this number represent)

[Tick boxes]

- (>90%)
- (51-90%)
- (10-50%)
- (<10%)

If mortality has been recorded, indicate number of individuals

What proportion of the national (breeding, passage, wintering/non-breeding, whichever is applicable) population does this number represent)

[Tick boxes]

- (>90%)
- (51-90%)
- (10-50%)
- (<10%)

If a waterbird site has been affected, indicate the area of habitat impacted (in hectares)

What proportion of the site has been affected

[Tick boxes]

- (>90%)
- (51-90%)
- (10-50%)
- (<10%)

Have emergency response measures been implemented?

[Tick mark] yes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] no

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optionally, you can provide additional information on the emergency case)

[Tick mark] No emergency situation has occurred

13. Are there any other emergency response measures, different from the ones applied in response to the emergency situations reported above, that were developed and are in place in your country so that they can be used in future in emergency cases?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide information on each emergency situation for which measures have been developed and are in place

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with emergency situations]

- Botulism
- Chemical pollution
- Earthquake
- Extreme weather
- Fire
- Harmful algal bloom
- Infectious disease
- Introduction of alien species
- Lead poisoning
- Nuclear accident
- Oil spill
- Predation
- Volcanic activity
- War
- Other emergency

Shortly describe the emergency measures in place in your country

Field for additional information (optional)

[Tick mark] NO

14. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines on identifying and tackling emergency situations for migratory waterbirds](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What was used instead as a basis for dealing with emergency situations?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 4.III. Emergency Measures

3.4. Re-establishments

15. Is your country maintaining a national register of re-establishment projects occurring or planned to occur wholly or partly within your country? (Resolution 4.4)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details on the register

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

16. Is there a regulatory framework for re-establishments of species, including waterbirds, in your country (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.4)?

[Tick mark] YES

[Tick mark] PARTIAL

[Tick mark] NO

Please provide details

17. Has your country considered, developed or implemented re-establishment projects for any species listed on AEWA Table 1? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.4)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide information on each species for which relevant action has been undertaken

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with the full AEWA species list]

Projects for selected species

For selected species

[Tick mark] Re-establishment plan developed and being implemented

Please provide information on the time frame and the objectives of the project. Please provide a web link or attach a file, if available. Please provide contact details of any person or organisation coordinating its implementation. Please list any activities and/or achievements over the past triennium.

Has your country informed the AEWA Secretariat in advance of this re-establishment project? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.4)

[Tick mark] yes

Please specify when and how

[Tick mark] no

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Re-establishment plan being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date

Has your country informed the AEWA Secretariat in advance of this re-establishment project? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.4)

[Tick mark] yes

Please specify when and how

[Tick mark] no

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] No plan in place, but the idea of re-establishment is being considered

Please provide information

[Tick mark] NO

18. Has your country used the AEWA Guidelines on the translocation of waterbirds for conservation Purposes?

[Tick mark] YES

Please explain

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What was used instead as a basis for dealing with the issue?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 4. Re-establishments

3.5. Introductions

19. Does your country have legislation in place, which prohibits the introduction into the environment of non-native species of animals and plants which may be detrimental to migratory waterbirds? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.5.1)

[Tick mark] Yes, and being enforced

Please provide the following details: title of legislation, year of adoption, institution that adopted it, institution that enforces it. Please clarify whether legislation applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces.

[Tick mark] Yes, but not being enforced properly or at all

Please provide the following details: title of legislation, year of adoption, institution that adopted it, institution that enforces it, including reasons for non-enforcement. Please clarify whether legislation applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces.

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date of the process

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

20. Does your country impose legislative requirements on zoos, private collections, etc. in order to avoid the accidental escape of captive animals belonging to non-native species which may be detrimental to migratory waterbirds? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.5.2)

[Tick mark] Yes, and being enforced

Please provide the following details: title of legislation, year of adoption, institution that adopted it, institution that enforces it. Please clarify whether legislation applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces.

[Tick mark] Yes, but not being enforced properly or at all

Please provide the following details: title of legislation, year of adoption, institution that adopted it, institution that enforces it, including reasons for non-enforcement. Please clarify whether legislation applies to/is consistent throughout the entire country or only to particular states/provinces.

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date of the process

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

21. Does your country have in place a National Action Plan for Invasive Species (NAPIS) (in the framework of other MEAs, such as CBD, Bern Convention, and GISP (Global Invasive Species Programme) (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 1, Target 1.5)?

[Tick mark] Yes, and being implemented

Has consideration been given to waterbirds in the NAPIS?

[Tick mark] Yes, fully

[Tick mark] Partially

[Tick mark] Not

[Tick mark] Yes, but not being implemented properly or at all

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date of the process

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

22. Has your country considered, developed or implemented programmes to control or eradicate non-native species of waterbird so as to prevent negative impacts on indigenous species? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.5.3)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide information on each species for which relevant action has been undertaken

Please choose from this list

[Dropdown menu with the alien waterbird species identified within the AEWA area]

Control or eradication programme for selected species

For selected species

[Tick mark] Control or eradication programme developed and being implemented

When was the programme approved and published? Please provide a web link or attach a file, if available. Please provide contact details of any person or organisation coordinating its implementation. Please list any activities and/or achievements over the past triennium.

Field for additional information (optional)

[Tick mark] Control or eradication programme developed, but not being implemented properly or at all

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

[Tick mark] Control or eradication programme being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date

Field for additional information (optional)

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Not applicable

Please explain

23. Has your country considered, developed or implemented programmes to control or eradicate other non-native species (in particular aquatic weeds) so as to prevent negative impacts on migratory waterbirds? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.5.3 and Resolution 5.15)

[Tick mark] YES

Please list the non-native species for which relevant action has been undertaken

Please provide further information for each relevant programme

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Not applicable

Please explain

24. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines on avoidance of introductions of non-native waterbird species](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please explain

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What was used instead as a basis for dealing with the issue?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Optionally you can provide additional information on section V Introductions

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES
4. HABITAT CONSERVATION

4.1. Habitat Inventories

25. Has your country identified the network of all sites of international and national importance for the migratory waterbird species/populations listed on Table 1? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 3.1.2)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide full reference, e.g. title, year, authors, etc. or a web link

[Tick mark] Partially

Please describe the progress

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected date of finalisation

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

26. If your country has identified or is currently identifying the networks of sites of international and national importance, were the [AEWA Guidelines on the preparation of site inventories for migratory waterbirds](#) used?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What has been used instead as a basis for the inventory?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Field for additional information (optional)

Optionally, you can provide additional information on section 5.I. Habitat Inventories

4.2. Conservation of Areas

27. Has your country assessed the future implications of climate change for protected areas and other sites important for waterbirds (i.e. resilience of sites to climate change)? (Resolution 5.13)

For one or more single sites

Yes/No

If yes, please give details as to where relevant information about these assessments has been published (either as publications or web-link).

For national protected area network

Yes/No

If yes, please give details as to where relevant information about these assessments has been published (either as publications or web-link).

28. Which sites that were identified as important, either internationally or nationally, for Table 1 migratory waterbird species/populations have been designated as protected areas under the national legislation and have management plans that are being implemented, including with the aim to increase resilience to the effects of climate change? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 3.2.1, AEWA Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 1, Target 1.2)

Please report separately on internationally important sites, nationally important sites and buffer zone

[Tick mark] Reporting on designation and management of internationally important sites

Sites of international importance (sites recognized as having international importance for migratory waterbirds following criteria of, for instance, the AEWA Critical Site Network, the Ramsar Convention, the EU Birds Directive (SPAs), the Bern Convention Emerald Network, the BirdLife International's Important Bird Areas)

Total number

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Total area (ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Number of internationally important sites under national protection designation

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field

Area of international importance under national protection designation (ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Internationally important protected sites with management planning in place which is being implemented

Number of sites

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Area (in ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Internationally important sites with management planning in place which is being implemented and includes management objectives related to maintaining or increasing the resilience of existing ecological networks, including resilience to climate change

Number of sites

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Area (in ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

[Tick mark]

Reporting on designation and management of nationally important sites

Sites of national importance (excludes the sites already reported above as internationally important)

Total number

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Total area (ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Number of nationally important sites under national protection designation

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field

Area of national importance under national protection area designation

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Nationally important protected sites with management planning in place which is being implemented

Number of sites

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Area (in ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Nationally important sites with management planning in place which is being implemented and include management objectives related to maintaining or increasing the resilience of existing ecological networks, including resilience to climate change

Number of sites

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Area (in ha)

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

[Tick mark]

Reporting on establishing buffer zones around waterbird sites (as an approach for maintaining or increasing resilience of ecological networks, including resilience to climate change)

Has your country identified around which nationally or internationally important sites the establishment of buffer zones is needed to maintain or increase resilience?

YES

Number of sites that have been identified to be in need of the establishment of buffer zones around them

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Total area (ha) of buffer zones to be established

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Number of areas with established and adequately managed buffer zones

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

Total area (ha) of established and adequately managed buffer zones

Note: You can only enter numeric values in this field.

NO

Please explain the reasons (text field)

NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain why it is not applicable to your country (text field)

Examples of best practice (optional)

If any site, in your opinion, represents an outstanding process of management planning or implementation, please highlight it as an example of best practice (alternatively provide a web link or attach a file)

29. Has your country developed national action plans for filling gaps in designation and/or management of internationally and nationally important sites? (Resolution 5.2)

DESIGNATION GAP FILLING

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide full reference or a web link, as well as details concerning the process and the status of this plan

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected date of finalisation

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

MANAGEMENT GAP FILING

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide full reference or a web link, as well as details concerning the process and the status of this plan

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected date of finalisation

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

30. Has your country developed a strategic plan (independently or as part of your country's overarching biodiversity or protected area policy document) to maintain or increase the resilience of the ecological network (for waterbirds), including resilience to climate change, and to conserve range and ecological variability of habitats and species? (Resolution 5.2, AEWA Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 1, Target 1.2)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide full reference or a web link, as well as details concerning the process and the status of this plan

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected date of finalisation

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

31. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines on the management of key sites for migratory waterbirds](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

329. Has the [Critical Site Network \(CSN\) Tool](#) for the AEWA area been accessed and used in your country?

[Tick mark] YES

Please give examples of how the CSN Tool has been used

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 5.II. Conservation of Areas

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES
5. MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN ACTIVITIES

5.1. Hunting

33. Does your country have an established system for the collection of harvest data, which covers the species listed in Table 1? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.3)

[Tick mark] YES

Does it cover the following? (Tick where applicable and provide details)

[Tick mark] All AEWA species occurring in your country

[Tick mark] Only some AEWA species occurring in your country

[Tick mark] The whole territory of your country

[Tick mark] Only part of the territory of your country

[Tick mark] All harvesting activities

[Tick mark] Only some harvesting activities

[Tick mark] Other

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

34. Has your country phased out the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.4)

[Tick mark] Fully

When was lead shot use in wetlands banned?

What legislation is in place?

Who enforces this legislation?

[Tick mark] Partially

When was lead shot use in wetlands partially banned?

What legislation is in place?

Who enforces this legislation?

What proportion of the country's territory (or wetlands) is covered by the ban?

Has your country introduced self-imposed and published timetable for banning fully the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands?

[Tick mark] yes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] no

Please explain the reasons

Has assessment of compliance with the legislation been undertaken?

[Tick mark] yes

Please explain how this was assessed.

Please explain what the compliance with legislation was found to be:

Excellent (full compliance – 100%)

Good (almost full compliance)

Moderate (more compliance than non-compliance)

Poor (more non-compliance than compliance)

Very poor (high proportion of non-compliance).

Please indicate any known reasons for good compliance or any barriers to compliance. Please attach any published or unpublished references

[Tick mark] no

If appropriate, please explain the reasons for not doing this

Has measurement of impact of the legislation been undertaken i.e. where there was a problem of lead poisoning in waterbirds, has this been reduced?

[Tick mark] yes

Please explain how this was done. Please attach any published or unpublished references

[Tick mark] no

If appropriate, please explain the reasons for not doing this

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons and barriers to introduction of legislation

Has your country introduced self-imposed and published timetable for banning fully the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands?

[Tick mark] yes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] no

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Not applicable

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

35. Are there measures in your country to reduce/eliminate illegal taking? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.6)

[Tick mark] YES

How would you rate the effectiveness of the measures?

[Tick mark] High

[Tick mark] Moderate

[Tick mark] Low

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

36. Are legally binding best practice codes and standards for hunting (e.g. bird identification) considered a priority or appropriate for your country? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 2, Target 2.4)

NO

Please explain the reasons

YES

Are there legally binding best practice codes or standards in place?

No

Please explain the reasons

Yes

What do these cover?

Proficiency test for hunters (including bird identification)

Club Affiliation

Game Management Plans

Other (please specify)

Optionally [Please upload links or examples]

37. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines on sustainable harvest of migratory birds](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What other guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

Optionally, you can provide additional information on section 6.I. Hunting

5.2. Other human activities

38. Have restrictions on use of lead fishing weights been introduced in your country? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.3.12). When answering this question please also consider question 56 in chapter 6 - Research and monitoring.

[Tick mark] YES

Please describe what restrictions are in place, when they were introduced and whether they are considered to have worked (i.e. reduced the impact of lead poisoning). Please attach any published or unpublished references.

[Tick mark] NO

If appropriate, please provide further details.

39. Does your country have legislation in place, which provides for Strategic Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Assessment (SEA/EIA) of activities potentially negatively affecting natural habitats or wildlife? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.3.1)

[Tick mark] Yes and being implemented

Does this legislation apply to the entire country or only to particular states/provinces thereof?

[Tick mark] Entire country

[Tick mark] Only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details

Do the SEA/EIA processes consider waterbirds and habitats on which they depend?

[Tick mark] Yes

[Tick mark] No

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details

Do the SEA/EIA processes include public participation?

[Tick mark] Yes

[Tick mark] No

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Yes, but not being implemented properly or at all

Please explain the reasons.

Does this legislation apply to the entire country or only to particular states/provinces thereof?

[Tick mark] Entire country

[Tick mark] Only to particular states/provinces

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date

Will this legislation apply to the entire country or only to particular states/provinces thereof?

- [Tick mark]* Entire country
- [Tick mark]* Only to particular states/provinces
- [Tick mark]* Other

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Other

Please explain

Field for additional information (optional)

40. In the last three years, has your country used SEA/EIA for all relevant projects, including energy sector projects such as renewable energy developments and power lines installation, to assess the impact of proposed projects on migratory waterbird species listed on Table 1 and/or habitats/sites on which they depend? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.3.1, Resolution 5.11 and Resolution 5.16)

[Tick mark] Yes, all proposed projects

Please provide information on the outstanding cases

Where an SEA/EIA has identified a likelihood of significant negative impacts on migratory waterbirds, have steps been taken to avoid these impacts, including avoidance of protected areas and other sites of importance for migratory waterbirds?

[Tick mark] Yes

Please describe the measures put in place

[Tick mark] Partially

Please describe the measures put in place

[Tick mark] No

Please explain why not

[Tick mark] Partially (some projects only)

Please provide information on the projects where potential impact on migratory birds has not been assessed

Where an SEA/EIA has identified a likelihood of significant negative impacts on migratory waterbirds, have steps been taken to avoid these impacts, including avoidance of protected areas and other sites of importance for migratory waterbirds?

[Tick mark] Yes

Please describe the measures put in place

[Tick mark] Partially

Please describe the measures put in place

[Tick mark] No

Please explain why not

[Tick mark] No (not any)

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide explanation

[Tick mark] Information not available

Please provide explanation

Field for additional information (optional)

41. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines on how to avoid, minimize or mitigate impact of infrastructural developments and related disturbance affecting waterbirds?](#)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What other guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

42. Please report on the implementation of Resolution 5.11 on Power Lines and Migratory Waterbirds.

42.1. Are relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, scientific bodies, non-governmental organisations and the energy sector, being regularly consulted in order to monitor jointly the impacts of power lines on waterbirds and to agree on a common policy of action?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

42.2. Have a baseline of waterbird distribution, population sizes, migrations and movements (including those between breeding, resting and feeding areas) been established as early as possible in the planning of any power line project, over a period of at least five years, and with particular emphasis on those species known to be vulnerable to electrocution or collision; and, if such studies identify any risks, has every effort been made to ensure these are avoided?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

42.3. Have the location, route and direction of new power lines been designated on the basis of national zoning maps; and has, wherever possible, the construction of power lines along major migration flyways and in habitats of conservation importance¹ been avoided, where such construction is likely to have significant effects on waterbirds?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

42.4. Are bird-safe designs in the construction of new power infrastructure, including measures designed to reduce electrocution and collisions being used in your country?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

¹Such as Special Protection Areas under the EU Birds Directive, Important Bird Areas, protected areas, Ramsar sites, the West/Central Asian Site Network for Siberian Crane and other waterbirds and other critical sites as identified by the Critical Site Network (CSN) Tool for the African-Eurasian region.

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

42.5. Have those sections of existing power lines that are causing relatively high levels of waterbird injury and/or mortality due to electrocution and/or collision been identified and modified as a matter of priority?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

42.6. Is there in your country regular monitoring and evaluation of the impact of power lines on waterbird populations at the national scale, as well as of the effectiveness of mitigation measures put in place to minimise the impact of power lines on waterbird populations?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

42.7. Have the measures contained in Resolution 5.11. been included in your country's National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans and relevant legislation?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

43. Has your country used the AEWA Guidelines on how to avoid or mitigate impact of electricity power grids on migratory birds in the African-Eurasian region?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What other guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

44. Please report on the implementation of Resolution 5.16 on Renewable Energy and Migratory Waterbirds.

44.1. Has a national sensitivity and zoning mapping to avoid overlap of renewable energy developments with areas of importance for migratory waterbirds been developed in your country?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

44.2. Please describe what international environmental guidelines, recommendations and criteria are being followed in your country for renewable energy developments' impact assessment and the utilization of renewable energy sources.

44.3. Is post-construction monitoring being undertaken of the renewable energy installations and associated infrastructure in your country?

[Tick mark] YES

Has adverse effect on migratory waterbirds and their habitats been identified?

[Tick mark] YES

Are mitigation measures being implemented?

Please share information and lessons learnt from the post-construction monitoring and mitigation measures.

[Tick mark] NO

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

44.4. Where damage cannot be avoided or mitigated, has compensation for damages to biodiversity been provided?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

44.5. Please indicate whether any of the following measures have been put in place to reduce the potential negative impact of terrestrial and marine windfarms on migratory waterbirds:

Tick box

operate wind farms in ways that minimise bird mortality, for example by introducing short-term shutdowns during peak migration and minimising lighting in wind farms

Tick box

dismantling of wind turbines in existing installations, should waterbird mortality have an effect on the population status of a species and other mitigation measures have proved insufficient

Tick box

focusing research efforts on alleviating the negative effects on waterbirds from wind farms, such as the mapping of the main migration corridors and migration crossings for waterbirds also allowing the optimising of wind farm layouts

Tick box

Other

Please specify

44.6. Have any specific measures been put in place to assess, identify and reduce potential negative impacts of biofuel production on migratory waterbirds and their habitats?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

44.7. Have the measures contained in Resolution 5.11. been included in your country's National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans and relevant legislation?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity?

45. Has your country used the following [AEWA Guidelines - Renewable Energy Technologies and Migratory Species: Guidelines for Sustainable Deployment](#) (Resolution 6.11)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What other guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

46. Is by-catch of waterbirds in fishing gear taking place in your country? (Resolution 3.8)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No information

When and how does your country intend to fill this information gap?

[Tick mark] Not applicable

Please explain

Field for additional information (optional)

47. Has your country undertaken steps towards the adoption/application of measures to reduce the incidental catch of seabirds and combat Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported (IUU) fishing practices in the Agreement Area? (Resolution 3.8)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide short description of all actions

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Not applicable

Please explain

Field for additional information (optional)

48. Please report on the implementation of Resolution 5.12 on Adverse Effects of Agrochemicals on Migratory Waterbirds in Africa (this question is applicable only to Contracting Parties in Africa).

48.1. Have relevant government authorities developed and implemented regulations on the trade and application of agrochemicals known to have a direct or indirect adverse effect on waterbirds?

[Tick mark] YES and being implemented

Please provide details

[Tick mark] YES, but not being implemented

Please explain why not

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

48.2. Is the use of such agrochemicals regulated around nationally and internationally important sites for migratory waterbirds, particularly in wetlands, also taking into account run-offs from agriculture affecting aquatic ecosystems?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

48.3. Are there any steps undertaken to control or reduce the use of avicides in areas frequented by populations listed in Table 1 of the Agreement?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

48.4. Have education and training activities been implemented for relevant target groups on the proper use of agrochemicals that may have possible adverse effect on waterbirds?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 6.II. Other Human Activities

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES
6. RESEARCH AND MONITORING

49. Does your country have waterbird monitoring schemes for the AEWA species in place? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 3, Target 3.2)

[Tick mark] YES

Covering the breeding period

(Guidance: Including pre- and post-breeding sites of concentration, such as moulting sites close to breeding areas)

[Tick mark] Fully

(Guidance: All waterbird species are covered by monitoring schemes that yield statistically robust estimates of breeding population size and trend at least once in every triennium.)

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Partially

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No monitoring schemes in place

Please explain the reasons

Covering the passage period

[Tick mark] Fully

(Guidance: All internationally and nationally important sites for passage birds are comprehensively covered at least monthly in the passage period.)

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Partially

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No monitoring schemes in place

Please explain the reasons

Covering the non-breeding/wintering period

[Tick mark] Fully

(Guidance: All internationally and nationally important non-breeding/wintering sites are covered at least by one comprehensive annual count.)

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Partially

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No monitoring schemes in place

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

50. Has your country supported, technically or financially, other Parties or Range States in designing appropriate monitoring schemes and developing their capacity to collect reliable waterbird population data? (Resolution 5.2)

YES

Which country(ies) were supported?

Please provide details

CONSIDERING TO PROVIDE SUPPORT

Which country(ies) are being considered for support?

Please provide details

NO

Please explain the reasons

51. Has your country used the [AEWA Guidelines for a waterbird monitoring protocol](#)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

52. Have any research programmes been established in your country in the last 5 years to address waterbird conservation priorities in accordance with the AEWA strategies and plans? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 3, Target 3.3)

[Tick mark] YES

Please list those programmes and indicate which AEWA priorities they are addressing

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons.

53. List (or provide links to lists) of research related to waterbirds and their conservation that has been undertaken or results published in the past triennium (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 3, Target 3.5)

Field for additional information (optional)

54. Has your government provided over the past triennium funds and/or logistical support for the International Waterbird Census at international or national level? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 3, Target 3.1)

[Tick mark] YES

Nationally

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain reason

Internationally

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain reason

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain reason

Field for additional information (optional)

55. Has your country donated funds to the African-Eurasian Waterbird Monitoring Partnership Fund in the past triennium (Resolution 6.3)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain reason

56. Has the impact of lead fishing weights on waterbirds been investigated in your country? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.3.12). When answering this question please also consider question 38 in chapter 5 – Management of human activities.

[Tick mark] YES

Is there evidence of negative impact on waterbirds from lead fishing weights in your country?

[Tick mark] YES

Please select from the list the AEWA species which is/are affected

Drop down list

Please list any additional non-AEWA species which is/are affected.

Please describe the significance of the impact. Please attach any published or unpublished references

[Tick mark] NO

Please provide further details. Please attach any published or unpublished references

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide further details. Please attach any published or unpublished references

[Tick mark] NO

Are there plans to investigate the impact of lead fishing weights on waterbirds in your country?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide further details

[Tick mark] NO

Please provide reason(s)

Optionally you can provide additional information on section 7. Research and Monitoring

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES
7. EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

7.1. Communication, Education and Public Awareness

57. Has your country developed and implemented programmes for raising awareness and understanding on waterbird conservation and about AEWA specifically? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 4, Target 4.3 and AEWA Action Plan, paragraphs 6.1-6.4, Resolution 3.10, Resolution 5.5)

(Guidance: Such programmes should consist of a series of established, long-term communication activities, which are guided by clearly defined goals, target audiences and communication channels. A programme does not constitute a single, one-off communication activity, product or event. In other words, an established national programme to raise awareness and understanding on waterbird conservation and about AEWA would ideally be a number of targeted communication activities which are guided by a communication plan and are backed by sufficient human and financial resources.)

[Tick mark] Yes, being implemented

Please describe the awareness programmes which have been developed. Please upload any relevant sample materials which have been developed and add contact details of a contact person for each programme.

Does the programme specifically focus on AEWA and the provisions of its Action Plan?

Yes/No

[Tick mark] Yes, but not being implemented

Please explain reasons

Does the programme specifically focus on AEWA and on the provisions of its Action Plan?

Yes/No

[Tick mark] Being developed

Please provide starting date and expected finalisation date of the development process. Please add contact details of a contact person for each programme

Will the programme specifically focus on AEWA and on the provisions of its Action Plan?

Yes/No

[Tick mark] No

Please explain reasons

[Tick mark] Other

Please explain reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

58. Has a National AEWA Focal Point for Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) been nominated by your country? (Resolution 5.5)

YES / IF YES – see expanded questions below

#1 Expanded Question

Is the National CEPA Focal Point from the government or non-governmental sector?

OPTION 1: Government

OPTION 2: Non-Governmental

#2 Expanded Question

Has the AEWA CEPA Focal Point begun coordinating national implementation of the Communication Strategy?

YES

Please provide details

NO

Please explain reasons

#3 Expanded Question

How can the cooperation between the appointed AEWA CEPA Focal Point and the Ramsar CEPA Focal Points be described?

OPTION 1: They are the same person

OPTION 2: There is very close cooperation

OPTION 3: There is some cooperation

OPTION 4: There is no cooperation

NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

59. Have measures been taken by your country to implement the provisions related to “Education and Information” in the AEWA Action Plan over the last triennium? (AEWA Action Plan, Paragraphs 6.1-6.4)

[Tick mark] YES – SEE EXPANDED QUESTIONS BELOW

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

IF YES Expanded Question

Please indicate which measures have been taken:

a. National training programmes have been arranged for personnel responsible for implementing AEWA

[Tick mark] YES – SEE EXPANDED QUESTIONS BELOW

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

IF “Yes “is ticked, the following pops up:

How can the effectiveness of the measures be rated?

[Tick mark] High

[Tick mark] Moderate

[Tick mark] Low

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details

Field for additional information (optional)

b. Training programmes and materials have been developed in cooperation with other Parties and/or the Agreement Secretariat

[Tick mark] YES – SEE EXPANDED QUESTIONS BELOW

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

IF “Yes “is ticked, the following pops up:

How can the effectiveness of the measures be rated?

[Tick mark] High

- Moderate
- Low
- Other

Please provide details

Field for additional information (optional)

c. AEWA related information and training resources have been exchanged with other Parties and/or shared with the Agreement Secretariat

- YES – SEE EXPANDED QUESTIONS BELOW
- NO

Please explain the reasons

IF “Yes “is ticked, the following pops up:

How can the effectiveness of the measures be rated?

- High
- Moderate
- Low
- Other

Please provide details

Field for additional information (optional)

d. Specific public awareness campaigns for the conservation of populations listed in Table 1 have been conducted

- YES – SEE EXPANDED QUESTIONS BELOW
- NO

Please explain the reasons

IF “Yes “is ticked, the following pops up:

How can the effectiveness of the measures be rated?

- High
- Moderate
- Low
- Other

Please provide details

Field for additional information (optional)

60. Have World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) activities been carried out in your country during this reporting cycle? (Resolution 5.5)

YES

Please describe the activity/activities briefly and upload any sample materials, links or photos available related to the activity/event.

NO

Please explain the reasons

61. Has your country provided funding and/or other support, as appropriate (e.g. expertise, network, skills and resources) towards the implementation of the AEWA Communication Strategy? Please consider both national and international funding and different types of support provided. (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 4, Target 4.1 and Resolution 3.10, Resolution 5.5)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain reason

Field for additional information (optional)

IF YES (Continued – Expanded)

Has this funding or support been on the national or international level?

OPTION: National Level Funding and Support

Please provide details

OPTION: International Funding and Support (through the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat)

Please provide details

Has your country provided any funding or support towards the implementation of priority communication activities listed in the AEWA Strategic Plan 2009 – 2017 (Resolution 5.5)?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain reason

IF YES – Expand to tick box question:

Please specify (tick) which priority activities your country has provided funding or support to (Target 4.2 in AEWA Strategic Plan 2009 – 2017):

- Regional Training of Trainers (ToT) Workshop for CEPA
- National CEPA Training (follow-up to ToT, conducted by the people who attended the Regional ToT Workshop for CEPA)
- Establishment of a Regional Centre for the exchange of information on AEWA
- Improvement of the AEWA Website
- Production of the AEWA Newsletter (Printed and Electronic Version)
- Creation of an E-Forum (Infrastructure for e- discussion)
- Creation of a flexible AEWA Toolkit

62. In Resolution 3.10 the Meeting of the Parties encouraged Contracting Parties to host AEWA Exchange Centres for their respective regions. Has your country considered/shown interest in hosting a Regional AEWA Exchange Centre? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 4, Target 4.2 and Resolution 3.10)

[Tick mark] Yes, considered and is interested

[Tick mark] Yes, considered, but is not interested

[Tick mark] It is currently considering

[Tick mark] Not considered yet

[Tick mark] Not applicable, an AEWA Exchange Centre already exists in our region

[Tick mark] Other

Please provide details on the answer given above

Field for additional information (optional)

63. Training for CEPA (Communication, Education and Public Awareness) at national level is supposed to be conducted by staff who have been trained in the framework of an AEWA Training of Trainers programme. Have staff who were trained as part of a Training of Trainers workshop conducted national CEPA training in your country in the past triennium? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 4, Target 4.2)

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Being planned

When is it being planned for? Please provide contact details of a contact person.

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] Other

Please explain

Field for additional information (optional)

Optionally can provide additional information on section 8.I. AEWA Communication Strategy

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES

8. IMPLEMENTATION

64. Has your country approached non-contracting party range states to encourage them to accede to the Agreement? (Resolution 3.10)

Report only on activities over the past triennium

[Tick mark] YES

Please list all non-contracting parties, which were approached, and describe each case, including achieved progress

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

65. Has your country supported/developed international co-operation projects for the implementation of the Agreement, according to the priorities outlined in the [AEWA International Implementation Tasks \(IIT\)](#) for the current triennium? (Resolution 6.13)

[Tick mark] YES

Please list the IIT projects ([see the full roster here](#)) to which grants have been provided or for which initiatives have been undertaken and briefly provide any relevant information

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

66. Does your country have in place a national coordination mechanism for implementation of AEWA, possibly linking to national coordination mechanisms for other biodiversity Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 5, Target 5.7)

(Guidance: Such mechanism can be a dedicated cross-institutional working group, involving representatives of the civil society and other relevant stakeholders, aimed at planning, coordinating and reporting the implementation of the Agreement in the country. Alternatively, the implementation of AEWA at national level can be coordinated as an extension of larger national coordination mechanisms for other MEAs, such as National Ramsar Committees or CBD NBSAPs coordination.)

[Tick mark] Yes, it is operational on a regular basis

Please provide details

[Tick mark] Yes, but it is not operational

Please explain the reasons

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

67. Has your country concluded, or considered concluding, twinning schemes between sites with other countries, the sites of which share common migratory waterbirds or conservation issues? (Resolution 5.20)

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide details on each twinning arrangement

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

68. Are those officers in your country's government responsible for AEWA implementation co-ordinated and engaged with national processes to implement and to assess delivery of the CBD Strategic Plan 2011-2020 including the Aichi targets?

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

69. Are the AEWA priorities incorporated into your county's National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plan (NBSAP) and other strategic planning processes (Resolution 6.3)?

69.1. NBSAP

[Tick mark] Yes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

69.2 Other strategic planning processes

[Tick mark] Yes

Please name the other strategic planning processes

Please provide details

[Tick mark] No

Please explain the reasons

70. Please report any activity undertaken to promote with the development agency of your country or other appropriate governmental body the relevance of AEWA implementation in the context of SDG-delivery and to stress the need to better integrate actions for waterbird and wetland conservation within relevant development projects (Resolution 6.15).

[Tick mark] AEWA relevance for SDG implementation WAS promoted

Please provide details

[Tick mark] AEWA relevance for SDG implementation was NOT promoted

Please explain the reasons

71. How would your country suggest promoting further links between the biodiversity MEAs to which your country is a Contracting Party, so as to make your work more efficient and effective?

72. Has your country donated funds to the AEWA Small Grants Fund over the past triennium? (Strategic Plan 2009-2017, Objective 5, Target 5.4)

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details, including amount of funds donated to the SGF

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

73. Has your country donated other funding or provided in-kind support to activities coordinated by the Secretariat?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details, including amount of funds donated

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Field for additional information (optional)

74. Please report on the implementation of Resolution 6.21 on Resource mobilisation for the implementation of AEWA.

74.1 Did your country's government provide in the last triennium financial and/or in-kind resources to support national activities which are intended to achieve the objectives of this Agreement, particularly those in line with the AEWA Strategic Plan including the AEWA Plan of Action for Africa, and in accordance with your national plans, priorities and programmes?

[Tick mark] YES

Please describe the resources provided

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

74.2 Does your country's government have unpaid dues to the AEWA Trust Fund (annual assessed contributions to the Agreement's budget as approved by each session of the Meeting of the Parties)?

[Tick mark] YES

How many annual contributions are outstanding?

When are they going to be settled?

[Tick mark] NO

74.3 Has your country's government provided funding to support and enhance the implementation by developing countries, in particular least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as countries with economies in transition, of their obligations under AEWA, and the implementation of the AEWA Plan of Action for Africa 2012-2017? Under this question please report for support provided outside of formal and established intergovernmental cooperation. For the latter, please refer to the next question 71.4.

[Tick mark] YES

Please describe the resources provided

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

74.4 Does your country's government participate in any South-South, North-South or triangular cooperation to enhance financial and technical support for the successful implementation of AEWA activities?

[Tick mark] YES

Please describe each cooperation arrangement

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

74.5 Does your country's government use innovative financing mechanisms for implementing the AEWA Strategic Plan such as a (national) Migratory Waterbirds Fund?

[Tick mark] YES

Please describe each used mechanism

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

74.6 Does the implementation of AEWA in your country benefit from synergies between biodiversity-related conventions at national level, amongst others, through information sharing on potential funding opportunities and sharing of financial resources such as the Desertification Fund, Green Climate Fund, the Adaptation Fund, and the Global Environmental Facility?

[Tick mark] YES

Please describe each synergetic arrangement and acquired benefits

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons

Optionally can provide additional information on section 9. Implementation

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9. CLIMATE CHANGE

75. Please outline relevant climate change research, assessments and/or adaptation measures that are relevant to migratory waterbirds and which have been undertaken or planned in your country (Resolution 5.13)

- a. Research and studies of climate change impacts on waterbirds

(Tick Box) Undertaken

Please provide references or web links to any such work so as to facilitate their use as potential case-studies to assist other Contracting Parties

(Tick Box) Planned

Please provide details

(Tick Box) No relevant activities

Please explain the reasons

- b. Assessment of the potential vulnerability to climate change of key habitats used by waterbird species (including those outside protected area networks) (Please note that the question asks about habitats, rather than sites. Question 27 in Section 5, sub-section 5.2 investigates vulnerability of sites to climate change)

(Tick Box) Undertaken

Please provide references or web links to any such work so as to facilitate their use as potential case-studies to assist other Contracting Parties

(Tick Box) Planned

Please provide details

(Tick Box) No relevant activities

Please explain the reasons

- c. Assessment of the potential vulnerability of waterbird species to climate change.

(Tick Box) Undertaken

Please provide references or web links to any such work so as to facilitate their use as potential case-studies to assist other Contracting Parties

(Tick Box) Planned

Please provide details

(Tick Box) No relevant activities

Please explain the reasons

d. Review of relevant national conservation policies relevant to waterbirds and climate change.

(Tick Box) Undertaken

Please provide references or web links to any such work so as to facilitate their use as potential case-studies to assist other Contracting Parties

(Tick Box) Planned

Please provide details

(Tick Box) No relevant activities

Please explain the reasons

e. National Action Plan for helping waterbirds adapt to climate change (as a separate implementation process or as part of a larger national framework for biodiversity adaptation to climate change. Please note that Question 28 in Section 5, sub-section 5.2 investigates national measures for increasing resilience of the ecological network for waterbirds to climate change).

(Tick Box) Undertaken

Please provide references or web links to any such work so as to facilitate their use as potential case-studies to assist other Contracting Parties

(Tick Box) Planned

Please provide details

(Tick Box) No relevant activities

Please explain the reasons

f. Other undertaken or planned relevant activities.

(Tick Box) Yes

Please specify and provide details. Please provide references or web links to any such work so as to facilitate their use as potential case-studies to assist other Contracting Parties

(Tick Box) No

76. Has your country used the AEWA Guidelines on measures needed to help waterbirds to adapt to climate change?

[Tick mark] YES

Please provide details

[Tick mark] NO

Please explain the reasons. What other guidance has been used instead?

[Tick mark] NOT APPLICABLE

Please explain

PRESSURES AND RESPONSES

10. AVIAN INFLUENZA

77. What issues have proved challenging in responding nationally to the spread of the Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in the last triennium and what further guidance or information would be useful in this respect?

List challenges

List required further guidance or information

Field for additional information (optional)

Optionally can provide additional information on section 10. Avian Influenza

11. CONFIRMATION

Confirmation of information verification and approval for submission.

***Please confirm:**

In addition, a scanned copy of an official letter from the relevant state institution, approving the report for submission, can be attached.

[Tick mark] I declare that the information provided in the Report on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2015-2017 has been verified and the report has been approved for submission by the appropriate state institution in the country.

***Date of submission**