



## **Report on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2018-2020**

The format for reports on the implementation of the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds (AEWA) for the period 2018-2020 was approved by the 7th Session of the Meeting of the Parties (MOP7, 4-8 December 2018, Durban, South Africa) through Resolution 7.1 and modified by the Standing Committee at its 15th meeting (11-13 December 2019, Bristol, UK) as mandated by the MOP. This format has been compiled following the AEWA Annex 3 (Action Plan), the AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027 and resolutions of the MOP.

In accordance with article V(c) of the Agreement on the Conservation of African-Eurasian Migratory Waterbirds, each Party shall prepare to each ordinary session of the MOP a National Report on its implementation of the Agreement and submit that report to the Agreement Secretariat. By Resolution 7.1 of the MOP the deadline for submission of National Reports to the 8th Session of the MOP was set at 180 days before the opening date of MOP8, which was scheduled to take place on 5-9 October 2021 in Hungary; therefore the deadline for submission of National Reports was Thursday 8 April 2021.

As per Resolution 7.1 of the MOP, Chapter 3 of the National Report Format for MOP8 reports was developed as a stand-alone online reporting module, which was administered through a separate reporting process on the population status of AEWA-listed (native) and non-native species of waterbirds for the period 2013-2018. This reporting process was concluded on 30 June 2020 as agreed by MOP7. Therefore, this report does not contain Chapter 3.

The AEWA National Reports 2018-2020 were compiled and submitted through the AEWA Online National Reporting System, which is part of the broader CMS Family Online Reporting System. The CMS Family Online Reporting System was developed by the UNEP-World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) in close collaboration with and under the guidance of the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat.

# 1. General Information

## **Name of reporting Contracting Party**

>>> Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

## **Date of entry into force of AEWA in the Contracting Party**

>>> 01/11/1999

**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).**

**EU member states should list also all reservations entered by the European Commission on behalf of the European Union.**

>>> None

## 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.

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Please select from the list below as appropriate.

The National Focal Point (NFP) has been designated as the National Respondent

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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.

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## 4. Species Conservation

### 4.1 Legal Measures

**1. Following MOP7, was a review undertaken in your country of the relevant domestic legislation against the provisions of the latest version of the Agreement text and its annexes, including Table 1 in Annex III, taking into account all amendments adopted by MOP7? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Actions 1.1 (a), 1.1 (b), 2.2(a) and 2.2(b))**

No

Please explain the reasons

>>> No comments in strategic plan

**2. 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)?**

**See Appendix 1 / Appendix 2 / Appendix 3**

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No

Please explain the reasons

>>> The national legislation cover main species under AEWA

**3. Please confirm the protection status under your country's national legislation of the AEWA Table 1, Column A populations that are regularly occurring in your country (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.1; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 1.1 ).**

#### **Guidance on responding to this question:**

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2- Fill in the Excel template comprehensively;

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You have attached the following documents to this answer.

[Jordan\\_Q3\\_AEWA\\_NR\\_2018-2020\\_PopCoIA.xlsx](#)

**4. Please confirm whether there is an open hunting season for the AEWA Table 1, Column A, category 2 or 3 with an asterisk or category 4 populations that are regularly occurring in your country (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.1; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 1.1).**

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**5. Please confirm whether taking is regulated for the AEWA Table 1, Column B populations that are regularly occurring in your country (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.2; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 1.1).**

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**6. Please indicate if any of the following modes of taking are prohibited in your country: snares, limes, hooks, live birds which are blind or mutilated used as decoys, tape recorders and other electronic devices, electrocuting devices, artificial light sources, mirrors and other dazzling devices, devices for illuminating targets, sighting devices for night shooting comprising an electronic image magnifier or image converter, explosives, nets, traps, poison, poisoned or anesthetic baits, semi-automatic or automatic weapons with a magazine capable of holding more than two rounds of ammunition, hunting from aircraft, motor vehicles, or boats driven at a speed exceeding 5 km p/h (18 km p/h on the open sea), other non-selective modes of taking. (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.1.2(b); AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 1.1)**

Yes, one or more modes of taking have been prohibited

### Please provide details to each mode of taking in the list below:

Snares

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

Limes

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

Hooks

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

Live birds which are blind or mutilated used as decoys

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

Tape recorders and other electronic devices

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

Electrocuting devices

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Artificial light sources

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Mirrors and other dazzling devices

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Devices for illuminating targets

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Sighting devices for night shooting comprising an electronic image magnifier or image converter

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Explosives

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Nets

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Traps

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Poison

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Poisoned or anaesthetic baits

Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

#### Semi-automatic or automatic weapons with a magazine capable of holding more than two rounds of ammunition

No

#### Please explain the reasons

>>> Semi-automatic or automatic weapons with 5-cartridge holding magazines are allowed

#### Hunting from aircraft, motor vehicles, or boats driven at a speed exceeding 5 km p/h (18 km p/h on the open sea)

Yes, fully



Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

Other non-selective modes of taking

Yes, fully

Please specify which other non-selective modes of taking have been prohibited

>>> None

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited

>>> Hunting Law No.12 Year 2015

**7. 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); AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 1.1)**

No

**8. 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; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 1.1)**

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No

9. Has a review of enforcement of and compliance with the domestic legislation relevant for AEWA implementation, [in particular the legislation which caters for the obligations under paragraphs 2.1 and 4.1 of the AEWA Action Plan], been undertaken in your country after MOP7? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Actions 1.1(c) and 2.2(c))

No

Please explain the reasons

>>> A review of enforcement of and compliance with the domestic legislation is undertaken regularly however it is not in reference to AEWA implementation

Was a review undertaken before MOP7?

No

**10. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on National Legislation for the Protection of Species of Migratory Waterbirds and their Habitats?**

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Yes

Please provide details.

>>> This has been used in the implementation of SSAPs for species that occur in the country

## **4.2. Species Action and Management Plans**

**11. 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), listed below, into National Action or Management Plans. (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 2.2; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 1.2 (d))**

**Please report on all listed ISSAP, ISSMP and IMSAP**

**Ferruginous Duck / Aythya nyroca**

**National Plan for Ferruginous Duck / Aythya nyroca**

No NP and no action implemented

**Corncrake / Crex crex**

**National Plan for Corncrake / Crex crex**

No NP and no action implemented

**Great Snipe / Gallinago media**  
**National Plan for Great Snipe / Gallinago media**

No NP and no action implemented

**Black-winged Pratincole / Glareola nordmanni**  
**National Plan for Black-winged Pratincole / Glareola nordmanni**

No NP and no action implemented

**Eurasian Spoonbill / Platalea leucorodia**  
**National Plan for Eurasian Spoonbill / Platalea leucorodia**

No NP and no action implemented

12. Has your country provided assistance for the coordination and implementation of International Species Action or Management Plans through funding of AEWA International Species Working and Expert Groups? (Resolution 7.5)

No

13. Has your country provided financial or in-kind assistance for the development of new International Species Action or Management Plans? (Resolution 7.5)

No

14. Has a review and prioritization been undertaken in your country of the resources needed to develop national action plans in response to ISSAPs, implement those plans and coordinate their implementation? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 1.2(g))

No

**15. 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)**

No

**16. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines for the preparation of National Single Species Action Plans for migratory waterbirds?**

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No

### **4.3 Emergency Measures**

**17. 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.

Emergency situation has occurred

**Please provide information on each emergency situation which occurred**

If the emergency situation is not available in the drop-down list above, choose the option "Other emergency" below:

Other Emergency

Please specify the kind of emergency:

>>> Electrocution and collision with the electrocution being the principal reason.

Indicate when the emergency situation took place.

>>> Autumn 2020

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

>>> Northwest Jordan at Al-Ikaider Landfill (32 30 17 N, 36 06 15 E)

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

**White Stork / Ciconia ciconia**

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

>>> > 1000

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

< 10%

If mortality has been recorded, indicate number of individuals.

>>> Approximately 150

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

< 10%

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

>>> The site of the incident is a landfill and therefore no specific habitat was affected.

Have emergency response measures been implemented?

Yes

Please provide details.

>>> An insulation of all pylons that have caused fatalities were insulated in coordination between RSCN, BirdLife International, Ministry of Environment and Irbid Electricity Distribution Company

**18. 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?**

No

**19. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on identifying and tackling emergency situations for migratory waterbirds?**

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No

**4.4 Re-establishments**

**20. 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)**

No

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

No

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

No

**23. Has your country used the AEWA conservation Guidelines on the translocation of waterbirds for conservation purposes?**

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No

## 4.5 Introductions

**24. 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)**

No

**25. 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)**

Yes, and being enforced

Please provide the following details: title of the document, 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.

>>> Agriculture Law No. 44 of the year 2002 is the enacted and under enforcement law concerning wildlife hunting in the country. Wildlife hunting regulatory Bylaws issued under the umbrella of this law are:

- Bylaw No. (Z/34) for the year 2003 that regulates bird and wildlife protection, hunting and trade. This bylaw was issued in accordance to article No. 57, paragraph (A) of the Provisional Agriculture Law No (44) for the year 2002.

- Bylaw No. 43 for the year 2008 that categories bird and wildlife that are band from hunting according to its level of protection. This bylaw was issued in accordance to article No. 57, paragraph (H) of the Provisional Agriculture Law No (44) for the year 2002.

- Bylaw No (H/34) for the year 2009 that includes instructions of regulating the International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora by virtue of Article (57) of paragraph (A) of the Provisional Agriculture Law No (44) for the year 2002.

**26. 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)**

Not applicable

**27. Has your country considered, developed or implemented programmes to control or eradicate other non-native species (in particular aquatic weeds and terrestrial predators) so as to prevent negative impacts on migratory waterbirds? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraphs 2.5.3 and 4.3.10 and Resolution 5.15)**

Not applicable

**28. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on avoidance of introductions of non-native waterbird species?**

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Not applicable

## 4.6 Seabirds

The country has maritime territories and the AEWA seabird conservation priorities are relevant for the country:

No

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## 5. Habitat Conservation

### 5.1 Habitat Inventories

**39. 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; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 3.1(a))**

Yes

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

>>> Jordan has identified a network of important bird areas that has a big value for the protection of birds specially during their migration and in protecting habitats important for the breeding of important bird species.

27 Important bird areas were identified by a study made by the RSCN and BirdLife office in Amman in the year 2000.

In 1978 a complete survey took place through the mission lead by Clark to identify important habitats and ecosystems that need to be conserved. The study revealed that there are 12 important sites to be protected.

**40. If your country has identified or is currently identifying the networks of sites of international and national importance, were the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on the preparation of site inventories for migratory waterbirds used?**

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Yes

Please provide details

>>> the following wetland IBAs are protected in Jordan

Yarmouk River

Samra Sewage station

Burqu

Azraq ( Ramsar Site)

Mujib

Aqaba

### 5.2. Conservation of Areas and Habitats

**42. 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 2019-2027, Target 3.3)**

Please report separately on internationally important sites, nationally important sites and buffer zones.

Reporting on designation and management of internationally important sites

**45. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on the management of key sites for migratory waterbirds?**

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Yes

**46. Has the Critical Site Network (CSN) Tool for the AEWA area been accessed and used in your country? (Resolution 7.9)**

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Yes

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## 6. Management of Human Activities

### 6.1. Hunting

**49. Does your country have an established system for the collection of harvest data, which covers the species/populations listed in Table 1? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.3; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 2.1(b))**

Yes

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

Only some AEWA species occurring in your country

Field for additional information (optional)

>>> The hunting process is monitored and controlled through the Law enforcement section in the RSCN enforced by a police network.

**50. Has your country phased out the use of lead shot for hunting in wetlands? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.4; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 2.2(d))**

No

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

No

**51. Are there measures in your country to reduce/eliminate illegal taking? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.6; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 2.2(e))**

Yes

How would you rate the effectiveness of the measures?

Moderate

Please provide details

>>> Rangers move around the country monitoring and making sure that no one is violating the law. The rangers have a legal status to confiscate and issue tickets for the law breakers to be fined later.

**55. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on sustainable harvest of migratory birds?**

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No

### 6.3. Other human activities

**59. 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; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 3.5)**

Yes and being implemented

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

Yes

Please provide details

>>> Before beginning any project that might have a negative impact on the Environment, an Environmental Impact Assessment EIA must be presented to the Ministry of Environment in order get the approval of the project.

The Ministry of Environment has the right to request an Environmental Impact Assessment EIA from projects, companies and corporations that have already been established before the issue of this law and practice activities that have a negative impact on the Environment in order to assure that environment protection measures have been taken into account.

Do the SEA/EIA processes include public participation?

Yes

61. 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; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 3.5(b))

Yes, all proposed projects

68. Is by-catch of waterbirds in fishing gear taking place in your country? (Resolution 3.8) (Please respond to this question only with respect to species, which are NOT considered seabirds. Seabird by-catch is dealt with in section 4.6 Seabirds)

Not applicable

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### 7. Research and Monitoring

71. Does your country have in place waterbird monitoring schemes for the AEWA species? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Actions 1.4(a) and 1.4(b))

Yes

Field for additional information (optional)

>>> 2001-now: A national water bird census is carried out in order to provide a scientific base for decisions of the hunting committee. Results of the national water bird census will be included in two of the most important publications about water birds in the world "Numbers and distribution of wintering water birds in the Western Palearctic and Southwest Asia", and "Waterbird Population Estimates". Both publications are issued regularly by Wetlands International.

**74. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on waterbird monitoring?**

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Yes

75. Has your government provided over the past triennium funds and/or logistical support for the International Waterbird Census and/or other waterbird monitoring scheme at international or national level? (Resolution 6.3)

No



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## 8. Education and Information

### 8.1. Communication, Education and Public Awareness

79. 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; Resolution 6.10)

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.

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.

>>> The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature provides training on the research and handling of birds as a part of the ringing training programs.

The education and public awareness element of the Migrating birds know no boundaries project is considered to be a success in this field. It was designed so that it can reach the largest number of school children with the help of the Nature Clubs initiated and run by the RSCN.

Another important activity of the same project is having cameras placed in nest boxes and connected directly to the internet. This is used for the students and other interested viewers to stress on the importance of the area for breeding and nesting birds and specially during the migration season. In addition to that RSCN has designed and prepared a Bird Guide for students drawn and printed in colors to encourage children to observe and identify the different types of birds and relate them to the different habitats.

On another hand the Law and enforcement Section at the RSCN has prepared a Guid for the Hutable species . The guide describes the hutable species so that it will not be mixed up with other species and to identify the exact bag limits of each type and the exact places for hunting.

83. 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 and/or towards priority CEPA activities in the AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027? Please consider both national and international funding and different types of support provided. (Resolution 6.10)

No

## **12. 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.

I declare that the information provided in the Report on the implementation of AEWA for the period 2018-2020 has been verified and the report has been approved for submission by the appropriate state institution in the country.

#### **Date of submission**

>>> 19th Feb 2012