

# 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 standalone 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**

>>> Republic of Uzbekistan

Date of entry into force of AEWA in the Contracting Party

>>> 01/04/2004

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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Full name of the institution

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Name and title of the CEPA NFP

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# Designated National Respondent (DNR) in charge of the compilation and submission of the AEWA National Report 2018-2020

Please select from the list below as appropriate.

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

# **Pressures and Responses**

# 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))

#### Please indicate the outcome of this review

☑ Relevant national legislation was fully in line with the Agreement text and its annexes

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 >>> This action is planned

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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Uzbekistan Q3 AEWA NR 2018-2020 PopColA.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).

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

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Uzbekistan Q4 AEWA NR 2018-2020 PopColA-Cat2 3 4.xlsx

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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Uzbekistan Q5 AEWA NR 2018-2020 PopColB.xlsx

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 >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

#### Limes

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

#### Hooks

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

Live birds which are blind or mutilated used as decoys 
☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> This method of hunting can be regarded as cruelty to animals - article 111 of the Administrative Code of the Republic of Uzbekistan

Tape recorders and other electronic devices 
☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

### Electrocuting devices

☑ Yes, fully

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#### Artificial light sources

☑ Yes, fully

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#### Mirrors and other dazzling devices

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

#### Devices for illuminating targets

☑ Yes, fully

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Sighting devices for night shooting comprising an electronic image magnifier or image converter  $\square$  No

### **Explosives**

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

#### Nets

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

#### Traps

✓ No

Poison

☑ Yes, fully

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Poisoned or anaesthetic baits

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

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

☑ Yes, fully

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On weapons" no. 550 07/29/2019

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 >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020 Resolution of the Chairman of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection "On approval of the rules of hunting and fishing in the territory of the Republic of Uzbekistan" dated May 2, 2006 No. 1569

Other non-selective modes of taking

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  Yes, fully

Please specify which other non-selective modes of taking have been prohibited >>> Hunting in Uzbekistan could be taken just with smooth-bore weapons or nets. But it is possible to use any types

Please indicate the legislation under which the mode of taking is prohibited >>> Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On hunting and hunting economy" No. 627 07/08/2020

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)

 $\ \ \square$  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

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.

>>> There are 3 Ramsar Site For 5 wetland are close hunting during winter season. Two National Protected Areas have been established in the last two years, in Wetlands of International Importance (IBA). Monitoring of waterfowl was included in a number of legislative acts. Moreover In the process of implementation the following action plans: analyse existing legislation, deciding on the type of legislation required to fill gaps in AEWA's implementation, inventory migratory waterbird habitats,

#### Optionally you can provide additional information on section 4.1. Legal Measures

>>> The legislation in Uzbekistan develop in the case of international affairs of nature conservation

### 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

### Lesser White-fronted Goose / Anser erythropus National Plan for Lesser White-fronted Goose / Anser erythropus

☑ No NP, but actions implemented

#### Please provide a description of the actions implemented

>>> Every year, the State Committee for Ecology of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Uzbekistan Society for the Protection of Birds at IBA monitors wintering birds, including Anser erythropus.

Anser erythropus is included in the national Red Book of Uzbekistan as a vulnerable, naturally rare, migratory species. Taking it is prohibited, which is controlled by the inspection staff of the State Committee for Ecology. In 2018, Anser erythropus was declared the Bird of the Year in Uzbekistan. This campaign was supported by the international Anser erythropus working group under the AEWA Safeguarding the Lesser White-fronted Goose Agreement.

In order to educate hunters about the differences between the lesser white-fronted goose and the white-fronted goose, the Uzbekistan Society for the Protection of Birds published a short field guide and a poster showing a lesser white-fronted goose and a white-fronted goose in flight and on the ground. These materials in Russian and Uzbek languages are distributed free of charge among hunters and all interested parties.

Please rate the degree of current implementation of the plan taking into account the time schedule of the ISSAP

☑ Moderate implementation – some of the actions are underway as per the time schedule of the ISSAP

## 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

Please explain the reasons

>>> This species leads a very secretive lifestyle and is not at risk of being taken. It stays in Uzbekistan only during migrations, for a short period. In this connection, there is no need to develop an action plan for it.

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

☑ No NP and no action implemented

#### Please explain the reasons

>>> The presence of this species in Uzbekistan is not threatened due to its single encounters.

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

☑ No NP, but actions implemented

#### Please explain the reasons for having no NP in place

>>> There is no need to develop a specific action plan for the species, since the protection of this species is included in the managment plans of the national protected areas, which are the habitats of the species.

### Please provide a description of the actions implemented

>>> It is included in the Red Book of the Republic of Uzbekistan. Taking is prohibited. Protected in the Akpetki-Sudochye nature reserve and the South Ustyurt national park. As part of the inventory of rare animals in the Aral Sea region, monitoring is carried out.

Please rate the degree of current implementation of the plan taking into account the time schedule of the ISSAP

☑ Moderate implementation – some of the actions are underway as per the time schedule of the ISSAP

### Eurasian Curlew / Numenius arquata National Plan for Eurasian Curlew / Numenius arquata

☑ No NP, but actions implemented

Please explain the reasons for having no NP in place >>> Not enough specialists

#### Please provide a description of the actions implemented

>>> In 2019 it was included in the Red Book of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The protection of this species is included in the managment plans of the national protected natural territories in which the species lives. It is protected in the Sudochye, Karakyr, Tuzkan, Dengizkul reserves.

Please rate the degree of current implementation of the plan taking into account the time schedule of the ISSAP

☑ Moderate implementation - some of the actions are underway as per the time schedule of the ISSAP

## White-headed Duck / Oxyura leucocephala National Plan for White-headed Duck / Oxyura leucocephala

☑ No NP, but actions implemented

Please explain the reasons for having no NP in place >>> Not enough specialists

#### Please provide a description of the actions implemented

>>> It is included in the Red Book of the Republic of Uzbekistan. A new protected natural area "Akpetki-Sudochie" has been created, where the species nests. White-headed duck protection was included in the management plan for this area. It is also protected in Dengizkul and Arnasay ornithological reserves. At Lake Dengizkul, the white-headed duck is also protected as part of the biodiversity conservation action plan developed by Lukoil.

Monitoring is carried out annually on the reservoirs where the white-headed duck winters.

Please rate the degree of current implementation of the plan taking into account the time schedule of the ISSAP

☑ Moderate implementation – some of the actions are underway as per the time schedule of the ISSAP

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

☑ No NP, but actions implemented

Please explain the reasons for having no NP in place

>>> Not enough specialists

Please provide a description of the actions implemented

>>> It is included in the Red Book of the Republic of Uzbekistan. A new protected natural area "Akpetki-Sudochie" has been created. It is also protected in Dengizkul, Arnasay, Karakyr ornithological reserves.

Please rate the degree of current implementation of the plan taking into account the time schedule of the ISSAP

☑ Moderate implementation - some of the actions are underway as per the time schedule of the ISSAP

# Dalmatian Pelican / Pelecanus crispus National Plan for Dalmatian Pelican / Pelecanus crispus

☑ NP in place, but not being implemented properly or at all

Please explain the reasons for the lack if implementation. When was the plan approved and published? Please provide a web link or attach a file, if available.

>>> Lanovenko E., Shernazarov E., Filatov A.

Curly Pelican (Pelecanus crispus Bich.).

Action plans for the conservation of globally threatened species in Uzbekistan. Central Asian region. - Tashkent, 2014.36p.

Field for additional information (optional)

>>> Protected in wildlife preserves (Lake Sudochie); during migrations, migration and wintering (Arnasai, Karakyr, Dengizkul).Regular winter monitoring is carried out on the main wetlands

# Sociable Lapwing / Vanellus gregarius National Plan for Sociable Lapwing / Vanellus gregarius

☑ NP in development

Field for additional information (optional)

>>> It is expected that the action plan will be developed and submitted to state bodies within the framework of the project "Development and implementation of a program for monitoring and protection of globally threatened species in the key biodiversity area" Talimarjan reservoir ", which is carried out by the NGO" Uzbekistan society for the protection of birds ".

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)

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

#### Uzbekistan

#### **Dalmatian Pelican / Pelecanus crispus**

### National Single Species Action Plan for Dalmatian Pelican / Pelecanus crispus

☑ NSSAP in place and being implemented

Please provide details

>>> Lanovenko E., Shernazarov E., Filatov A.

Curly Pelican (Pelecanus crispus Bich.).

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Tashkent, 2014.36p.

# 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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✓ Yes

### 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, earthquacke, 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 occured in the country over the past triennium.

☑ Emergency situation has occurred

#### Please provide information on each emergency situation which occured

#### **Extreme** weather

Indicate when the emergency situation took place

>>> Cold winter 2020-2021, with temperature indicators not typical for the region (up to -20 C). From the second half of December to the second half of January, most wetlands, where birds wintering were covered with ice.

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

>>> Throughout the country, with the exception of the southern regions

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

✓ No

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

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Yes

Please provide details

>>> We used the Guidelines in monitoring programms of wetlands in Uzbekistan

your country so that they can be used in future in emergency cases?

#### 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)

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

✓ Yes

Please provide details

>>> DECISION OF THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN "ON APPROVAL OF THE STRATEGY FOR CONSERVATION OF BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY IN THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN FOR THE PERIOD OF 2019-2028" No. 484 11.06.2019

DECREE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN "ON APPROVAL OF THE CONCEPT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN UNTIL 2030" No. 5863 30.10.2019

- 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) 
  ☑ №
- **23.** Has your country used the AEWA conservation Guidelines on the translocation of waterbirds for conservation purposes?

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☑ Not applicable

#### 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)

☑ 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.

>>> LAW OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN "ON PROTECTION AND USE OF THE ANIMAL WORLD" No. 408 09/19/2016

LAW OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN "ON PROTECTION AND USE OF THE PLANT WORLD" No. 40909/21/2016

The State Committee for Ecology of the Republic of Uzbekistan is the controlling body

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)

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  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.

>>> Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan "on the regulation of the use of biological resources and on the procedure for passing licensing procedures in the field of environmental management" No. 290 dated 20.10.2014

Resolution of the State Committee of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Nature Protection, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Uzbekistan "on the approval of the rules for keeping wild animals in settlements" No. 2373 06/21/2012

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)

✓ No

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)

✓ No

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

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## Please provide details

>>> In case of Law of Animals conservation in Uzbekistan nobody could not introduse non-native species.

### 4.6 Seabirds

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

☑ No

# Pressures and Responses 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
>>> The program "Important Bird Area Uzbekistan" of Bird Life International is being realized in Uzbekistan
since 2005. It has made observations of all large wetlands in Uzbekistan.
Three Ramsar Sites have been identified.

Have you reviewed, confirmed and communicated to the AEWA Secretariat after MOP7 the inventory of known nationally and internationally important sites in your country? 
☑ Yes

Please confirmed when this process was concluded and when the inventory was communicated to the AEWA Secretariat

>>> Emailed to Mr Sergey Dereliev on 4 January 2021 as part of the Inventory confirmation process for sites of national and international importance for populations of migratory waterbirds listed on Table 1 of AEWA's Annex 3

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

#### 5.2. Conservation of Areas and Habitats

41. 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

☑ No

For the national protected area network

√ No

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

### All 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

Total area (ha) >>> 2672240

Number of internationally important sites under national protection designation >>> 8

Please rate the effectiveness of the national protection designation

☑ Moderate

Internationally important protected sites with a management plan in place which is being implemented Number of sites

>>> **3** 

Please rate the effectiveness of the management measures

☑ Moderate

Internationally important sites with a management plan 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

>>> **3** 

Please rate the effectiveness of the climate resilience measures

☑ Moderate

#### **DESIGNATION GAP FILLING**

☑ Being developed

#### MANAGEMENT GAP FILING

☑ Being developed

44. Is the network of nationally and internationally important sites for migratory waterbirds integrated into your country's water- and land-use policies and planning and decision-making processes? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 3.4)

☑ Yes, partially

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

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# 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

Please give examples of how you have used the CSN Tool

>>> The CSN Tool was used to compile the Inventory confirmation process for sites of national and international importance for populations of migratory waterbirds listed on Table 1 of AEWA's Annex 3

47. Following MOP7, has your country been involved in the establishment of innovative, international, multi-stakeholder partnerships to guide the development and implementation of habitat management, creation and restoration projects in the wider environment? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 4.4(a)) ☑ Yes

Have a specific project or projects been established under the partnership arrangement(s) to implementation of habitat management, creation and restoration projects in the wider environment? 
☑ Being developed

# Pressures and Responses 6. Management of Human Activities

### 6.1. Hunting

48. Does the legislation of your country implement the principle of sustainable use of waterbirds, as envisaged in the AEWA Action Plan, taking into account the full geographical range of the waterbird populations concerned and their life history characteristics? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.1; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 2.2) 
☑ Yes

Please provide details on how this is achieved and reference to the relevant legislation >>> Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan "on the regulation of the use of biological resources and on the procedure for passing licensing procedures in the field of environmental management" No. 290 dated 20.10.2014

# 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))

Does it cover the following? (tick where applicable and provide details) 
☑ Only some AEWA species occuring in your country

Does it cover the following? (tick where applicable and provide details) 
☐ The whole territory of your country

Does it cover the following? (tick where applicable and provide details) 
☐ All forms of waterbird harvesting

Field for additional information (optional)

>>> Hunters and scientific organizations conduct accounts of number of hunting species and upon termination of the hunting season information on acutally extracted animals is given.

# 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?  $\square$  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))

How would you rate the effectiveness of the measures?  $\ \square$  High

### Please provide details

>>> For illegal taking, fines are provided in accordance with the Administrative Code of the Republic of Uzbekistan. Environmental inspectors monitor the prevention of illegal taking

- 52. Does your country maintain an adequate system for making realistic estimates of the number of waterbirds taken illegally? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 2.1(b)) 
  ☑ Partially
- 53. Is legally binding proficiency testing for hunters, including amongst other things bird identification, in place in your country? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.8; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 2.2) ☑ Yes

Please provide details and reference to the relevant legislation

>>> Upon receipt of a hunting ticket, a hunting minimum is surrendered, in which there are a number of similar questions

# 54. Are best practice codes and standards for hunting in place in your country in support of enforcement of hunting laws and regulations? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.1.7; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 2.3)

√ No.

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

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✓ Not applicable

#### 6.2. Ecotourism

56. Is wetland- and waterbird-related ecotourism integrated into your country's national tourism development strategies or other relevant national strategies? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.2.1; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 2.5(c)) 
☑ Yes

#### Please describe and provide details

>>> Development and implementation of measures aimed at the development of tourism around the lakes Aydarkul (Jizzakh and Navoi regions), Tudakul (Navoi region) and Uchkizil (Surkhandarya region) based on the results of an inventory of territories and objects that are attractive of the development of tourism. Decree of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On additional measures for the accelerated development of tourism in the Republic of Uzbekistan" No. 5611 01/05/2019

57. Are there existing ecotourism initiatives in your country specifically based on migratory waterbirds and their habitats? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 2.5) 
☑ No

#### 6.3. Other human activities

58. 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 78 in chapter 7 - Research and monitoring.

✓ No

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

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

#### Please provide details

>>> Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan dated September 7, 2020 No. 541 "On further improvement of the mechanism for assessing environmental impact."

Do the SEA/EIA processes include public participation? 

☐ Yes

#### Please provide details

>>> Any planned economic activity in a national protected natural area, in particular that may entail negative impacts, is prohibited by law. If the activity is planned in another territory and has negative impacts, an appropriate decision is made depending on their degree. If it is possible to avoid or mitigate impacts, a biodiversity conservation plan is developed.

60. Are there any other legal and/or administrative measures in your country to avoid, mitigate and compensate for adverse impacts of development activities on the sites of national and international importance for migratory birds? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 3.5)

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

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?

☑ Partially

- 62. Do you maintain a record of the cases of adverse impacts of development activities and other pressures on sites of national and international importance for migratory waterbirds in your country? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 3.5(a)? 
  ☑ No
- 63. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on how to avoid, minimize or mitigate impact of infrastructural developments and related disturbance affecting waterbirds?

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

>>> Ramsar Resolution XI.9: An Integrated Framework and guidelines for avoiding, mitigating and compensating for wetland losses

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

- 64.1. Are relevant stakeholders, including government agencies, scientific bodies, nongovernmental 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?

  ☑ Partially
- 64.2. Has 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?

  ☑ Partially
- 64.3 If such studies, as described in the question above, have identified any risks, has every effort been made to ensure these are avoided? 
  ☑ Partially

### Please provide details.

>>> The oil company Lukoil, which operates near Dengizkul Lake (Ramsar site, IBA), has installed bird protection devices on power lines as part of a biodiversity conservation plan. In order to avoid the death of birds from a collision.

Also, since last year, state environmental organizations have obliged industrial enterprises to install bird protection devices on power lines. So far, this practice is at an early stage.

- 64.4. Have the location, route and direction of new power lines been designated on the basis of national zoning maps?
- ☑ Not Applicable
- 64.5. Has, wherever possible, the construction of power lines along major migration flyways and in habitats of conservation importance\* been avoided, where such construction is likely to have significant effects on waterbirds?
- \* such 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

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

#### Please provide details

>>> The oil company Lukoil, which operates near Dengizkul Lake (Ramsar site, IBA), has installed bird protection devices on power lines as part of a biodiversity conservation plan. In order to avoid the death of birds from a collision.

- 64.7. 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?

  ☑ Being identified
- 64.8. Where sections of existing power lines have been identified to cause relatively high levels of waterbird injury and/or mortality due to electrocution and/or collision, have they been modified as a matter of priority?

☑ Partially

- 64.9. Is there in your country regular monitoring and evaluation of the impact of power lines on waterbird populations at the national scale? 
  ☐ Partial
- 64.10. Is there in your country regular monitoring and evaluation of the effectiveness of mitigation measures put in place to minimise the impact of power lines on waterbird populations? 
  ☑ Partial
- 64.11. Have the measures contained in Resolution 5.11. been included in your country's National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans and relevant legislation? 
  ☑ No

Please explain the reasons. What are the constraints preventing implementation of this activity? >>> During the reporting period, no new power lines were installed in Uzbekistan.

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

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☑ Not applicable

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

- 66.1. 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? 
  ☐ Being developed
- 66.2. Have any international environmental guidelines, recommendations and criteria been followed in your country for impact assessment of renewable energy developments and the utilization of renewable energy sources?

Yes

Please describe which guidelines, recommendations and criteria have been followed. >>> ISO 14050 - 2009

66.3. Is post-construction monitoring being undertaken of the renewable energy installations and associated infrastructure in your country? 
☑ Not applicable

#### Please explain

>>> Currently, Uzbekistan is only at the stage of building renewable energy sources. Previously, this direction was not developed.

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

☑ Not applicable

Operate wind farms in ways that minimise bird mortality, for example by introducing shortterm shutdowns during peak migration and minimising lighting in wind farms.

☑ Not applicable

#### Please explain the reasons

>>> There are no industrial windfarms in Uzbekistan

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. 

✓ Not applicable

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.

✓ Not applicable

66.6. 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? 
☑ Not applicable

#### Please explain

>>> Biofuel is not produced in Uzbekistan

66.7. Have the measures contained in Resolution 5.11. been included in your country's National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans and relevant legislation? 
☑ No

67. Has your country used the following AEWA Conservation Guidelines - Renewable Energy Technologies and Migratory Species: Guidelines for Sustainable Deployment (Resolution 6.11)? Notice: Before clicking on the above hyperlink, please keep pressing the **Ctrl button** on your keyboard to open the link in a new tab.

☑ Not Applicable

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-catchis dealt with in section 4.6 Seabirds)

Yes

#### Please provide details

>>> In 2020, the following bird species were found in the fishing gear: Pelecanus crispus (2), Fulica atra (3), Larus cachinnans (6), Larus genei (1).

Older data are available in the article: Mitropol'skiy M.G., Matekova G. Death of birds in fishing nets on the Sudochye wetland (South Aral Sea region, Karakalpakstan) // III International Scientific and Practical Conference "Problems of Rational Use and Protection of Biological Resources of the South Aral Sea Region". Nukus, 2010.S. 19-20.

70. Has any project / initiative been implemented in your country that promotes the integration of cultural and provisioning ecosystem services of migratory waterbirds into policy and decision-making affecting them or their habitats? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 2.6) ☑ No

# Pressures and Responses

# 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))

27 Yes

### Covering the breeding period

Guidance: Including pre- and post-breeding sites of concentration, such as moulting sites close to breeding areas 
☑ No monitoring schemes in place

#### Covering the passage period

☑ Partially

Please provide details. (incl. list the species covered OR not covered (whichever list is shorter)) >>> During the reporting period, monitoring of migrations of waterfowl was carried out only on the Aydar-Arnasay lake system s and Lake Dengizkul, which are Ramsar sites.

#### Covering the non-breeding/wintering period

☑ Fully [Guidance: Coverage is full when all internationally and nationally important non-breeding/wintering sites are covered at least by one comprehensive annual count.]

Please provide details.

>>> The species list in the attached file

You have attached the following documents to this answer.

monitoring birds list.docx

72. Is data collected through the International Waterbird Census or other relevant monitoring schemes being actively used in your country to inform national-level implementation of AEWA? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 1.5(a))

✓ No

#### Please explain the reasons

>>> Information obtained as a result of government or industrial monitoring is available and is used to implement the agreement. However, International Waterbird Census data is not available to government agencies.

73. 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)

✓ No

74. Has your country used the AEWA Conservation Guidelines on waterbird monitoring? Notice: Before clicking on the above hyperlink, please keep pressing the **Ctrl button** on your keyboard to

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☑ Not applicable

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

76. Has your country donated funds to the African-Eurasian Waterbird Fund in the past triennium (Resolution 6.3, Resolution 7.7)?

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✓ No

78. Has the impact of lead fishing weights on watebirds been investigated in your country? (AEWA Action Plan, paragraph 4.3.12). When answering this question please also consider question 58 in chapter 6 – Management of human activities.

✓ No

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

**Optionally you can provide additional information on section 7. Research and Monitoring** >>> According to the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On the approval of the strategy for the conservation of biological diversity in the Republic of Uzbekistan for the period 2019-2028" No. 484 dated 06/11/2019, one of the measures included monitoring the number of hunting bird species in the reservoirs of Uzbekistan, for the purpose of sustainable use, and for implementation AEWA This event is funded by extrabudgetary funds of the State Committee for Ecology of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

# Pressures and Responses 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.

☑ Being developed

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

>>> Meetings with local residents living in places of habitat of wild animals, pupils of schools, bodies of local management, hunters and fishers are held. At these meetings it is told about the animals demanding special protection, about places of their habitat. Posters and videos are shown and cognitive games with children are carried out.

- 80. Has a National AEWA Focal Point for Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) been designated by your country? (Resolution 5.5; Resolution 6.10) ☑ No
- 81. 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) ☑ No
- 82. 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.

>>> Several TV reports and films were filmed about migratory birds of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The video was broadcast on the state channel and social networks of the State Committee for Ecology

You have attached the following Web links/URLs to this answer.

http://https://t.me/IrinaECO/138

http://https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gSsbXXk3Uvo

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)

☑ Yes

Has this funding or support been on the national or international level? Please provide details in the corresponding box below 
☑ National Level Funding and Support

# Pressures and Responses 9. Implementation

84. Have you undertaken a national assessment of the resources needed for the delivery of the AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 5.6.(b))

☑ No

85. Has your country approached non-contracting party range states to encourage them to accede to the Agreement? (Resolution 3.10; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 5.2)

Report only on activities over the past triennium  $\ \square$  No

86. 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 2019-2027, Action 5.3(b))

**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.

87. Have you undertaken a national assessment of the capacity needs for AEWA implementation? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 5.3.(e)) 
☑ Yes

Have you developed a prioritized national action plan to fill significant capacity gaps in your country?  $\square$  No

- 88. 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) 

  No
- 89. Are those officers in your country's government responsible for AEWA implementation co-ordinated and engaged with national processes contributing towards the Aichi Targets and the assessment of achieving these targets? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 5.4(a))
- 90. Are those officers in your country's government responsible for AEWA implementation co-ordinated and engaged with national processes contributing towards the relevant Sustainable Development Goals and the assessment of achieving these goals? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 5.4(a))

  ☑ Yes
- 91. Are those officers in your country's government responsible for AEWA implementation co-ordinated and engaged with national processes to implementation and assess the delivery of the Strategic Plan for Migratory Species 2015-2023? (AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Action 5.4(a)) ☑ Yes

# 92. Are the AEWA priorities incorporated into your country's National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plan (NBSAP) and/or other similar strategic plans and policies (Resolution 6.3; AEWA Strategic Plan 2019-2027, Target 5.5)?

**92.1 NBSAP** 

✓ Yes

### Please provide details

>>> Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan "on the approval of the strategy for the conservation of biological diversity in the Republic of Uzbekistan for the period 2019-2028" No. 484 of 11.06.2019,

#### 92.2 Other strategic plans and policies

✓ No

#### Sustainable Development Goals

Yes

#### Please provide details

>>> DECREE OF THE CABINET OF MINISTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN "ON MEASURES TO IMPLEMENT NATIONAL GOALS AND TASKS IN THE FIELD OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE PERIOD UP TO 2030" No. 841 20.10.2018

Task 6.6. By 2030, protect and restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes.

Task 15.5. Take significant measures to curb the degradation of natural animal habitats, reduce the number of endangered species.

Task 15.8. Take measures to prevent the penetration of alien invasive species and to significantly reduce their impact on terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, as well as take measures to prevent the limitation of the number or destruction of their priority species.

Task 15.7. Take immediate action to end poaching and smuggling

#### Aichi Targets

Yes

#### Strategic Plan for Migratory Species

Yes

# 95. Has your country donated funds to the AEWA Small Grants Fund (SGF) over the past triennium? (Resolution 7.1)

✓ No

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

✓ No

97. Has your country prioritised and allocated a Junior Professional Officer (JPO) to the UNEP/AEWA Secretariat for Technical Committee support or for any other area of work? (Resolution 7.11, Resolution 7.12)

 $\ensuremath{\square}$  No, but has been prioritised and will be provided in future

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

98.1 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?

☑ Yes

#### Please describe the resources provided

>>> According to theResolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan "On the approval of the strategy for the conservation of biological diversity in the Republic of Uzbekistan for the period 2019-2028"

No. 484 dated 06/11/2019, one of the measures included the monitoring of hunting bird species in the reservoirs of Uzbekistan, for the purpose of sustainable use, and the implementation of the AEWA. This event is funded by extrabudgetary funds of the State Committee for Ecology of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

98.2 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)? 
☑ Yes

How many annual contributions are outstanding?

When are they going to be settled?

>>> This year

98.3 Has your country's government provided funding to support developing countries, in particular least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as countries with economies in transition, to meet their obligations under AEWA, and the implementation of the AEWA Plan of Action for Africa 2019-2027? Under this question please report for support provided outside of formal and established

intergovernmental cooperation. For the latter, please refer to the next question 98.4.  $\ \square$  No

98.4 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?

✓ No

98.5 Does your country's government use innovative financing mechanisms for implementing the AEWA Strategic Plan such as a (national) Migratory Waterbirds Fund? 
☑ No

98.6 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?

☑ Yes

# Pressures and Responses 10. Climate Change

# 99. 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  $\ \square$  Planned
- 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 41 in Section 5, sub-section 5.2 investigates vulnerability of sites to climate change)
- ☑ Planned
- c. Assessment of the potential vulnerability of waterbird species to climate change.
- ☑ Planned
- d. Review of relevant national conservation policies relevant to waterbirds and climate change.
- ✓ Planned
- 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 42 in Section 5, sub-section 5.2 investigates national measures for increasing resilience of the ecological network for waterbirds to climate change).

  ☑ Planned
- f. Other undertaken or planned relevant activities.

☑ No

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

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Yes

# 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**

>>> 12.04.2021