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**National Report for COP15**

**Actions requested:**

The Standing Committee is invited to review and approve the COP15 National Report form.

1. The Secretariat has prepared the annexed draft National Report form (NRF) for the 15th meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties (COP15), for the Standing Committee’s consideration.

2. In preparing the proposal for the COP15 NRF, the Secretariat sought to retain the overall structure and content of the NRF approved for COP14, with the reporting areas plotted against the goals and targets of the fourth Ramsar Strategic Plan (2016-2024) and COP14 Resolutions. Consistency with previous NRFs is important for continuity and to permit time-series analyses to report on progress in the long-term implementation of the Convention. Furthermore, as noted in Resolution XIV.4 on *Review of the fourth Strategic Plan of the Convention on Wetlands, additions for the period COP14-COP15 and framework for the fifth Strategic Plan*, the indicators to the NRF for COP15 remain unchanged, as the mid-term review of the fourth Strategic Plan found no need to adjust them.

3. The COP15 NRF consists of:

* **Section 1**, which provides the institutional information about the Administrative Authority and National Focal Points for the national implementation of the Convention;
* **Section 2**, in which the Party is invited to provide a “free text” summary of various aspects of progress in national implementation, and recommendations for the future. This section also contains questions on requests from COP decisions not contained in the fourth Strategic Plan;
* **Section 3**, which outlines 62 implementation indicator questions, grouped under four Goals and 17 Targets listed in the *Strategic Plan 2016-2024:2022 update*[[1]](#footnote-1), with optional requests for Parties to provide sources or links to additional information on the national implementation of that activity; and
* **Section 4**, whichis a voluntary section that offers the Contracting Parties the possibility of indicating the national priority for that area of activity as well as the level of resourcing available, or that could be made available during the triennium, for its implementation. In addition, there are specific boxes to indicate the national targets for implementation by 2025 and the planned national activities that are designed to deliver these targets.

4. Previous forms included, as Section 5, an optional section allowing Parties to provide additional information on designated Ramsar Sites. This section has been removed because it adds an unnecessary reporting burden for Parties, which already update and maintain such information in the Ramsar Sites Information Service (RSIS).

5. The Secretariat has reviewed comments and questions regarding the COP14 form submitted by Contracting Parties. Issues identified by Parties included duplication of questions, questions that were difficult to understand, and lack of clarity in questions enabling only a single response on multiple actions/interventions. Based on this feedback the Secretariat has modified some questions. These modifications will enhance clarity of questions, reduce redundancy and the workload for Parties while ensuring that COP15 data is comparable with that provided to previous COPs.

6. In line with paragraph 21 of Resolution XIV.12 on *Strengthening Ramsar connections through youth,* questions on youth have been added to Sections 1 and 2, including a request for information on a National Youth Focal Point.

7. The targets of the fourth Strategic Plan were developed to realize synergies with the Aichi Biodiversity Targets of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD). In 2022, the new Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF) was agreed. Paragraph 11 of Resolution XIV.4 instructs the Secretariat to update the existing Annex 2 of the fourth Strategic Plan to map the new Global Biodiversity Framework targets to align with the Ramsar Strategic Plan goals and targets.[[2]](#footnote-2) The COP15 NRF update provides Contracting Parties with an opportunity to indicate how the actions they are undertaking for the implementation of the Convention may be contributing to the new GBF.

8. The questions which make up the form, amended in line with the above considerations, are included as Annex 1 of the present document. Significant changes are marked up for clarity, with text that has been removed struck through, and new text underlined.

9. The form will be finalized and issued as soon as possible after the 62nd meeting of the Standing Committee. This will allow Parties to have the form early in the triennium to guide the ongoing implementation of the Convention and to prepare national targets to be submitted to the Secretariat alongside the national reports according to the terms of Resolution XII.2 on *The Ramsar Strategic Plan 2016-2024*. The deadline for submission of completed reports should remain nine months before each meeting of the COP; for the COP15 National Reports this would be in October 2024, should the Standing Committee accept the July 2025 date for COP15 proposed by the host country. This timetable will be confirmed once the dates for COP15 are established.

10. Contracting Parties are invited to submit National Reports through the online reporting system (ORS) at <https://reports.ramsar.org>. Submissions through the ORS reduce data transfer errors, facilitate timely compilation and analysis and contribute to overall efficiency and effectiveness of the reporting process. Online tutorials are shared with Parties on how to access and use the ORS.

11. Under exceptional circumstances Contracting Parties can submit National Reports in the Microsoft Word format, afterconsulting with the Secretariat through their regional team.

12. Background information, a summary of the purposes and uses of national reporting to the Conference of the Contracting Parties, an explanation of the form’s structure, and guidance for completing and submitting the form will be issued in each format.

13. The Standing Committee is invited to review and provide comments on the draft content of the COP15 National Report so that it can be finalized and issued to Parties.

**Annex 1**

**Proposed National Report to the Convention on Wetlands COP15**

**Section 1: Institu****tional information**

**Important note: The responses below will be considered by the Convention on Wetlands Secretariat as the definitive list of your focal points. All individuals listed below agree that the submitted information will be used to update the information in the Secretariat’s contact database and will be published on the public website** [**here**](https://www.ramsar.org/search?f%5b%5d=search_item_type%3Acontact&sort_bef_combine=title_ASC)**.**

**Name of Contracting Party:**

**Designated Administrative Authority for the Convention on Wetlands**

Name of Administrative Authority:

Head of Administrative Authority - name and title:

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**Designated National Focal Pointfor the Convention on Wetlands**

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**Designated Scientific and Technical Review Panel (STRP)** **National Focal Point (NFP)**

Name and title:

Name of organization:

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**Designated Government Communication, Capacity Building, Education, Participation and Awareness (CEPA)** **Programme** **National Focal Point (NFP)**

Name and title:

Name of organization:

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**Designated Non-Governmental Communication, Education, Participation and Awareness (CEPA)** **Programme National Focal Point**

Name and title:

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**Designated National Focal Point on Strengthening the Convention on Wetland’s Connections through Youth**

Name and title:

Name of organization:

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Email:

**Section 2****:** **General summary of national implementation progress and challenges**

**In your country, in the past triennium (i.e., since COP14 reporting):**

A. What have been the five main achievements of the implementation of the Convention since COP14?

1)

2)

3)

4)

5)

B. What have been the five main challenges in implementing the Convention since COP14?

1)

2)

3)

4)

5)

C. Please outline five priorities for implementing the Convention in your country during the coming triennium (2026-2028)

1)

2)

3)

4)

5)

D. Do you (AA) have any recommendations concerning implementation assistance from the Convention Secretariat?

E. Do you (AA) have any recommendations concerning implementation assistance from the Convention’s International Organization Partners (IOPs) (including ongoing partnerships and partnerships to be developed)?

~~F. How can national implementation of the Ramsar Convention be better linked with implementation of other multilateral environmental agreements (MEAs), especially those in the ‘biodiversity cluster’ (Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), Convention on Migratory Species (CMS), Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES), World Heritage Convention (WHC), and United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)?~~

~~G. How is the Ramsar Convention linked with the implementation of water policy/strategy and other strategies in the country (e.g., on sustainable development, energy, extractive industries, poverty reduction, sanitation, food security, biodiversity) and how this could be improved?~~

F. Please indicate the approximate percentage of men and women attending wetland-related discussions or meetings e.g., women X% and men Z% (Resolution XIII.18 on *Gender and wetlands*, paragraph 21).

G. On the basis of your indications above, list at least two possible areas where change is necessary for the achievement of gender equality.

H. Please describe one or two lessons learnt in the context of wetlands and gender equality work in your country.

I. If possible, please list gender-related policies, strategies and action plans relevant to wetlands in place in your country. Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

~~I. Do you (AA) have any other general comments on the implementation of the Convention?~~

J. Please list the strategies and actions your country is implementing to support youth participation in the implementation of the Convention’s Strategic Plan or in wetlands management (Resolution XIV.12 on *Strengthening Ramsar connections through youth*, paragraph 21).

K. Please list the names of the organizations which have been consulted on or have contributed to the information provided in this report.

**Section 3: Indicator questions and further implementation information**

**Goal 1. Addressing the drivers of wetland loss and degradation**

*[Reference* to *Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 6, 8, 11, 13, 14 and 15]*

***Target 1.*** *Wetland benefits are featured in national/local policy strategies and plans relating to key sectors such as water, energy, mining, agriculture, tourism, urban development, infrastructure, industry, forestry, aquaculture, fisheries at the national and local level.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 14]*

1.1 Have wetland issues/benefits been incorporated into other national strategies and planning processes, including: {1.3.2} {1.3.3} KRA 1.3.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not relevant

a) National policy or strategy for wetland management:

b) Poverty eradication strategies:

c) Water resource management and water efficiency plans:

d) Coastal and marine resource management plans:

e) Integrated coastal zone management plan:

f) National forest management plan/strategies:

g) National policies or measures on agriculture:

h) National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans drawn up under the CBD:

i) National policies on energy and mining:

j) National policies on tourism:

k) National policies on urban development:

l) National policies on infrastructure:

m) National policies on industry:

n) National policies on aquaculture and fisheries {1.3.3} KRA 1.3.i:

o) National plans of actions (NPAs) for pollution control and management:

p) National policies on wastewater management and water quality:

1.1 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here for policies or plans referenced above.

***Target 2.*** *Water use**respects wetland ecosystem needs for them to fulfil their functions and provide services at the appropriate scale inter alia at the basin level or along a coastal zone.*

## *[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 7, Sustainable Development Goal 6, Indicator 6.3.1]*

2.1 ~~Has the quantity and quality of water available to, and required by, wetlands been assessed to support the implementation of~~ Have the *Guidelines for allocation and management of water for maintaining the ecological functions of wetlands* and the additional guidance on tools and methodologies been brought to the attention of national ministries and/or agencies at different levels of territorial organizations (Resolutions VIII.1, VIII.2)? {1.2.4}

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

2.1 Additional information:

2.2 Have assessments of environmental flow been undertaken in relation to mitigation of impacts on the ecological character of wetlands (Action r3.4.iv)

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

2.2 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

~~2.3 What, if any, initiatives have been taken to improve the sustainability of water use (or allocation of water resources) in the context of ecosystem requirements across major river basins (Resolutions VIII.1 and XII.12 )?  (Action 3.4.6.)~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; O= No Change; X= Unknown~~

~~2.3 Additional information:~~

2.3 Have the designation or management of Ramsar Sites improved the sustainable use of water (e.g. reduced drainage, reduced use of pesticides, controlled pollution etc.) in your country?

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; O= No Change; X= Unknown

2.3 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

2.4 Have the Guidelines for allocation and management of water for maintaining ecological functions of wetlands (Resolutions VIII.1 and XII.12 ) been used/applied in decision-making processes? (Action 3.4.6.)

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

2.4 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

2.5 Have projects that promote and demonstrate good practice in water allocation and management for maintaining the ecological functions of wetlands been developed (Action r3.4.ix. )

A=Yes; B=No; C=underway; D=Planned

2.5 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

2.6 Does the country use constructed wetlands/ponds as wastewater treatment technology?

SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.

A= Yes, B= No; C= Partially, D=Planned X= Unknown; Y= Not relevant

~~2.5 Percentage of households linked to sewage system ? %~~[[3]](#footnote-3)

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~2.5 Additional information:~~

~~2.6 What is the percentage of sewerage coverage in the country?~~

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~E=# percent; F= Less than # percent; G= More Than # percent; X= Unknown; Y= Not Relevant~~

~~2.6 Additional information:~~

~~2.7 What is the percentage of users of septic tank/pit latrine if relevant to your country? SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~E=# percent; F=Less Than # percent; G= More Than # percent; X= Unknown; Y= Not Relevant~~

~~2.7 Additional information:~~

~~2.9 Number of wastewater treatment plants (or volume treated exist at national level)?~~

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~E= # plants; F= Less than #; G=More than #; X= Unknown; Y= Not Relevant~~

~~2.9 Additional information:~~

~~2.10 How is the functional status of the wastewater treatment plants? If relevant to your country~~

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~A=Good; B=Not Functioning; C=Functioning; Q=Obsolete; X= Unknown; Y= Not Relevant~~

~~2.10 Additional information:~~

~~2.11 The percentage of decentralized wastewater treatment technology, including constructed wetlands/ponds is?~~

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~A=Good; B=Not Functioning C=Functioning; Q=Obsolete; X= Unknown; Y= Not Relevant~~

~~2.11 Additional information:~~

~~2.12 Number of wastewater reuse systems (or volume re-used) and purpose?~~

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~2.12 Additional information:~~

~~2.13 What is the purpose of the wastewater reuse system if relevant to your country ?~~

~~SDG 6 Target 6.3.1.~~

~~R=Agriculture; S=Landscape; T=Industrial; U=Drinking; X= Unknown; Y=Not Relevant~~

~~2.13 Additional information: Please indicate if the wastewater reuse system is for free or taxed or add any additional information.~~

~~2.14 Does your country use a wastewater treatment process that utilizes wetlands as a natural filter while preserving the wetland ecosystem?~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; X= Unknown;~~

***Target 3.*** *Public and private sectors have increased their efforts to apply guidelines and good practices for the wise use of water and wetlands.* {1.10}

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 7, 10, 15, 16 and 18]*

3.1 Has your country put in place policies, including incentives, to encourage the private sector to apply the ~~Is the private sector encouraged to apply the Ramsar~~ wise use principle and guidance (Ramsar handbooks for the wise use of wetlands) in activities and investments related to wetlands? {1.10.1} KRA 1.10.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

3.1 Additional information: Please specify if it was applied for policy formulation or

or in implementation of good practice and provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

3.2 Has the private sector undertaken any activities or actions for the conservation, wise use, and management of (a) Ramsar Sites or (b) wetlands in general? {1.10.2} KRA 1.10.ii:

a) Ramsar Sites

b) Wetlands in general

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; X= Unknown; Y= Not Relevant

3.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here to specific activities reported above.

3.3 Have actions been taken to implement incentive measures which encourage the conservation and wise use of wetlands? {1.11.1} KRA 1.11.i

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned

3.3 Additional information: Please specify the types of incentive measures, (loans, tax breaks, or others) and provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

3.4 Have actions been taken to remove perverse incentive measures which ~~discourage conservation and wise use~~ lead to degradation or loss of wetlands? {1.11.2} KRA 1.11.i

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned; Z=Not Applicable

3.4 Additional information: Please specify the actions that have been taken to remove perverse incentive measures (e.g. removal of subsidies for agricultural expansion) and provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

***Target 4.*** *Invasive alien species and pathways of introduction and expansion are identified and prioritized, priority invasive alien species are controlled or eradicated, and management responses are prepared and implemented to prevent their introduction and establishment.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 6]*

4.1 Does your country have a national inventory of invasive alien species that currently or potentially impact the ecological character of wetlands? {1.9.1} KRA 1.9.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

4.1 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

4.2 Has your country adopted any national policies, strategies, or guidelines on invasive species control and management that are relevant for wetlands? {1.9.2} KRA 1.9.iii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

4.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

4.3 ~~Has your country successfully controlled through management actions invasive species of high risk to wetland ecosystems?~~About how many invasive species are being controlled through management actions in your country?

~~A=Yes; B=No; X= Unknown~~ E= # species; F=Fewer than #; G=More than #; X= Unknown; Y=Not relevant

4.3 Additional information: If E, F or G, please list species and provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

~~4.4 Are there invasive species of high risk to wetland ecosystems that have not been successfully controlled through management actions?~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; X= Unknown~~

~~4.4 Additional information: (If ‘Yes’, please provide examples, including the species name and the challenges to management)~~

4.4 Has the effectiveness of wetland invasive alien species control programmes been assessed?

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not Relevant

4.4 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

**Goal 2. Effectively conserving and managing the Ramsar Site network**

*[Reference to Sustainable Development Goals 6, 11, 13, 14, 15]*

***Target 5.*** *The ecological character of Ramsar Sites is maintained or restored through effective, planning and integrated management {2.1.}*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 1, 3 and 5]*

5.1 Have a national strategy and priorities been established for the further designation of Ramsar Sites, using the *Strategic Framework for the Ramsar List*? {2.1.1} KRA 2.1.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

5.1 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

~~5.2 Are the Ramsar Sites Information Service and its tools being used in national identification of further Ramsar Sites to designate? {2.2.1} KRA 2.2.ii~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned~~

~~5.2 Additional information:~~

5.2 How many Ramsar Sites have a management plan? {2.4.1} KRA 2.4.i

E= # Sites; ~~F=Less than # sites; G=More than # sites;~~ X=Unknown~~; Y=Not Relevant~~

5.3 How many of the Ramsar Sites are actively implementing their management plan? {2.4.2} KRA 2.4.i

E= # Sites; F~~=Less than # sites; G=More than # sites;~~ X= Unknown~~; Y=Not Relevant~~

5.4 How many Ramsar Sites are implementing management actions outside of formal management plans? {2.4.3} KRA 2.4.i

E= # Sites; ~~F=Fewer than # Sites; G=More than # Sites~~; X= Unknown; ~~Y=Not relevant~~

5.4 Additional information:

5.5 Have all Ramsar Sites been assessed regarding the effectiveness of their management (through formal management plans where they exist or otherwise through existing actions for appropriate wetland management ? {1.6.2} KRA 1.6.ii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; X= Unknown; Y= Not relevant

a) If “yes”, please indicate the number of Ramsar Sites

b) If “partially”, please indicate the number of Ramsar Sites

c) If “planned”, please indicate the number of Ramsar Sites

5.5 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here indicating the assessment tool used (e.g. METT, Resolution XII.15, and the source of the information.

5.6 How many Ramsar Sites have a cross-sectoral management committee? {2.4.4} {2.4.6} KRA 2.4.iv

E= # Sites; ~~F=Fewer than # Sites; G=More than # Sites~~; X=Unknown, ~~Y=Not Relevant~~;

5.6 Additional information (if at least one Site): Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here with information on the Site or Sites.

5.7 For how many Ramsar Sites has an ecological character description been prepared (see Resolution X.15)? {2.4.5}{2.4.7} KRA 2.4.v

E=# Sites; ~~F=Fewer than # Sites; G=More than # Sites~~; X= Unknown; ~~Y=Not relevant~~

5.7 Additional information (if at least one Site): Please give the name and official number of the Site or Sites.

***Target 7.*** *Sites that are at risk of change of ecological character have threats addressed {2.6.}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 3, 4 and 10]*

7.1 Are mechanisms in place for the Administrative Authority to be informed of negative human-induced changes or likely changes in the ecological character of Ramsar Sites, pursuant to Article 3.2? {2.6.1} KRA 2.6.i

A=Yes; B=No; ~~C=Some Sites;~~ D=Planned

7.1 Additional information: If ‘Yes’ or, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here describing the mechanisms established)

7.2 Have all cases of negative human-induced change or likely change in the ecological character of Ramsar Sites been reported to the Ramsar Secretariat, pursuant to Article 3.2? {2.6.2} KRA 2.6.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=Some Cases; O=No Negative Change

7.2 Additional information (If ‘Yes’ or ‘Some cases’, please indicate for which Ramsar Sites the Administrative Authority has not made Article 3.2 reports to the Secretariat~~, and for which sites such reports of change or likely change have not yet been made~~):

~~7.3 If applicable, have actions been taken to address the issues for which Ramsar Sites have been listed on the Montreux Record, including requesting a Ramsar Advisory Mission? {2.6.3} KRA 2.6.ii~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable~~

~~7.3 Additional information (If ‘Yes’, please indicate the actions taken):~~

**Goal 3. Wisely using all wetlands**

*[Reference to Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]*

***Target 8.*** *National wetland inventories have been either initiated, completed or updated and disseminated and used for promoting the conservation and effective management of all wetlands {1.1.1} KRA 1.1.i*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 21]*

8.1 Does your country have a National Wetland Inventory (NWI)? {1.1.1} KRA 1.1.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Progress; D=Planned

Additional information: If “in progress” or “planned”, by when will it be completed?

8.2 If your country has a NWI, has it been updated in the last decade [2014-2024]?

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Progress; C1= Partially; D=Planned; X= Unknown

8.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

8.3 How often is the NWI updated?

A: Regular intervals ≤ 6 years; B: Irregularly ≥ 7 years; X= Unknown

8.4 Is wetland inventory data and information publicly available? {1.1.2} KRA 1.1.ii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

8.4 Additional information: If “partially” or “planned” by when will the data/information be made public?

8.5 ~~Is wetland inventory data and information maintained~~ Please explain how the NWI data/information is maintained if at all? {1.1.2} KRA 1.1.ii

8.6 If your country has a NWI, please provide the total numerical area in square kilometres (km2) for the extent of wetlands (according to the Convention on Wetland’s definition) for the year of available data and provide the relevant disaggregated information in the box below. This information will also be used to report on SDG 6, Target 6.6, Indicator 6.6.1, for which the Convention is a co-custodian.

E= # Km2 ; X= Unknown

8.6 According to the Ramsar definition and classification of wetlands, the disaggregated information on wetland extent is as follows:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Year of data collection e.g. 20XX** |  |
| Inventory coverage (tick as appropriate)  | National territoryOnly part of the national territoryRamsar Sites  |
| **Area by type of wetland** | **Total wetland area** |
|  | **Type** | **Area** Km2 | **Type**  | **Area** Km2 | **Type**  | **Area** Km2 |
| **Marine/Coastal** | e.g Coral Reefs:  | xx  | e.g. Estuarine waters | xx  | e.g. Coastal brackish/saline lagoons | xx  |  |
| **Inland**: | e.g. Permanent freshwater marshes/swamps | xx  | e.g. Non-forested peatlands (includes shrub or open bogs, swamps, fens): | xx | e.g. Permanent freshwater lakes: | xx  |  |
| **Human-made**  | e.g. pond  |  |  |  |  | xx |  |
| **Total area by category of wetland** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total** | xx Km2 |
| Please, provide a link/upload source document here: including the year and full title of the inventory report |

Note: The minimum information that should be provided is the total area of wetlands for each of the three major categories; “marine/coastal”, “inland” and “human-made”.

If the data on inventories are partial or not complete, use the available information to fill in the form, specifying if it is partial or not complete.

~~Additional information: If the information is available please indicate the % of change in the extent of wetlands over the last three years. Please note: For the % of change in the extent of wetlands, if the period of data covers more than three years, provide the available information, and indicate the period of the change~~.

Guidance on information on national wetland extent, to be provided in Target 8 “National Wetlands Inventory” of the National Report form can be consulted at: <https://www.ramsar.org/document/guidance-on-information-on-national-wetland-extent>.

8.7 How has the ecological character[[4]](#footnote-4) of wetlands in your country, overall, changed since COP14 ? {1.1.3}

a) Ramsar Sites

b) All wetlands in your country

~~Please describe on the sources of the information on which your answer is based in the green free- text box below. If there is a difference between inland and coastal wetland situations, please describe. If you are able to, please describe the principal driver(s) of the change(s).~~[[5]](#footnote-5)

N=Status deteriorated; O=No change; P=Status improved

8.8 On a scale of **1-5** rate the change in the ecological character of wetlands in your country, overall, since COP14 ? {1.1.3}

a) coastal

b) inland

c) Man made

1=major deterioration; 2=deterioration; 3=no change; 4=improvement; 5=major improvement

8.8 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here for further information.

8.9 What are your main needs in developing an NWI to suport SDG Indicator 6.6.1 reporting for tracking global wetland status and trends? Please select/tick below

a) Access to data and data acquisition standards x

b) Wetland delineation methods and approaches

c) Habitat classifications

d) Standardization in data interpretation methods

e) Regulatory framework and governance structure

f) Resources

g) Relevant skills

h) Data collection and mapping

i) Collaboration

j) Others.

8.10 Please select from the list below the main needs of your country in using NWI results to implement COP mandates, e.g. conservation and wise use of all wetlands (Resolutions X.2, XIII.12, XIII.I3, XIII.14, XIII.16, XIV.17 and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)) to achieve sustainable development.

a) Resources x

b) Relevant siklls

c) Data systems and management

d) Application of NWI information for decision making (climate, biodiversity and sectoral planning/reporting

e) Regulatory framework and governance structure

f) Data interpretation and communication

g) Collaboration

h) Others.

8.11 Has your country taken any steps/actions since COP14 to integrate wetland protection, wise use and restoration in the following policies, strategies or plans? {1.3.2} {1.3.3} KRA 1.3.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; X= Unknown

a) National water policy/strategy:

b) Energy and mining policy/strategy:

c) Extractive industries policy/strategy/plan:

d) Poverty reduction policy/strategy/plan:

e) Sanitation policy/strategy/plan:

f) Food security policy/strategy/plan:

g) Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans under the CBD:

h) National policies on urban development:

i) National policies on tourism:

j) National policies on infrastructure:

k) National policies on aquaculture and fisheries {1.3.3} KRA 1.3.i:

l) National plans of actions (NPAs) for pollution control and management:

m) National policies on wastewater management and water quality:

8.11. Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here to specific actions/steps for the policies/strategies ticked above.

***Target 9.*** *The wise use of wetlands is strengthened through integrated resource management at the appropriate scale, inter alia, within a river basin or along a coastal zone {1.3.}.*

## *[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 1, 9, 10 and 15].*

9.1 Is a National Wetland Policy (or equivalent instrument) that promotes the wise use of wetlands in place? {1.3.1} KRA 1.3.i

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Preparation; D=Planned

9.1 Additional information: If “yes” please provide the source link or upload the source document here, and the date of the Policy.

9.2 Since COP14 have any amendments to existing legislation or policies been made to reflect commitments under the Convention on Wetlands ? {1.3.5}{1.3.6}

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Progress; D=Planned

9.2 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

9.3 Do your country’s water governance and management systems recognize wetlands as natural water infrastructure integral to water resource management at the scale of river basins? {1.7.1} {1.7.2} KRA 1.7.ii

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned

9.3 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

9.4 Have communication, capacity building, education, participation and awareness (CEPA) expertise and tools been incorporated into catchment/river basin planning and management (see Resolution X.19)? {1.7.2}{1.7.3}

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned

9.4 Additional information: If “yes” please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

9.5 Has your country established policies or guidelines for enhancing the role of wetlands in mitigating or adapting to climate change? {1.7.3} {1.7.5} KRA 1.7.iii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

9.6 Has your country included wetland actions in NDCs and other related national policies on climate change mitigation and adaptation?

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

9.7 Has your country formulated policies, plans or projects to sustain and enhance the role of wetlands in supporting and maintaining viable farming systems? {1.7.4} {1.7.6} KRA 1.7.v

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

9.7 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

9.8 Has research to inform wetland policies and plans been undertaken in your country on:

a) agriculture-wetland interactions

b) climate change

c) valuation of ecoystem services

{1.6.1} KRA 1.6.i

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned

9.8 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

~~9.8 Has your country submitted a request for Wetland City Accreditation of the Ramsar Convention, Resolution XII.10 ?~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned~~

~~9.8 Additional information: (If ‘Yes’, please indicate How many request have been submitted):~~

9.9 Has your country made efforts to conserve small wetlands in line with Resolutions XIII.21 and XIII.15?

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

9.9 Additional information: If “yes”, please indicate what actions have been implemented:

***Target 10.*** *The traditional knowledge innovations and practices of indigenous peoples and local communities relevant for the wise use of wetlands and their customary use of wetland resources, are documented, respected, subject to national legislation and relevant international obligations and fully integrated and reflected in the implementation of the Convention with a full and effective participation of indigenous and local communities at all relevant levels.*

*[Reference to* *Global Biodiversity Framework Target 22]*

10.1 Do you have a national legislation or equivalent on indigenous and local communities at all relevant levels in wetland management, and/or Site management?

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Preparation; C1= Partially; D= Planned; X= Unknown; Y=Not Relevant

10.1 : Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

10.2 If the answer to question 10.1 is “yes”, have the guiding principles for considering the cultural values of wetlands including traditional knowledge for the effective management of Sites (Resolution VIII.19) been used? (Action 6.1.2/ 6.1.6)

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Preparation; C1= Partially; D= Planned; X= Unknown; Y=Not relevant

10.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

10.3 Have case studies~~, participation~~ on the participation of indigenous people in projects or successful experiences on cultural aspects of wetlands been compiled? Resolution VIII.19 and Resolution IX.21? (Action 6.1.6)

A=Yes; B=No; C=In preparation; D=Planned

10.3 Additional information: (If “yes” please provide provide the source links or upload source documents, whether case studies or projects documenting information and experiences concerning culture and wetlands).

10.4 Have the guidelines for establishing and strengthening local communities’ and indigenous people’s participation in the management of wetlands been applied? ~~used or applied such as~~

1. ~~stakeholders, including local communities and indigenous people are represented on National Ramsar Committees or similar bodies~~
2. ~~involvement and assistance of indigenous people’s and community-based groups, wetland education centres and non-governmental organizations with the necessary expertise to facilitate the establishment of participatory approaches;~~

(Resolution VII. 8) (Action 6.1.5)

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Preparation; D=Planned

10.4 Additional information: ~~(If the answer is “yes” please indicate the use or aplication of the guidelines)~~ If “yes” please list national legislation/policies and actions that consider the needs and participation of indigenous and local communities in wetland management at all relevant levels.

10.5 Have traditional knowledge and management practices relevant to the wise use of wetlands been documented and their application encouraged (Action 6.1.2 )

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Preparation; D=Planned

10.5 Additional information: : If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

***Target 11.*** *Wetland functions, services and benefits are widely demonstrated, documented and disseminated. {1.4.}*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 11, 12 and 13]*

11.1 ~~Have ecosystem benefits/services provided by wetlands been researched in your country, recorded in documents like State of the Environment reporting, and the results promoted~~ Has an assessment been made of the ecosystem benefits/services provided by Ramsar Sites and other wetlands? {1.4.1} KRA 1.4.ii

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Preparation; C1=Partially; D=Planned; X= Unknown; Y=Not Relevant

11.1 Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please indicate how many ~~wetlands~~ Ramsar Sites and their names, and provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

11.2 Since COP14 have wetland programmes or projects that contribute to ~~poverty alleviation objectives or~~ food and water security and hence poverty alleviation been implemented? {1.4.2} KRA 1.4.iA=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; X= Unknown; Y=Not Relevant

11.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

11.3 Have socio-economic values of wetlands been included in the management planning for Ramsar Sites and other wetlands? {1.4.3}{1.4.4} KRA 1.4.iii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

11.3 Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please indicate, if known, how many Ramsar Sites and their names:

11.4 Have cultural values of wetlands been included in the management planning for Ramsar Sites and other wetlands ~~including traditional knowledge for the effective management of sites (Resolution VIII.19)~~ in general? {1.4.3}{1.4.4} KRA 1.4.iii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

11.4 Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please indicate, if known, how many Ramsar Sites and their names:

***Target 12.*** *Restoration is in progress in degraded wetlands, with priority to wetlands that are relevant for biodiversity conservation, disaster risk reduction, livelihoods and/or climate change mitigation and adaptation. {1.8.}*

*[Reference Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 2, 8 and 11].*

12.1 Have national wetland restoration targets been established?

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not relevant

12.1 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here outlining information on targets and wetland type

12.2 Have priority sites for wetland restoration been identified? {1.8.1} KRA 1.8.i

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not relevant

12.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide a list of sites, specifying wetland types, and provide the source link or upload the source document here.

12.3 Since COP14 have wetland restoration/rehabilitation programmes, plans or projects been implemented? {1.8.2} KRA 1.8.i

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not Relevant

12.3 Additional information: ~~(If ‘Yes’ or ‘Partially’, please indicate, if available the extent of wetlands restored ):~~ If “yes” or “partially”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here on successful case examples.

If available provide information on the extent of restored wetland area and types:

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Wetland types  | Restoration target (planned) m2 or km2 | Restored in m2 or km2  | Total Restored/Planned | Total Restored/Planned  |
| Marine/Coastal: |  |  |  |  |
| Inland: |  |  |  |  |
| Human-made: |  |  |  |  |

12.4 Have the Guidelines for Global Action on Peatlandsand on Peatlands, climate change and wise use (Resolutions VIII.1 and XII.11) been implemented?

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not Relevant

~~a) Knowledge of global resources~~

~~b) Education and public awareness on peatlands~~

~~c) Policy and legislative instruments~~

~~d) Wise use of peatlands~~

~~e) Research networks, regional centres of expertise, and institutional capacity~~

~~f) International cooperation~~

~~g) Implementation and support~~

12.4 Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please indicate the progress in implementation.

***Target 13.*** *Enhanced sustainability of key sectors such as water, energy, mining, agriculture, tourism, urban development, infrastructure, industry, forestry, aquaculture and fisheries when they affect wetlands, contributing to biodiversity conservation and human livelihoods.*

## *[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 10 and 14].*

13.1 Have actions been taken to enhance sustainability of wetlands when they are affected by key sectors including

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned

a) Energy:

b) Mining:

c) Agriculture:

d) Tourism:

e) Urban development:

f) Infrastructure:

g) Industry:

h) Forestry:

i) Aquaculture:

j) Fisheries

13.1 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here for each sector selected.

13.2 ~~Are Strategic Environmental Assessment practices applied when reviewing~~ Is it a legal requirement in your country to conduct Strategic Environmental Assessments for policies, programmes and plans that may impact wetlands? {1.3.3} {1.3.4} KRA 1.3.ii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

13.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here for the relevant policy or legislation.

13.3 ~~Are Environmental Impact Assessments made for any~~ Is there a legal requirement in your country to conduct Environmental Impact Assessments for development projects (such as new buildings, new roads, extractive industry) from key sectors (e.g., water, energy, mining and agriculture) that may impact wetlands? {1.3.4} {1.3.5} KRA 1.3.iii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Some Cases

13.3 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide provide a link or upload the source document here to the relevant policy or legislation.

**Goal 4. Enhancing implementation**

*[Reference to Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17]*

***Target 15.*** *Ramsar Regional Initiatives with the active involvement and support of the Parties in each region are reinforced and developed into effective tools to assist in the full implementation of the Convention. {3.2.}*

15.1 Has your country been part of the development and implementation of a Ramsar Regional Initiative?? {3.2.1} KRA 3.2.i

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned

15.1 Additional information: If “yes”, please list the Ramsar Regional Initiatives in which your country is actively involved.

15.2 Has your country supported or participated in the development of other regional (i.e., covering more than one country) wetland training and research centres? {3.2.2}

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned

15.2 Additional information If “yes”, please indicate the name(s) of the centre(s).

***Target 16*.** *Wetlands conservation and wise use are mainstreamed through communication, capacity development, education, participation and awareness {4.1}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 21].*

16.1 Has an action plan (or plans) for wetland CEPA been established? {4.1.1} KRA 4.1.i

1. At the national level
2. Sub-national level
3. Catchment/basin level
4. Local/site level

(Even if no CEPA plans have been developed, if broad CEPA objectives for CEPA actions have been established, please indicate this in the Additional information section below)

A=Yes; B=No; C=In Progress; D=Planned

16.1 Additional information (If “yes” or ‘In progress’ to one or more of the four categories above, for each please provide a link or upload a source document here describing the mechanism.

16.2 How many centres (visitor centres, interpretation centres, education centres) have been established? {4.1.2} KRA 4.1.ii

a) at Ramsar Sites

b) at other wetlands

E= # centres; F=Fewer than #; G=More than #; X=Unknown; y=Not Relevant;

16.2 Additional information: If centres are part of national or international networks, please describe the networks.

16.3 Does the Contracting Party:

a) ~~promote~~ ensure stakeholder participation in decision-making on wetland planning and management

b) specifically involve local stakeholders in the selection of new Ramsar Sites and in Ramsar Site management?

{4.1.3} KRA 4.1.iii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

16.3 Additional information (If “yes” or “partially”, please provide a link or upload a source document here with information about the ways in which stakeholders are involved.

16.4 Do you have an operational cross-sectoral National Ramsar/Wetlands Committee? {4.1.6} KRA 4.3.v

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not relevant

16.4 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide a source/link or upload a source document here on its membership, meeting frequency and responsibilities.

16.5 Do you have an operational cross-sectoral body equivalent to a National Ramsar/ Wetlands Committee? {4.1.6} KRA 4.3.v

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; D=Planned; X=Unknown; Y=Not relevant

16.5 Additional information: If “yes”, ~~indicate a) its membership; b) number of meetings since COP13; and c) what responsibilities the Committee has)~~ please provide the source links or upload the source documents here on its membership, meeting frequency and responsibilities.

16.6 Are other communication mechanisms (apart from a national committee) in place to share the Convention’s implementation guidelines and other information between the Administrative Authority and:

a) Ramsar Site managers

b) other MEA national focal points

c) other ministries, departments and agencies
{4.1.7} KRA 4.1.vi

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

16.6 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here that describe the mechanisms.

16.7 Has your country organized any Convention on Wetland-branded World Wetlands Day events, whether led by government or NGOs, since COP14? {4.1.8}

A=Yes; B=No

16.7. If “yes”, please indicate the number of events, and provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

16.8 Did your country undertake any campaigns, programmes, or projects to raise awareness about the importance of wetlands to people and wildlife during the World Wetlands Days since COP14? {4.1.9}

A=Yes; B=No

16.8 Additional information: Please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

16.9 Has information about your country’s wetlands and/or Ramsar Sites and their status been made public (e.g., through publications or a website)? {3.4.2} KRA 3.4.iv

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

16.9 Additional information: If “yes”, or “partially” please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

***Target 17.*** *Financial and other resources for effectively implementing the Convention’s fourth Strategic Plan 2016 – 2024 from all sources are made available. {4.2.}*

## *[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 19]*

~~17.1 a) Have Ramsar contributions been paid in full for 2018, 2019 and 2020? {4.2.1} KRA 4.2.i~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable~~

~~b) If ‘No’ in 17.1 a), please clarify what plan is in place to ensure future prompt payment:~~

~~17.2 Has any additional financial support been provided through voluntary contributions to non-core funded Convention activities? {4.2.2} KRA 4.2.i~~

~~A=Yes; B=No~~

~~17.2 Additional information (If ‘Yes’ please state the amounts, and for which activities):~~

17.1 [For Contracting Parties with a development assistance agency (“donor countries”):] Since COP14, has the agency provided funding to support wetland conservation and management efforts in other countries? {3.3.1} KRA 3.3.i

A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable

17.1 Additional information (If “yes”, ~~please indicate the countries supported since COP12):~~ please indicate how much funding has been provided since COP14 and please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

17.2 [For Contracting Parties with a development assistance agency (“donor countries”):] Have environmental safeguards and assessments been included in development proposals proposed the development of projects by the agency? {3.3.2} KRA 3.3.ii

A=Yes; B=No; C= Partially; X= Unknown; Y=Not relevant; Z=Not applicable

17.2 Additional information:

17.3 [For Contracting Parties that have received development assistance since COP14 has your country received financial support specifically for national wetland conservation and management:

a) from development assistance agencies of another country?

A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable

b) from non-national or multilateral development assistance agencies?

A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable. {3.3.3}

~~(“recipient countries”):] Has funding support been received from development assistance agencies specifically for in-country wetland conservation and management? Since COP13, has your country received financial support from development assistance agencies (Non-national agencies including multilaterals) for national wetlands conservation and management? {3.3.3} A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable~~

17.3 Additional information: If “yes”, please indicate from which countries or agencies, specify the amount, and indicate the activities funded.

17.4 Has any financial support from the national budget been provided by your country to facilitate the implementation of the Convention on Wetlands?

A=Yes; B=No; Z=Not Applicable

17.4 Additional information: If “yes” please state the amounts, and for which activities.

***Target 18.*** *International cooperation is strengthened at all levels {3.1}*

18.1 Are the national focal points of other MEAs invited to participate in the National Ramsar/Wetland Committee? {3.1.1} {3.1.2} KRAs 3.1.i & 3.1.iv

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

 18.1 Additional information:

18.2 Are mechanisms in place at the national level for collaboration between the Convention on Wetland’s Administrative Authority and the focal points of UN and other global and regional bodies and agencies (e.g. UNEP, UNDP, WHO, FAO, UNECE, ITTO)? {3.1.2} {3.1.3} KRA 3.1.iv

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

18.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

18.3 Has your country received assistance from any of the following UN or other global and regional bodies and agencies in implementing the Convention on Wetlands since COP14? {4.4.1} KRA 4.4.ii.

a) UNEP: x

b) FAO:

c) UNECE:

d) UNFCCC

e) Global Environment Facility

f) UNDP

g) UNESCO

h) World Health Organization

i) World Meteorological Organization

j) ITTO:

k) The Convention’s IOPs[[6]](#footnote-6):

 18.3 Additional information: For each body or agency selected, please describe the support and indicate the amount of funding.

18.4 Has your country established international network(s), such as twinning arrangements, to facilitate knowledge sharing and training related to wetlands that share common features? {3.4.1}

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

~~18.5 Has information about your country’s wetlands and/or Ramsar Sites and their status been made public (e.g., through publications or a website)? {3.4.2} KRA 3.4.iv~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned~~

~~18.5 Additional information:~~

~~18.6 Has information about your country’s wetlands and/or Ramsar Sites been transmitted to the Ramsar Secretariat for dissemination? {3.4.3} KRA 3.4.ii~~

~~A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned~~

~~18.6 Additional information:~~

18.5 Have all transboundary wetland systems been identified? {3.5.1} KRA 3.5.i

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned; Z=Not applicable

~~18.5 Additional information:~~

18.6 Is effective cooperative management in place for shared wetland systems (for example, in shared river basins and coastal zones)? {3.5.2} KRA 3.5.ii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned; Y=Not relevant

18.6 Additional information: If “yes” or “partially”, please indicate for which wetland systems such management is in place.

18.7 Does your country participate in regional networks or initiatives for wetland-dependent migratory species? {3.5.3} KRA 3.5.iii

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned; Z=Not applicable

18.7 Additional information: If “yes”, please list which regional networks or initiatives.

***Target 19.*** *Capacity building for implementation of the Convention and its 4th Strategic Plan 2016 – 2024 is enhanced.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 20]*

19.1 Has your country conducted any national needs assessment since COP14 to inform capacity building planning to implement the Convention’s Strategic Plan? {4.1.4} KRAs 4.1.iv & 4.1.viii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

19.1 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here on the assessment.

19.2 Does your country or institution have a capacity development strategy for the Convention’s Strategic Plan? {4.1.4} KRAs 4.1.iv & 4.1.viii

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

19.2 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

19.3 Are wetland conservation and wise-use issues included in formal education programmes (Resolution XIV.11)?

A=Yes; B=No; C=Partially; D=Planned

19.3 Additional information: If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here.

19.4 How many training events for wetland site managers have occurred since COP14? {4.1.5} KRA 4.1.iv

a) at Ramsar Sites

b) at other wetlands

E= # opportunities; F=Fewer than #; G=More than #; X=Unknown; Y=Not relevant

~~19.3 Additional information (including whether the Ramsar Wise Use Handbooks were used in the training):~~

19.4 Have you (AA) used your previous National Reports in monitoring implementation of the Convention? {4.3.1} KRA 4.3.ii

A=Yes; B=No; D=Planned; Z=Not applicable

19.4 Additional information:If “yes”, please provide the source links or upload the source documents here that indicate how the Reports have been used for monitoring.

**Section 4. Optional annex to allow any Contracting Party that has developed national targets to provide information on those**

**Goal 1. Addressing the drivers of wetland loss and degradation**

*[Reference* to *Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 6, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15]*

***Target 1.*** *Wetland benefits are featured in national/ local policy strategies and plans relating to key sectors such as water, energy, mining, agriculture, tourism, urban development, infrastructure, industry, forestry, aquaculture, fisheries at the national and local level.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 14]*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

Outcomes achieved by 2024 and how they contribute to achievement of the Global Biodiversity Framework Targets and Sustainable Development Goals

Note: this field has to be completed when the full report is submitted in October 2024

Additional information:

***Target 2.*** *Water use**respects wetland ecosystem needs for them to fulfil their functions and provide services at the appropriate scale inter alia at the basin level or along a coastal zone.*

## *[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 7, Sustainable Development Goal 6, Indicator 6.3.1]*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

Outcomes achieved by 2024 and how they contribute to achievement of the Global Biodiversity Framework Targets and Sustainable Development Goals

Note: this field has to be completed when the full report is submitted in October 2024

Additional information:

***Target 3.*** *Public and private sectors have increased their efforts to apply guidelines and good practices for the wise use of water and wetlands.* {1.10}.

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 7, 10, 15, 16 and 18]*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

Outcomes achieved by 2024 and how they contribute to achievement of the Global Biodiversity Framework Targets and Sustainable Development Goals

Note: this field has to be completed when the full report is submitted in October 2024

Additional information:

***Target 4.*** *Invasive alien species and pathways of introduction and expansion are identified and prioritized, priority invasive alien species are controlled or eradicated, and management responses are prepared and implemented to prevent their introduction and establishment.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 6]*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

Outcomes achieved by 2024 and how they contribute to achievement of the Global Biodiversity Framework Targets and Sustainable Development Goals

Note: this field has to be completed when the full report is submitted in October 2024

Additional information:

**Goal 2. Effectively conserving and managing the Ramsar Site network**

*[Reference to Sustainable Development Goals 6,11,13,14, 15]*

***Target 5.*** *The ecological character of Ramsar Sites is maintained or restored through effective, planning and integrated management {2.1.}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 3, 4 and 5]*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

Outcomes achieved by 2024 and how they contribute to achievement of the Global Biodiversity Framework Targets and Sustainable Development Goals

Note: this field has to be completed when the full report is submitted in October 2024

Additional information:

***Target 7.*** *Sites that are at risk of change of ecological character have threats addressed {2.6.}. [Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 3, 4, and 10]*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

Outcomes achieved by 2024 and how they contribute to achievement of the Global Biodiversity Framework Targets and Sustainable Development Goals

Note: this field has to be completed when the full report is submitted in October 2024

Additional information:

**Goal 3. Wisely Using All Wetlands**

*[Reference to Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15]*

***Target 8.*** *National wetland inventories have been either initiated, completed or updated and disseminated and used for promoting the conservation and effective management of all wetlands {1.1.1} KRA 1.1.i.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 21].*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

A= High; B= Medium; C= Low; D= Not relevant; E= No answer

Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 9.*** *The wise use of wetlands is strengthened through integrated resource management at the appropriate scale, inter alia, within a river basin or along a coastal zone {1.3.}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 1, 9, 10 and 15].*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 10.*** *The traditional knowledge innovations and practices of indigenous peoples and local communities relevant for the wise use of wetlands and their customary use of wetland resources, are documented, respected, subject to national legislation and relevant international obligations and fully integrated and reflected in the implementation of the Convention with a full and effective participation of indigenous and local communities at all relevant levels.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 22].*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

A= Good; B= Adequate; C= Limiting; D= Severely limiting; E= No answer

National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 11.*** *Wetland functions, services and benefits are widely demonstrated, documented and disseminated. {1.4.}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 2, 12 and 13].*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 12.*** *Restoration is in progress in degraded wetlands, with priority to wetlands that are relevant for biodiversity conservation, disaster risk reduction, livelihoods and/or climate change mitigation and adaptation. {1.8.}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 2, 8, and 11].*

**Planning of National Targets**

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 13.*** *Enhanced sustainability of key sectors such as water, energy, mining, agriculture, tourism, urban development, infrastructure, industry, forestry, aquaculture and fisheries when they affect wetlands, contributing to biodiversity conservation and human livelihoods.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Targets 10, 14 and 15].*

**Planning of National Targets**

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

**Goal 4. Enhancing implementation**

*[Reference to Sustainable Development Goals 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17]*

***Target 15.*** *Ramsar Regional Initiatives with the active involvement and support of the Parties in each region are reinforced and developed into effective tools to assist in the full implementation of the Convention. {3.2.}*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 16*.** *Wetlands conservation and wise use are mainstreamed through communication, capacity development, education, participation and awareness {4.1}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 21].*

**Planning of National Targets**

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 17.*** *Financial and other resources for effectively implementing the Convention’s fourth Strategic Plan 2016 – 2024 from all sources are made available. {4.2.}.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 19].*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 18.*** *International cooperation is strengthened at all levels* ***{****3.1****}***

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

***Target 19.*** *Capacity building for implementation of the Convention and its 4th Strategic Plan 2016 – 2024 is enhanced.*

*[Reference to Global Biodiversity Framework Target 20].*

**Planning of National Targets**

Priority of the target:

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Resourcing:

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National Targets (Text Answer):

Planned Activities (Text Answer):

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Additional information:

1. See <https://www.ramsar.org/document/the-4th-strategic-plan-2016-2024-2022-update>. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Idem. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Note: The following questions are deleted because countries are already reporting on this elsewhere. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Ecological character is the combination of the ecosystem components, processes and benefits/services that characterize the wetland at a given point in time. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Note: The Secretariat suggests to explore the SDG Indicator 6.6.1 data collected each triennium to calculate these changes. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
6. The IOPs are: BirdLife International, the International Water Management Institute (IWMI), IUCN (International Union for Conservation of Nature), Wetlands International, WWF and Wildfowl & Wetland Trust (WWT). [↑](#footnote-ref-6)