Implementation report format

The format below follows the structure of the *CITES Strategic Vision*: 2008-2020 and aims to collect information to enable the Strategic Vision indicators to be implemented.

CITES vision statement

Conserve biodiversity and contribute to its sustainable use by ensuring that no species of wild fauna or flora becomes or remains subject to unsustainable exploitation through international trade, thereby contributing to the significant reduction of the rate of biodiversity loss and making a significant contribution towards achieving the relevant Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

Article VIII, paragraph 7 (b), of the Convention requires each Party to submit to the CITES Secretariat a report on legislative, regulatory and administrative measures taken to enforce the provisions of the Convention.

The report format allows Parties to present information in a standard manner, so that it can be easily collated, with three main objectives:

- i) To enable monitoring of the implementation and effectiveness of the Convention;
- ii) To facilitate the identification of major achievements, significant developments, or trends, gaps or problems and possible solutions; and
- iii) Provide a basis for substantive and procedural decision-making by the Conference of the Parties and various subsidiary bodies.

Information on the nature and extent of CITES trade should be incorporated into the annual report [Article VIII paragraph 7 (a)], whereas the report provided under Article VIII paragraph 7 (b) should focus on measures taken to implement the Convention.

The report should cover the period indicated in <u>Resolution Conf. 11.17 (Rev. CoP16)</u> which urges that the report should be submitted to the Secretariat one year before each meeting of the Conference of the Parties (CoP). The reason for setting the report to be due a year in advance of the following CoP is to allow information to be collated so it can be considered by the Standing Committee in advance of CoP, and enable publication of the Strategic Vision indicators in advance of CoP.

Reports should be prepared in one of the three working languages of the Convention (English, French, Spanish).

Parties are *strongly* encouraged to prepare and submit their reports in electronic form. This will facilitate timely integration of information from Parties into publication of the Strategic Vision Indicators. If reports are only provided in hard copy, resources will be needed at the Secretariat to make an electronic copy, and this is not good use of Secretariat resources.

The completed report should be sent to:

CITES Secretariat International Environment House Chemin des Anémones 11-13 CH-1219 Châtelaine-Geneva Switzerland

Email: info@cites.org

Tel: +41-(0)22-917-81-39/40 Fax: +41-(0)22-797-34-17

If a Party requires further guidance on completing their report, please contact the CITES Secretariat at the address above.

Party	United Arab Emirates		
Period covered in this report	1 January 2019 to 31 December 2020		
Department or agency preparing this report	Ministry of Climate Change and Environment - UAE CITES MA		
	Environment Agency Abu Dhabi - UAE CITES SA		
Contributing departments, agencies and organizations	Ministry of Climate Change and Environment - UAE CITES MA		
	Environment Agency Abu Dhabi - UAE CITES SA		

GOAL 1 ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH AND IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE CONVENTION

Objective 1.1 Parties comply with their obligations under the Convention through appropriate policies, legislation and procedures.

All Aichi Targets relevant to CITES, particularly Aichi Target 2, Target 6, Target 9, Target 12, Target 17 and Target 18.

Indicator 1.1.1: The number of Parties that are in category 1 under the national legislation project.

1.1.1a	Have any CITES relevant policies or legislation been developed during the period covered in this report? Yes No If 'Yes', have you shared information with the Secretariat? Yes No Not Applicable If 'No', please provide details to the Secretariat with this report:
1.1.1b	Does your legislation or legislative process allow easy amendment of your national law(s) to reflect changes in the CITES Appendices (e.g. to meet the 90 day implementation guidelines)? Yes No If 'No', please provide details of the constraints faced:

Objective 1.2 Parties have in place administrative procedures that are transparent, practical, coherent and user-friendly, and reduce unnecessary administrative burdens.

Aichi Target 3.

Indicator 1.2.1: The number of Parties that have adopted standard transparent procedures for the timely issuance of permits in accordance with Article VI of the Convention.

		Yes	No	No information
1.2.1a	Do you have standard operating procedures for application for and issuance of permits?	\boxtimes		
	Are the procedures publicly available?	\boxtimes		
1.2.1b	Do you have:			
	Electronic data management and a paper-based permit issuance system?	\boxtimes		
	Electronic permit information exchange between Management Authorities of some countries If 'Yes', please list countries		\boxtimes	
	Electronic permit information exchange to Management Authorities of all countries?		\boxtimes	
	Electronic permit data exchange between Management Authorities and customs?		\boxtimes	

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	Electronic permit used to cross border with electronic validation by customs?		\boxtimes						
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please provide information on challen The Customs in cooperation with police and enforcement authorit the country or exported out of the country. Any shipment that contare checked as well as thier documents and then transfered to the employees at the borders for further inspection.	y inspect ains spec	all shipme imens rela	ents imported to ated to wildlife					
	If 'No', do you have any plans to move towards e-permitting¹?								
	If you are planning to move towards e-permitting, please explain what might help you to do so: the UAE has developed and published an electronic and digital E-permitting system in FEB 2021 in coordination with the working group of E-permitting system as well as the cites secretariat. Because this report only looks at the period of 2019 – 2020 we have answered the above questions accordingly however kindly note that the CITES system is fully digitalized in the UAE and we are currently working with other countries upon their request to share the UAE experience and knowledge.								
Indicator 1.2.2a	1.2.2: The number of Parties making use of the simplified procedure. Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP16). Has your country developed simplified procedures for any of the formula of			or in <u>Resolution</u>					
		-	Tick all app	olicable					
		Yes	No	No information					
	Where biological samples of the type and size specified in Annex 4 of Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP16) are urgently required.		\boxtimes						
	For the issuance of pre-Convention certificates or equivalent documents in accordance with <u>Article VII</u> , paragraph 2.		\boxtimes						
	For the issuance of certificates of captive breeding or artificial propagation in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 5.		\boxtimes						
	For the issuance of export permits or re-export certificates in accordance with Article IV for specimens referred to in Article VII, paragraph 4.	\boxtimes							
	Are there other cases judged by a Management Authority to merit the use of simplified procedures? If 'Yes', please provide details: Procedures for registering and issuing falcon passport as Control of trade in personal.	\boxtimes							
Objective	the Conference of the Parties. All Aichi targets relevant to CITES, particularly Target 9, Ta	arget 14 a	nd Target	18.					
	Decisions of the Conference of the Parties and/or Standin								
1.3.1a	the period covered in this report, including those in the Resolutions and Decisions of the Conference of the Parties, Standing Committee recommendations, and Notifications issued by the Secretariat (see [link to location on the CITES website where the reporting requirements are listed])?								
	Responses provided to ALL relevant reporting requirements								
I	Responses provided to SOME of the relevant reporting requirements								

e-permitting refers to the electronic (paperless) management of the permit business process, including permit application, Management Authority – Scientific Authority consultations, permit issuance, notification to customs and reporting.

	Responses provided to NO	NE of the rel	evant re	eporting require	ments 🗌		
				quirements app	licable 🗌		
1.3.1b	Were any difficulties encountered during the period covered in this report in implementing specific Resolutions or Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties? If 'Yes', please provide details of which Resolution(s) or Decision(s), and, for each, what difficulties were / are being encountered?						
Objective	• 1.4 The Appendices correctly reflect the conservation Aichi Target 1, Target12, Target 14 and Target 19		ecies.				
	The number and proportion of species that have been fo Conf. 9.24 or its successors. This includes both the peri						
1.4.1a	Have you undertaken any reviews of whether species on the CITES Appendices?	would benef	it from li		☑ No □		
	If 'Yes', please provide a summary here, or a link to the (or a copy of that report to the Secretariat if the work is)):			
	UAE National Red List of Mammals - Report 2019 https://www.moccae.gov.ae/assets/download/59aa196 %20%20Report%202019.pdf.aspx?view=true	3d/UNRL%20	of%20 <u>N</u>	Mammals%20-			
	UAE National Red List of Herpetofauna - Report 2019 https://www.moccae.gov.ae/assets/download/375cbf9cdf.aspx?view=true		of%20H	erpetofauna%2	<u>202019.p</u>		
Objective					+ 1 <i>1</i>		
Indicator ²	Aichi Target 2, Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 9, Target 12 and Target 14. Indicator 1.5.1: The number of surveys, studies or other analyses undertaken by exporting countries based on the sources of information cited in Resolution Conf. 16.7 on Non-detriment findings related to: a) the population status of Appendix-II species; b) the trends and impact of trade upon Appendix-II species; and c) the status of and trend in naturally-occurring Appendix I species and the impact of any recovery plans.						
1.5.1a	Have any surveys, studies or other analyses been undertaken <u>in your country</u> in relation to:	Yes	No	Not Applicable	If Yes, How many?		
	- the population status of Appendix II species?	\boxtimes			Ĺ		
	- the trends and impact of trade on Appendix II species?						
	 - the status of and trend in naturally-occurring Appendix I species? 						
	- the impact of any recovery plans on Appendix I species?						
	Have the surveys, studies or analyses integrated relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities?	\boxtimes					

If there are such studies that you are willing to share, please provide:

Species name (scientific)

Macqueen's Bustard (*Chlamydotis macqueenii*)

A brief summary of the results of the survey, study or other analysis (e.g. population status, decline / stable / increase, off-take levels etc), or provide links to published reference material.

- a) Captive breeding being undertaken in UAE by the Houbara Fund (https://houbarafund.gov.ae/).
 More details can be sought from them directly.
- Field research undertaken within the distribution range by Houbara Fund (https://houbarafund.gov.ae/)

Peregrine Falcon (Falco peregrinus)

Raptor release program undertaken in the species distribution range, it is supervised by EAD in partnership with the International Fund for the Conservation of Houbara (IFCH) and Abu Dhabi Falcon

Hospital

(<u>https://www.falconhospital.com/services/falconservice/falcon-release-programme</u>). More details can be sought from them directly.

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Hawksbill Turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricate*)

 405 hawksbill turtle nests recorded for the first time in the history of Sir Bu Nair island

Green Sea Turtle (Chelonia mydas)

 Installing turtle monitoring devices to track the movement of green turtles and monitor their path, with the aim of reading, knowing and analyzing the habit of the turtles

	Olive ridley sea turtle <i>(Lepidochelys</i> • First nesting of olive ridle olivacea) in UAE	ey turtles disc	covered
1.5.1b	How are the results of such surveys, studies or other analyses used in makin findings (NDFs)? Please tick all that apply	ng non-detrim	ent
	Revised harve	Banning lomestic meanent of the speement Auth	export
1.5.1c	Do you have specific conservation measures or recovery plans for naturally occurring Appendix-I listed species? No Not Applicable No information		
1.5.1d	If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary, including, if possible, an evaluation of impact: 1) Macqueen's Bustard (<i>Chlamydotis macqueenii</i>) 2) Peregrine Falcon (<i>Falco peregrinus</i>) 3) Hawksbill turtle(<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>) 4) Dugong (<i>Dugong dugon</i>) 5) <i>Arabian Oryx</i> (Oryx <i>leucoryx</i>) (Protective legislation occurs in the UAE released animals occur in protected areas. The captive population is vinternational studbook. In addition, large numbers are kept in breeding collections. A regional Arabian Oryx conservation strategy was develoned Coordinating Committee for the Conservation of the Arabian Oryx is a body charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is a pody charged with coordination of conservation efforts within the Arabian Oryx is an	and almost well-manage g centres and ped in 2007. n inter-gover ian Peninsul	d, with an I private The nmental
1.5.1e	Which of the following (A to F of paragraph a) x) of Resolution Conf. 16.7) do you use in making non-detriment findings?	Yes	No
	A. relevant scientific literature concerning species biology, life history, distribution and population trends.	\boxtimes	
	B. details of any ecological risk assessments conducted.	\boxtimes	
	C. scientific surveys conducted at harvest locations and at sites protected from harvest and other impacts.	\boxtimes	
	D. relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities.	\boxtimes	
	E. consultations with relevant local, regional and international experts.	\boxtimes	
	F. national and international trade information such as that available via the CITES trade database maintained by UNEP World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC), publications on trade, local knowledge on trade and investigations of sales at markets or through the Internet for example.		

Indicator 1.5.2: The number of Parties that have adopted standard procedures for making non-detriment findings.

1.5.2a				No
		Yes	No	information
	Do you have standard procedures for making non-detriment findings in line with Resolution Conf. 16.7?		\boxtimes	
	If 'Yes', please briefly describe your procedures for making non-or attach as an annex to this report, or provide a link to where the on the internet:		-	e found
1.5.2b	When establishing non-detriment findings, have any of the follow	ving		
	guidance been used?	•	ase tick	all that apply
	Virtual Co	ollege		
	IUCN Che	ecklist		
	Resolution Conf	. 16.7		
	2008 NDF work	kshop		
	Species specific guid	dance		
		Other		
	If 'Other' or 'Species specific guidance', please specify details:			
1.5.2c	How often do you review and/or change your non-	Case by case	1	
	detriment findings?	nnually		
	E	very two yea	ars	
	L	ess frequent	ly	
	A	mix of the a	bove	
	Please describe the circumstances under which non-detriment fi	indings woul	d be ch	anged:

Indicator 1.5.3: The number and proportion of annual export quotas based on population surveys.

1.5.3a	Do you set annual export quotas?	Yes	
		No	\boxtimes
	If 'Yes', do you set quotas based on population survey, or by other means? Please specify, for each species, how quotas are set:		Other,
		Population	please
	Species Name (scientific)	Survey?	specify
1.5.3b	Have annual export quotas been set at levels which will	Yes	
	ensure sustainable production and consumption?	No	\boxtimes
	If 'Yes', please describe how this fits into your non-detriment	finding process:	

Objective 1.6 Parties cooperate in managing shared wildlife resources.

Aichi Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 10, Target 12 and Target 19.

Indicator 1.6.1: The number of bilateral and multilateral agreements that specifically provide for comanagement of shared CITES listed species by range States.

1.6.1a	Is your country a signatory to any bilateral and/or multilateral agreements for co-management of shared species?Yes No If 'Yes', please provide brief details, including the names of the agreements, and which other countries are involved:
	Houbara Conservation:
	o Kazakhstan
	o Morocco
	o India
	o Russia
	o Jordan
	o Spain
	o Mongolia
	o China
	o Iraq
	Sheikh Zayed Falcon Release Programme: Uzbekistan
	Oryx dammah (<i>Scimitar Oryx</i>) release: Chad

Indicator 1.6.2: The number of cooperative management plans, including recovery plans, in place for shared populations of CITES-listed species.

1.6.2a	Do you have any cooperative in place for shared population	e management plans, including recovery plans, ns of CITES-listed species? Yes ⊠ No ☐
	If 'Yes', please list the specie to a published plan for each	es for which these plans are in place and provide a link or reference species.
	Species Name (scientific)	Link or reference to a published plan
	Houbara	http://www.houbarafund.org/en/home
	Species conservation	https://www.speciesconservation.org/
	Arabian Oryx	https://www.arabianoryx.org/En/SitePages/Home.aspx
		Ogden, R., Al Kharusi, Y.H., Zafar-ul Islam, M., Boug, A. and Alzahlawi,N. (Eds.) (2018). Proceedings of the Regional Workshop on Genetic Management of Arabian Oryx (Oryx leucoryx) populations in the range states, 13-14 March 2018, Taif, Saudi Arabia. Published by Environment Agency- Abu Dhabi, UAE.
		Al Kharusi, Y.H., Alzahlawi, N., O'Donovan, D., Binkulaib, R., Javed, S. & Al Hashmi, A. (Eds.) (2020) Proceedings of the National Workshop for Reviewing the Arabian Oryx Regional Strategy and Action Plan Published by the Environment Agency- Abu Dhabi (EAD), UAE.

Falcon	https://www.falconhospital.com/services/falcon-service/falcon-releasprogramme
Endangered Arabian Wildlife	http://www.epaashj.ae/learning-centres/desert-park-centres/bceaw/
Oryx dammah	https://saharaconservation.org/scimitar-horned-oryx/

Indicator 1.6.3: The number of workshops and other capacity-building activities that bring range States together to address the conservation and management needs of shared, CITES listed, species.

1.6.3a	Have the CITES authorities <i>received or benefited</i> from any of the following capacity-building activities provided by external sources?						
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources ¹ ?
	Staff of Management Authority						
	Staff of Scientific Authority						
	Staff of enforcement authorities				\boxtimes		IFAW
	Traders						
	NGOs						
	Public						
	Other (please specify):						

Please provide the names of Parties, and any non-Parties, involved.

1.6.3b	Have the CITES authorities been the other range States?	provide	rs of any	of the f	ollowi	ng car	pacity-buildir	ng activities to
	Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	De	etails
	Staff of Management Authority			ш «	<u>⊢</u>	ļ		ties in West
			<u> </u>			. — :	Asia	uoo
	Staff of Scientific Authority							
	Staff of enforcement authorities							
	Traders							
	NGOs							
	Public Other Parties/International meetings						awareness	
	Other (please specify)							
1.6.3c	In what ways do you collaborate with	other C	TITES P	ு arties?		<u> </u>		
	m what ways as you see	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Very Often	Always	Furth	er detail / amples
	Information exchange			\boxtimes]	
	Monitoring / survey	\boxtimes]	
	Habitat management]	
	Species management]	
	Law enforcement]	
	Capacity building					L]	
	Other (please provide details)							
Objective 1.7 Parties are enforcing the Convention to reduce illegal wildlife trade. Aichi Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 9, Target 10, Target 12 and Target 19. Indicator 1.7.1: The number of Parties that have, are covered by, or engaged with: - an international enforcement strategy and/or action plan; - formal international cooperation, such as an international enforcement network; - a national enforcement strategy and/or action plan; and - formal national interagency cooperation, such as a national interagency enforcement committee.								
1.7.1a	Do you have, are you engaged in, or co	overed b				Yes	No	No Information
-	– an international enforcement strategy	and/or a	action pl	an?		\square		
	– formal international cooperation, such enforcement network?			nal				
<u> </u>	– a national enforcement strategy and/o					\square		
	 formal national interagency cooperation interagency enforcement committee? 					\boxtimes		
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please spec details:	cify the I	evel of e	engager	nent a	and pro	ovide additio	onal

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e targeted the private sector and non-governmental or meetings of this initiative, it was agreed that it have to the transport and ports sector. The Emirates airlined reld were part of United for Wildlife. The Declaration was ace.	to find ways to end the illegal , Etihad Airways flights and
rsity Strategy And Action Plan 2014 - 2021	
rsity Strategy and Action Plan (2014-2021)	
int/doc/world/ae/ae-nbsap-01-ar.pdf	
	4.0.
<u> </u>	
<u>cae.gov.ae/assets/download/a39d4315/EN_NPOA_f</u>	for SHARKS.pdf.aspx?view=tr
an of Action for the Conservation of Marine Turtles in	the UAE 2019-2021
cae.gov.ae/assets/download/c9139065/NPOA%20fc	or%20the%20conservation%20
Oturtle%20FINAL.pdf.aspx	
r - 1	meetings of this initiative, it was agreed that it have to the transport and ports sector. The Emirates airline ld were part of United for Wildlife. The Declaration wace. rsity Strategy And Action Plan 2014 - 2021 rsity Strategy and Action Plan (2014-2021) int/doc/world/ae/ae-nbsap-01-ar.pdf an of Action for the Conservation and Management of Cae.gov.ae/assets/download/a39d4315/EN_NPOA_1

Indicator 1.7.2: The number of Parties with a process or mechanism for reviewing their enforcement strategies, and the activities taken to implement their strategies.

1.7.2a	Do you have a process or mechanism for reviewing your enforcement strategy(ies) and the activities taken to implement your strategy(ies)?	Yes No, but review is under consideration No No information	
	If 'Yes', what do you do? There are committees in the country adopt and reviewing any plat the species and environment issues such as: Climate Change and Environment The National Biodiversity Committee	ns, projects, initiatives relatin	ıg
	If 'Yes' or 'No, but review is under consideration', which tools do y	ou find of value?	
1.7.2b	Have you used the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICCWC) Wildlife and Forest Crime Analytic Toolkit, or equivalent tools?	Yes No, but toolkit use is unde consideration No No No information	r
	If 'Yes', please provide feedback on the parts of the toolkit used at equivalent tools have been. Please specify improvements that co		
	If 'No', please provide feedback on why not or what is needed to r tools useful to you: The UAE has a National Team to Combat Illegal Wildlife Trade prepare plans and guidelines.	·	

Indicator 1.7.3: The number of Parties that have criminal (penal) law and procedures, capacity to use forensic technology, and capacity to use specialized investigation techniques, for investigating,

prosecuting, and penalizing CITES offences..

1720	De you have law and precedures in place for investigating	Vac	\square
1.7.3a	Do you have law and procedures in place for investigating, prosecuting, and penalizing CITES offences as a crime?	Yes	
	prosecuting, and penalizing of the offices as a crime?	No	
		No information	
	If 'Yes', please provide the title of the legislation and a summary		
	of the penalties available		
	The primary law to implement CITES in the UAE is Federal Law No.		
	(11) for the year 2002 on "Regulating and controlling International		
	Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora". And the Resolution of the Council of Ministers No. 22 of 2003 for Federal		
	Law No. (11) for the year 2002 on "Regulating and controlling		
	International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and		
	Flora".		
	Acceding to Federal Law No. (11) for the year 2002:		
	Appendix I import /export/ re-export/ introduce by sea		
	without permit: fine AED 10,000 to 50,000 and/or prison		
	maximum 6 months.		
	Appendix II or III export/ re-export/ introduce by sea without		
	permit: fine AED 5,000 to 30,000 and prison maximum 3		
	months.		
	 Appendix II import without permit: fine AED 5,000 to 30,000 		
	and/or prison maximum 3 months.		
	 False declaration: fine AED 3,000 - 20,000 and/or prison 		
	maximum 1 month.		
	 Whoever bestowed, sold, presented for sale, or displayed 		
	any of the specimens included in the appendices without		
	permit: fine AED 5,000 to 30,000 and/or prison maximum 3		
	months.		
	 Whoever changed, removed, or omitted any of the marks 		
	used by the management authority to recognize the		
	specimens individually fine AED 2,000 - 10,000 and/or		
	prison maximum 1 month.		
1.7.3b	Are criminal offences such as poaching and wildlife trafficking	Yes	
	recognized as serious crime¹ in your country?	No	\boxtimes
		No information	
	If 'Yes', please explain what criteria must be met for poaching or w	!	he he
	treated as serious crimes:	name tramoking onerlocs to	<i>,</i> 60
1.7.3c	Do you have capacity to use forensic technology ² to support the	Yes	\boxtimes
1.7.50	investigation of CITES offences?	No	
	g	No information	H
	If 97 all all and a significant of the OITE	ļ.	
	If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary of any samples from CITE		- d / - =
	collected and submitted to an appropriate forensic analysis facility another country) during the period covered in this report:	(located in your country ar	iu/Of
	The analysis of samples of red sandalwood, rosewood and Ivory.		
	Dubai Central Laboratory		
	Sharjah Central Laboratory - MoCCAE		
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¹ The United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines serious crime as conduct constituting an offence punishable by imprisonment for at least four years or a more serious penalty.

² Capacity to use forensic technology means the ability to collect, handle and submit samples from crime scenes involving CITES-listed species to an appropriate forensic analysis facility, located either in your country or in another country(ies).

	If 'Yes', and your country has an appropriate forensic analysis facility for CITES-listed species, please indicate which species it applies to: pterocarpus spp, Dalbergia spp, Elephantidae					
1.7.3d	Did your authorities participate in or initiate any multi-disciplinary¹ Yes law enforcement operation(s) targeting CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report? No inform				\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	
	If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary, including any lessons learned which might be helpful for other Parties:					
	The National Team of Combating the Illegal Wildlife T	rade				
	To coordinate efforts with all partners in the country to related to the regulation and control of international trillegal trade in them. A National team was formed from	ade in े	endan	gered species a		
	The team aimed to develop and strengthen the imple laws, policies and plans for the protection of endange between all competent authorities in the field of comb capacities and raising awareness and education.	ered spe	ecies,	coordination an	d cooperation	
1.7.3e	Do you have a standard operating procedure among	rolovor		Yes		
1.7.36	agencies for submitting information related to CITES INTERPOL and/or the World Customs Organization?	offence		No No information		
				No information	If yes, how many	
	Do you have legislative provisions for any of the				times was this	
	following that can be applied to the investigation,			NI	used during the	
1.7.3f	prosecution and/or sentencing of CITES offences as appropriate?	Yes	No	No information	period covered by this report?	
	General crime ²	\boxtimes				
	Predicate offences ³	\boxtimes				
	Asset forfeiture ⁴	\boxtimes				
	Corruption ⁵	\boxtimes				
	International cooperation in criminal matters ⁶	\boxtimes				
	Organized crime ⁷	\boxtimes				
	Specialized investigation techniques ⁸	\boxtimes				
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain how each brief summary, including any lessons learned which r					

A multi-disciplinary law enforcement operation is one that involves officers from all relevant enforcement disciplines as appropriate, for example officers from Police, Customs and the wildlife regulatory authority. It could be either sub-national, national or international in scope.

General crime laws relate to offences such as fraud, conspiracy, possession of weapons, and other matters as set out in the national criminal code.

³ Article 2, paragraph (h) of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines a predicate offence is an offence whose proceeds may become the subject of any of the money-laundering offences established under the Convention.

Asset forfeiture is the seizure and confiscation of assets obtained from criminal activities to ensure that criminals do not benefit from the proceeds of their crimes.

Provisions against corruption include national laws to implement the United Nations Convention against Corruption covering offences such as bribery of officials, embezzlement or misappropriation of public funds, trading in influence and abuse of functions by public officials

⁶ International cooperation in criminal matters includes legislation through which a formal request for mutual legal assistance and/or extradition of a person for criminal prosecution can be forwarded to another country.

Article 2, paragraph (a) of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines an organized criminal group as a structured group of three or more persons, existing for a period of time and acting in concert with the aim of committing one or more serious crimes or offences established in accordance with the Convention, in order to obtain, directly or indirectly, a financial or other material benefit.

Specialized investigation techniques are techniques that are deployed against serious and/or organized crime when conventional law enforcement techniques fail to adequately address the activities of crime groups. Examples include controlled deliveries and covert operations.

1.7.3g	Do you have institutional capacity to implement the legislative provisions listed in question 1.7.3f against CITES offences?	Yes No No information	
	If 'No', please provide a brief summary of your major capacity-buildi	ing needs:	

Indicator 1.7.4: The number of Parties using risk assessment and intelligence to combat illegal trade in CITES-listed species.

1.7.4a	Do you use risk assessment to target CITES enforcement effort?	Always Very often Sometimes	
		Rarely	
		Never	
		No information	Ц
1.7.4b	Do you have capacity to analyse information gathered on illegal	Yes	\boxtimes
	trade in CITES-listed species?	No	
		No information	
1.7.4c	Do you use criminal intelligence¹ to inform investigations into	Always	\boxtimes
	illegal trade in CITES-listed species?	Very often	
		Sometimes	
		Rarely	
		Never	
		No information	
1.74d	Have you implemented any supply-side activities to address illegal	Yes	\boxtimes
	trade in CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report?	No, but activities are under development	
		No	
		No information	
1.7.4e	Have you implemented any demand-side activities to address	Yes	\boxtimes
	illegal trade in CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report?	No, but activities are under development	
		No	
		No information	

¹ Criminal intelligence is information that is compiled, analyzed and disseminated in an effort to anticipate, prevent and/or monitor criminal activity. Examples include information on potential suspects held in a secure database and inferences about the methods, capabilities and intentions of specific criminal networks or individuals that are used to support effective law enforcement action.

Indicator 1.7.5: The number of administrative measures, criminal prosecutions and other court actions for CITES-related offences

During the	e period covered in this report:	Yes	No	No Information		
1.7.5a	Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related offences?	\boxtimes				
	If 'Yes', please indicate how many and for what types of offences. If available, please attack details:					
	The offences:					
	Fines					
	Reject shipments					
	Cancelling operators					
	Confiscated shipments	1				
1.7.5b	Have there been any criminal prosecutions of CITES-related offences?					
	If 'Yes', how many and for what types of offences? If available,	please at	tach details	:		
1.7.5c	Have there been any other court actions against CITES-related offences?	\boxtimes				
	If 'Yes', what were the offences involved and what were the result	s? Please	attach detai	ls:		
1.7.5d	How were any confiscated specimens disposed of?	·	Tick	all that apply		
	 Return to country of export 			\boxtimes		
	Public zoos or botanical gardens			\boxtimes		
	Designated rescue centres			\boxtimes		
	Approved private facilities					
	– Euthanasia					
	 Other (please specify): Storage Unit and Releasing progra 	ms		\boxtimes		
	Have you encountered any challenges in disposing of confisca The infected confiscated specimens.	ited specir	mens?			
	Do you have good practice that you would like to share with ot	her Partie	s?			
	Release of confiscated falcon through Sheikh Zayed Falcon R	elease Pro	ogram			
	Release of houbara birds through international fund for houbar	ra conserv	ation			
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Objective 1.8 Parties and the Secretariat have adequate capacity-building programmes in place. Aichi Target 1, Target 12 and Target 19.

Indicator 1.8.1: The number of Parties with national and regional training programmes and information resources in place to implement CITES including the making of non-detriment findings, issuance of permits and enforcement.

1.8.1a	Do you have information resources or training in place to support: Yes The making of non-detriment findings? Permit officers? □ Enforcement officers? □	No	
1.8.1b	Is the CITES Virtual College used as part of your capacity building work? What improvements could be made in using the Virtual College for capacity building?	Yes No No information	

1.8.1c	Is the ICCWC Wildlife and Forest Crime Toolkit used in the development of capacity-building programmes, or does it form part of the curriculum of such programmes? What improvements could be made in using the ICCWC Toolkit for	Yes No No information	
	capacity building?		

GOAL 2 SECURE THE NECESSARY FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND MEANS FOR THE OPERATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONVENTION

Objective 2.1 Financial resources are sufficient to ensure operation of the Convention.

Information to be provided through records held by the Secretariat on financial management of the Convention.

Objective 2.2 Sufficient resources are secured at the national and international levels to ensure compliance with and implementation and enforcement of the Convention.

Aichi Target 1, Target 2, Target 3, Target 12, Target 19 and Target 20.

Indicator 2.2.1: The number of Parties with dedicated staff and funding for Management Authorities, Scientific Authorities and wildlife trade enforcement agencies.

2.2.1a	Do you have an approved service standard(s)¹ for your	Yes	\boxtimes
	Management Authority(ies)?	No	
	If 'No', please go to Question 2.2.1d.		
	If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?	https://www.moca .gov.ae/en/area- of-	
		focus/government -service- improvement	
	If 'Yes', do you have performance targets for these standards ² ?	Yes	\boxtimes
	If 'Yes', what are your performance targets?	No	
		https://www.moca .gov.ae/en/area- of-	
		focus/government -service- improvement	
	Do you publish your performance against service standard targets?	Yes No	
	If possible, please provide your performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:		
	If you did not meet your performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:	Yes	No
	availability of funding?		\boxtimes
	- number of staff?		\boxtimes
	- a shortage of skills?		
	If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills do you need more of?		
2.2.1b	Do you have an approved service standard(s) ⁴⁷ for your Scientific Authority(ies)?	Yes No	
	If 'No', please go to Question 2.2.1d.		_

For example, a time frame in which you are required to provide a response on a decision to issue or not issue a permit, certificate, or re-export certificate.

² For example, 85% of all decisions will take place within the service standard.

	If 'Yes', for wh standards?	nich services are there stan	dards, and what are those	https://www.moca .gov.ae/en/area- of- focus/government -service- improvement	
	-	u have performance targets are your performance targe		Yes No https://www.moca .gov.ae/en/area-	
				of- focus/government -service- improvement	
		ease provide your performa ring the period covered in th			
	If you did not a result of:	meet your performance targ	gets then was this shortfall	Yes	No
	– availabilitv	of funding?		П	\boxtimes
	number of	-		П	
	– a shortage	e of skills?		П	
	_	nortage of skills, which skills	do you need more of?	_	_
2.2.1c	enforcement a	an approved service standa authority(ies)?	ard(s) ⁴⁷ for your	Yes No	
	-	go to Question 2.2.1d. nich services are there stan	dards, and what are those	https://www.moca	
	standards?		aaras, arra miar are arese	.gov.ae/en/area- of- focus/government -service-	
	If 'Vaa' da va	u baya narfarmanaa targata	ofer these standards ⁴⁸ ?	improvement	\square
	•	u have performance targets are your performance targe		Yes No	
	n 100, what	are year penermanee targe		https://www.moca .gov.ae/en/area- of- focus/government -service-	
				improvement	
		ease provide your performa ring the period covered in th			
	If you did not a result of:	meet your performance tar	gets then was this shortfall	Yes	No
	availability	of funding?			
	number of	staff?			
	a shortage	e of skills?			
	If 'Yes' to a sh	ortage of skills, which skills	do you need more of?		
2.2.1d			ır answered 'No' to the first μ e of approved service stand		S:
	Do you have	sufficient of the following fo	r your authorities to function	effectively?	
		Management Authority(ies)	Scientific Authority(ies)	Enforcement Authority(ies)	
	Funding?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	

Staff?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Yes 🗌 No 🗌
Skills?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Yes 🗌 No 🗌	Yes 🗌 No 🗌

Indicator 2.2.2: The number of Parties that have undertaken one or more of the following activities:

- changed the budget for activities;
- hired more staff;
- developed implementation tools;
- purchased technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement.

2.2.2a	Have any of the following activities been undertaken during the period covered in this report to enhance the effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level? Tick if applicable						
	Hiring of more staff				Tick ii applicable		
	Development of implementation tools						
	Purchase of technical equipment for im	nlementati	on monitorin	a or enforcement			
	Other (please specify):						
2.2.2b	During the period covered in this report budget for your:	t, was the	Increased	Stable	Decreased		
	Management Authority(ies)						
	Scientific Authority(ies)		\square				
	Enforcement authorities		\boxtimes				
2.2.2c	Have you been able to use international development funding assistance to inclevel of implementation of your	ent funding assistance to increase the		No	Not applicable		
	Management Authority(ies)?				\boxtimes		
	Scientific Authority(ies)?				\boxtimes		
	Enforcement authorities?				\boxtimes		
2.2.2d	What is the respective level of priority f the national level through the following		ng the effective	veness of CITES	implementation at		
	Activity	High	Medium	Low	Not a Priority		
	Hiring of more staff	\boxtimes					
	Development of implementation tools	\boxtimes					
	Purchase of new technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement						
	e-permitting	\boxtimes					
	Other (please specify):						
2.2.2e	Do you have a operational system (e.g electronic database) for managing		Yes	Under development	No		
	Species information		\square				
	Trade information		\square				
	Non-detriment findings				\boxtimes		

Indicator 2.2.3: The number of Parties raising funds for CITES implementation through user fees or other mechanisms.

2.2.3a	Does the Management Authority charge fees for:	Tick all that are applicable
	Administrative procedures	\boxtimes

	 Issuance of CITES documents (e.g. for import, exports, re-export, or introduthe sea) 	iction from	\boxtimes
	 Shipment clearance (e.g. for the import, export, re-export, or introduction fro of CITES-listed species) 	om the sea	
	Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species		\boxtimes
	Harvesting of CITES-listed species		
	Use of CITES-listed species		
	Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species		
	Other (please specify):		
2.2.3b	Is a fee schedule publicly available?	Yes 🛛 N	lo 🗌
	If 'Yes', please provide an internet link, or a copy of the schedule to the Secretar	riat:	
2.2.3c	Have revenues from fees been used for the implementation of CITES or wildlife	conservation	ı?
		Entirely	\boxtimes
		Partly	
		Not at all	
		Not relevant	
2.2.3d		Yes	No
	Do you raise funds for CITES management through charging user fees?		\boxtimes
	Do your fees recover the full economic cost of issuing permits?	\boxtimes	
	Do you have case studies on charging or using fees?		\boxtimes
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, please provide brief details: Fees are charged for issuing CITES permits. These financial resources are used to cover operational costs	ıl	
	Do you use innovative financial mechanisms to raise funds for CITES implementation?		\boxtimes
	If 'Yes', please provide brief details:		
Indicator 2.	2.4: The number of Parties using incentive measures as part of their implement Convention.	ntation of the	

2.2.4a	Do you use incentive measures¹ such as those described in CoP14 Doc 14.32 to implement the Convention? YesNo
	Due diligence □ 🖂
	Compensatory mechanisms 🔲 🖂
	Certification
	Communal property rights
	Auctioning of quotas
	Cost recovery or environmental charges □ ⊠
	Enforcement incentives
	If 'Yes' to any of the above, or if you use other measures, please provide a summary or link to further information:
2.2.4b	Have incentives harmful to biodiversity been eliminated? Not at all
	Very little⊡
	Somewhat⊠
	Completely

Defined as 'Social and economic incentives that promote and regulate sustainable management of and responsible trade in, wild flora and flora and promote effective enforcement of the Convention'. The intent of such measures is not to promote wildlife trade as such, but rather to ensure that any wildlife trade undertaken is conducted in a sustainable manner.

Objective 2.3 Sufficient resources are secured at the national and international levels to implement capacity-building programmes.

Aichi Target 12, Target 19 and Target 20.

Indicator 2.3.1: The number of capacity building activities mandated by Resolutions and Decisions that are fully funded.

2.3.1a	you run during the period covered in this report?			Withou from th Secreta	е	assist	ucted or ted by the etariat	
			N	lone				
				1 2-5		\exists		
				6-10				
		ľ	1 [.] More tha	1-20 an 20				
	Please list the Resolutions or Decisions			aii 20				
2.3.1b	What sorts of capacity building activities	have ta	aken pla	ice? V	Vorksho	ps		
2.3.1c	What capacity building needs do you ha	ave?	·•			·•····································		
	Please tick all boxes which apply to indicate which target group and which activity. Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial	Training	Other (specify)	Deta	ails
	Staff of Management Authority	\boxtimes	\boxtimes		\boxtimes			
ļ	Staff of Scientific Authority	\boxtimes			\boxtimes			
ļ	Staff of enforcement authorities							
	Traders / other user groups							
	NGOs							
	Public							
	Other (please specify)							

An activity might be a single day training e.g. for a group of staff from the Management Authority, or a longer course / project undertaken by an individual.

GOAL 3CONTRIBUTE TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCING THE RATE OF BIODIVERSITY LOSS AND TO ACHIEVING RELEVANT GLOBALLY-AGREED GOALS AND TARGETS BY ENSURING THAT CITES AND OTHER MULTILATERAL INSTRUMENTS AND PROCESSES ARE COHERENT AND MUTUALLY SUPPORTIVE

Objective 3.1 Cooperation between CITES and international financial mechanisms and other related institutions is enhanced in order to support CITES-related conservation and sustainable development projects, without diminishing funding for currently prioritized activities.

Aichi Target 2 and Target 20.

Indicator 3.1.1: The number of Parties funded by international financial mechanisms and other related institutions to develop activities that include CITES-related conservation and sustainable development elements.

3.1.1a	Has funding from international financial mechanisms and other related institutions been used to develop activities that include CITES-related conservation and sustainable development elements?	Yes No Not applicable No information	
	If 'Yes', please provide brief details:		
3.1.1b	During the period covered in this report, has funding for your country from international funding mechanisms and other related institutions: NA	Increased Remained stable Decreased	

Indicator 3.1.2: The number of countries and institutions that have provided additional funding from CITES Authorities to another country or activity for conservation and sustainable development projects in order to further the objectives of the Convention.

3.1.2a	Have you provided technical or financial assistance to another country or countries in relation to CITES?					Yes No No	information	
	If 'Yes', please tick boxes to indicate type of assistance provided Country(ies)	Species Management¹	Habitat Management²	Sustainable use	Law Enforcement	Livelihoods	Other (specify)	Details (provide more information in an Appendix if necessary)
	The Mohamed bin Zayed Species Conservation Fund has awarded \$1,502,029 to 170 conservation project in 2019 and \$1,532,983 to 145 conservation projects in 2020							https://www.species conservation.org/

Use species conservation column for work directly related to species – e.g. population surveys, education programmes, conflict resolution, etc.

Use habitat conservation column for work that will indirectly support species conservation – e.g. habitat management, development of policy frameworks for how land is managed, etc.

Objective 3.2 Awareness of the role and purpose of CITES is increased globally. Aichi Target 1, Target 4, Target 12 and Target 18.

Indicator 3.2.1: The number of Parties that have been involved in CITES awareness raising activities to bring about better awareness by the wider public and relevant user groups of the Convention requirements.

3.2.1a	Have CITES authorities been involved in any of the following activities to bring about better awareness of the Convention's requirements by the wider public and relevant user groups?	Wider public	Relevant User Groups
	- Press conferences	\boxtimes	
	- Press releases	\boxtimes	П
	Newspaper articles, brochures, leaflets	\boxtimes	$\overline{\sqcap}$
	Television appearances	\boxtimes	
	Radio appearances	\boxtimes	
	- Presentations	\boxtimes	
	Public consultations / meetings	\boxtimes	
	Market surveys	\boxtimes	
	- Displays	\boxtimes	
	Information at border crossing points	\boxtimes	
	Telephone hotline	\boxtimes	
	Website(s) – if so please provide link(s) www.moccae.gov.ae	\boxtimes	
	Other (specify):		
	Please attach copies of any items or describe examples:		
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bo_XcjsXPgc		
	https://www.instagram.com/moccaeuae/		
	https://twitter.com/MoCCaEUAE		
	https://www.instagram.com/Environmentabudhabi/		
	https://www.instagram.com/epaa_shj/		
	https://www.instagram.com/epdarak/		
	https://twitter.com/eadtweets		
	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdRGaYXrqkMlxoEfshDDfyA		

Indicator 3.2.2: The number of visits to the CITES website.

3.2.2a	How regularly do your Authorities consult the CITES website?					
	Please tick boxes to indicate the most frequent usage (decide on an average amongst staff if necessary). Target group	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	Less frequently	Not known
	Staff of Management Authority	\boxtimes				
	Staff of Scientific Authority		\boxtimes			
	Staff of enforcement authorities					

3.2.2b	What has been your experience with using the CITES website?	Excellent	\boxtimes		
		Good			
		Average			
		Poor			
		Very Poor			
		No information			
	Any further comments on the CITES Website? (e.g. useful aspects, any difficulties er which authorities find which functions/tools most useful, what is missing, etc):				
	- Adding a section in country profile to show the links of CITES service	es of parties.			
	- Update the email addresses of parties.				
	- Species database should be very prominent to display.				

Indicator 3.2.3: The number of Parties with web pages on CITES and its requirements.

A question relating to this indicator is within question 3.2.1a.

Objective 3.3 Cooperation with relevant international environmental, trade and development organizations is enhanced.

Indicator 3.3.1 The number of Parties which report that they have achieved synergies in their implementation of CITES, other biodiversity-related conventions and other relevant multilateral environmental, trade and development agreements.

3.3.1a	Have measures been taken to achieve coordination and reduce duplication of activities between the national CITES authorities and national focal points for other multilateral environmental agreements (e.g. the other biodiversity-related conventions: CBD, CMS, ITPGR, Ramsar, WHC) ¹ to which your country is party?	Yes No No information			
	If 'Yes', please give a brief description: There are coordination and cooperation between all national CITES authorities, focal points for other multilateral environmental agreements and related entities are working as a team.				

Indicator 3.3.2: The number of biodiversity conservation or sustainable use projects, trade and development goals, or scientific and technical programmes that integrate CITES requirements.

3.3.2a	How many international projects which integrate CITES issues has your country contributed towards?		
3.3.2b	In addition to 3.2.2a, how many national level projects has your country implemented which integrate CITES issues?		
3.3.2c	C Have there been any efforts at a national scale for your CITES Management or Scientific Authorities to collaborate with: Yes		No
	Agencies for development?	\boxtimes	
	Agencies for trade?	\boxtimes	
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities?	\boxtimes	
	Local authorities or communities?	\boxtimes	
	Indigenous or local peoples?	\boxtimes	
	Trade or other private sector associations?	\boxtimes	
	NGOs?	\boxtimes	
	Other (please specify)		
3.3.2d	Are CITES requirements integrated into?	Yes	No
	National and local development strategies?	\boxtimes	
	National and local poverty reduction strategies?	\boxtimes	
	Planning processes?	\boxtimes	
	National accounting?	\boxtimes	

CBD = Convention on Biological Diversity; CMS = Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals, ITPGR = International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture, Ramsar = The Convention on Wetlands of International Importance, WHC = World Heritage Convention.

Indicator 3.3.3: The number of Parties cooperating / collaborating with intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations to participate in and/or fund CITES workshops and other training and capacity-building activities.

3.3.3a	3.3.3a Has funding been provided or received to facilitate CITES workshops, training or other capacity building activities to / from:		Which organizations?
	Inter-governmental organizations?		
	Non-governmental organizations?		

Objective 3.4

The contribution of CITES to the relevant Millennium Development Goals, the sustainable development goals set at WSSD, the *Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020* and the relevant *Aichi Biodiversity Targets*, and the relevant outcomes of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development is strengthened by ensuring that international trade in wild fauna and flora is conducted at sustainable levels.

This objective may also be assessed by a variety of means beyond the reporting format, including action taken to implement many of the CITES resolutions and decisions.

Aichi Target 1, Target 2, Target 3, Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 12, Target 14, Target 17, Target 18 and Target 19.

Indicator 3.4.1: The conservation status of species listed on the CITES Appendices has stabilized or improved.

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	3.4.1a	•	e data which shows that the conservation sta occurring species in your country listed on the					
			endices has stabilized or improved?	•	Yes	No	Not Applicable	
			Appendi	хI	\boxtimes		 	
			Appendix		\boxtimes			
			Appendix					
		If there are	such studies that you are willing to share, ple			Ш		
			occae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/PublicGallery/inde	•		10c06aa7	700/df1023hh8c	
		03d3ba4af	occae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/r ubilcoaliery/inde.	X.11U1111 : C	<u>арріц-ці</u>	13030aa1	094d11923bb0C	
•		Species name (scientific)	Link to the data, or a brief summary				'	ı
		Marine Mammals	https://gis.moccae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/Map.	lournal/i	ndex.htn	nl?appid=	=77c2539c3bb740	1f9893531d
		Sea Snake	https://gis.moccae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/MapS	Series/in	idex.htm	l?appid=3	3ad56ff0b492426e	87dda00e4
		Marine Turtles	https://gis.moccae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/Map.	lournal/i	ndex.htn	nl?appid=	=0c39f8dabc1943e	e8b5ee6d71
		Marine and Terrestrial Herps	https://gis.moccae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/MapS	Series/in	idex.htm	l?appid=9	947865f44ca4440 <u>k</u>	oaa3acc963
		Marine and Terrestrials Mammals	https://gis.moccae.gov.ae/arcgis/apps/MapS	Series/in	idex.htm	l?appid=1	14ded69fa70a467	5bb54581dl

3.4.1b	Do you have examples of specific examples of success stories or emerging problems with any CITES listed species?	Yes No No information	
	If 'Yes', please provide details:		
	Arabian oryx formerly occurred in the deserts of the western UAE. The late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, former President of the UAE, found a valuable breeding herd of oryx in Abu Dhabi that has furnished stock for reintroductions. Currently, two reintroductions of Arabian oryx in the UAE are well documented including the Arabian oryx release in the Dubai Desert Conservation Reserve and the Arabian oryx reintroduction in the Abu Dhabi Emirate. There are other oryx breeding herds in the UAE including Al Ain Zoo, Sharja's Breeding Centre for Endangered Arabian Wildlife, and several more private collections in Abu Dhabi and Dubai. Recent records showed that UAE hosts more than 7000 Arabian oryx.		
	Over 40 years ago the founder of the UAE, the late Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, noted the decline of Houbara numbers in the wild. A committed environmentalist, Sheikh Zayed initiated Abu Dhabi's Houbara conservation programme in the 1970s based on a vision to sustain wildlife through the preservation of heritage and underpinned by principles that promote sustainability and maintain ecological balance. This was to be achieved by advancing knowledge and understanding of the species and applying the latest scientific capabilities and techniques to breed Houbara in captivity and release them into the wild to support and conserve wild populations of Houbara across its entire range. Recent recodes show that the number of birds produced in captivity has reached more than 590,000 houbara since 1996.		
	The Breeding Centre for Endangered Arabian Wildlife was founded to prevent the extinction of these rare animals. Located in Sharjah Desert Park, this modern centre uses science and research to promote the breeding of nearly 200 species of threatened Arabian wildlife. The Arabian leopard is one of the success stories at this Sharjah wildlife centre, with the big cat's population in the wild slowly increasing from 250.		

Indicator 3.4.2: The number of Parties incorporating CITES into their National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP).

3.4.2a	Has CITES been incorporated into your country's National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP)?	Yes No No information	
3.4.2b	Have you been able to obtain funds from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) or other sources to support CITES aspects of NBSAP implementation?	Yes No No information	

Objective 3.5	Parties and the Secretariat cooperate with other relevant international organizations and agreements dealing with natural resources, as appropriate, in order to achieve a coherent and collaborative approach to species which can be endangered by unsustainable trade, including
	those which are commercially exploited.
	Aichi Target 2, Target 4, Target 5, Target 6, Target 7, Target 10, Target 12, Target 14 and
	Target 19.

Indicator 3.5.1: The number of cooperative actions taken under established bilateral or multilateral agreements to prevent species from being unsustainably exploited through international trade.

3.5.1a	Has your country taken action under established bilateral or multilateral agreements other than CITES to prevent species from being unsustainably exploited through international trade? If 'Yes', please provide details: The bilateral agreements in houbara and falcon conservations	Yes No No information	
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Indicator 3.5.2: The number of times other relevant international organizations and agreements dealing with natural resources are consulted on issues relevant to species subject to unsustainable trade.

3.5.2a	Average number of times per year that international organizations or agreements have been consulted by CITES Authorities	Once	2-5 times	6-20 times	More than 20 times	No consultation	Optional comment about which organizations and issues consulted on
	Management Authority(ies)		\boxtimes				
	Scientific Authority(ies)		\boxtimes				
	Enforcement Authority(ies)		\boxtimes				

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http://www.houbarafund.org/en/

Al Ain Zoo

https://alainzoo.ae/

Environment & Protected Areas Authority – Sharjah

http://www.epaashj.ae/

Mohamed bin Zayed Species Conservation Fund

https://www.speciesconservation.org/

Abu Dhabi Falcon Hospital

https://www.falconhospital.com

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