

Implementation report format

The format below follows the structure of the *CITES Strategic Vision: 2021-2030* and aims to collect information to enable the Strategic Vision indicators to be monitored.

CITES vision statement

By 2030, all international trade in wild fauna and flora is legal and sustainable, consistent with the long-term conservation of species, and thereby contributing to halting biodiversity loss, to ensuring its sustainable use, and to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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.

The questions of the implementation report follow the structure of the *Strategic Vision 2021-2030* and its indicators that are mapped against the Sustainable Development Goals and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework to ensure synergies and consistent reporting.

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 [Resolution Conf. 11.17 \(Rev. CoP19\)](#) which urges that the report should be submitted to the Secretariat on 31 October of the 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 and to **answer at a minimum all questions in bold**. 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:

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

Party	Japan
Period covered in this report	1 January 2021 – 31 December 2023
Department or agency preparing this report	Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Japan
Contributing departments, agencies and organizations	CITES Management Authorities of Japan CITES Scientific Authorities of Japan CITES Enforcement Authorities of Japan

GOAL 1 TRADE IN CITES-LISTED SPECIES IS CONDUCTED IN FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THE CONVENTION IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THEIR CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE

Objective 1.1 Parties comply with their obligations under the Convention through the adoption and implementation of appropriate legislation, policies, and procedures.
[SDG Goals 12, 14 & 15](#)
[GBF Goal A & Targets 4, 5, 9 & 10](#)

Indicator 1.1.1: Number of Parties that are in category 1 under the national legislation project.
(Data source: National Legislation Project)

1.1.1a	Have any CITES relevant policies or legislation been developed during the period covered in this report? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If 'Yes', have you shared information with the Secretariat? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable <input type="checkbox"/> 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If 'No', please provide details of the constraints faced:

Indicator 1.1.2: Number of Parties subject to CITES recommendations to suspend trade.
(Data source: Notifications to the Parties and reference list of countries subject to a recommendation to suspend trade)

Objective 1.2 Parties have established CITES Management and Scientific Authorities and enforcement focal points that effectively carry out the duties required of them under the Convention and relevant Resolutions.

Indicator 1.2.1: Number of Parties that have designated at least one Management Authority, independent Scientific Authority and enforcement focal points in place.
(Data source: CITES online directory)

Objective 1.3 Implementation of the Convention at the national level is consistent with Resolutions and Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties.
[SDG Goals 12, 14 & 15](#)
[GBF Goal A & Targets 4, 5, 9, 10 & 15](#)

Indicator 1.3.1: Number of Parties that have implemented relevant reporting under Resolutions and Decisions of the Conference of the Parties and/or Standing Committee recommendations.

1.3.1a	Has your country responded to all relevant special reporting requirements that are active during 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])?
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	Responses provided to ALL relevant reporting requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Responses provided to SOME of the relevant reporting requirements <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Responses provided to NONE of the relevant reporting requirements <input type="checkbox"/> No special reporting requirements applicable <input type="checkbox"/>
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? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 status and needs of species.

[SDG Goal 15](#)

[GBF Goal A & Targets 4 & 5](#)

Indicator 1.4.1: The number and proportion of species listed in Appendices that have been found to meet the criteria for each Appendix contained in Resolution Conf. 9.24 (Rev. CoP17) or its successors as part of the Periodic Review process or of amendment proposals

Objective 1.5 Parties improve the conservation status of CITES-listed specimens, put in place national conservation actions, support their sustainable use and promote cooperation in managing shared wildlife resources.

[SDG Goals 2, 12, 14 & 15](#)

[GBF Goals A & B & Targets 4, 5, 9 & 10](#)

Indicator 1.5.1: The conservation status of species listed on the CITES Appendices has stabilized or improved. (Data source: IUCN Red List conservations status categories)

1.5.1a (previously 3.4.1a)	Does your country have data which shows that the conservation status of naturally occurring species in your country listed on the CITES Appendices has stabilized or improved?			
		Yes	No	Not Applicable
	Appendix I	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Appendix II	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Appendix III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If there are such studies that you are willing to share, please provide:			
	Species name (scientific)	Link to the data, or a brief summary		
	Dolphins, Porpoises, Whales, Sharks	http://kokushi.fra.go.jp/index-2.html (Japanese only)		
		https://www.jfa.maff.go.jp/e/whale/index.html#:~:text=Scientific%20Progress%20Report		
	Many terrestrial endangered species including Nipponia nippon, Ciconia boyciana, Grus japonensis, Goniurosaurus kuroiwae, Andrias japonicus	https://ikilog.biodic.go.jp/Rdb/ (Japanese only)		

1.5.1b (previously 3.4.1b)	Do you have examples of specific examples of success stories or emerging problems with any CITES listed species?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No information <input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please provide details: Efforts to conserve in- and ex-situ habitats based on the following plan (1.5.2) have resulted in stable habitat conditions for some species.			

Indicator 1.5.2: Number of CITES-listed species for which Parties have put in place actions that support sustainable use.

1.5.2 (previously 1.6.2a)	Does your country have any cooperative management plans, including recovery plans, in place for shared populations of CITES-listed species? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
	If 'Yes', please list the species for which these plans are in place and provide a link or reference to a published plan for each species.		
	Species Name (scientific)	Link or reference to a published plan	
	<u>Threskiornithidae</u> (<i>Nipponia nippon</i>) ,	http://www.env.go.jp/nature/kisho/hogozoushoku/index.html (Japanese only)	
	Accipitridae (<i>Grus japonensis</i>) ,		
	<u>Eublepharidae</u> (<i>Goniurosaurus kuroiwae</i>) etc	https://kyushu.env.go.jp/okinawa/amami-okinawa/en/plans/index.html	

GOAL 2 PARTIES' DECISIONS ARE SUPPORTED BY THE BEST AVAILABLE SCIENCE AND INFORMATION

Objective 2.1 Parties' non-detriment findings are based on best available scientific information and their determination of legal acquisition is based on the best available technical and legal information.
 SDG Goals 12, 14 & 15
 GBF Targets 4, 5, 9 & 20

Indicator 2.1.1: Number of Parties that have adopted standard procedures for making non-detriment findings (NDFs).

2.1.1a (previously 1.5.2a)	Does your country have standard procedures for making non-detriment findings in line with Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No information <input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please briefly describe your procedures for making non-detriment findings, or attach as an annex to this report, or provide a link to where the information can be found on the internet: https://cites.org/eng/prog/shark/Information_resources_from_Parties_and_other_stakeholders#NDFs and NDF guidance			
2.1.1b (previously 1.5.2b)	When establishing non-detriment findings, have any of the following guidance been used?	Please tick all that apply		
	Virtual College	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	IUCN Checklist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Resolution Conf. 16.7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	2008 NDF workshop	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Species specific guidance	<input type="checkbox"/>		

		Other	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Other' or 'Species specific guidance', please specify details:		
2.1.1c (previously 1.5.2c)	How often does your country review and/or change your non-detriment findings?	Case by case	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Annually	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Every two years	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Less frequently	<input type="checkbox"/>
		A mix of the above	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Please describe the circumstances under which non-detriment findings would be changed:		

Indicator 2.1.2: Number of written NDFs submitted and number of Parties submitting NDFs for posting in the CITES online database.
(Data source: NDF webpage on the CITES website)

Indicator 2.1.3: Number of Parties that have included the legal acquisition finding obligation in their national regulatory framework, as recommended by Resolution Conf. 18.7 (Rev. CoP19).

2.1.3		Yes	No	No information
	Is the legal acquisition finding obligation included in your national regulatory framework, as recommended by Resolution Conf. 18.7 (Rev. CoP19)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please briefly include the name of the regulatory instrument, or provide a link to where the information can be found on the internet:			
	Exports/Re-exports (Japanese only)			
	https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/external_economy/trade_control/02_exandim/06_washington/cites_ex4_syorui.html			
	Exports/Re-exports of CARCHARHINIDAE spp. (Japanese only)			
	https://www.meti.go.jp/policy/external_economy/trade_control/02_exandim/06_washington/cites_ex4_syorui_2-2.html			

Objective 2.2 Parties cooperate in sharing information and tools relevant to the implementation of CITES.
 SDG Goal 12
 GBF Goal B & Targets 20 & 21

Indicator 2.2.1: Number of surveys, studies or other analyses undertaken by exporting countries based on the sources of information cited in Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17) on *Non-detriment findings* related to: - the population status of Appendix-II species; - the trends and impact of trade upon Appendix-II species; and - the status of and trend in naturally occurring Appendix I species and the impact of any recovery plans.

<p>2.2.1a (previously 1.5.1a)</p>	<p>Have any surveys, studies or other analyses been undertaken in your country in relation to:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Yes</th> <th>No</th> <th>Not Applicable</th> <th>If Yes, How many?</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>- the population status of Appendix II species?</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- the trends and impact of trade on Appendix II species?</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- the status of and trend in naturally-occurring Appendix I species?</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/>16</td> </tr> <tr> <td>- the impact of any recovery plans on Appendix I species?</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/>4</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Have the surveys, studies or analyses integrated relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities?</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>If there are such studies that you are willing to share, please provide:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Species name (scientific)</p> <p>Dolphins, Porpoises, Whales, Sharks, Humphead wrasse</p> <p>http://kokushi.fra.go.jp/index-2.html (Japanese only)</p> <p>https://www.jfa.maff.go.jp/e/whale/index.html#:~:text=Scientific%20Progress%20Reports%20on%20Cetacean%20Research</p> <p><u>Threskiornithidae</u> (<i>Nipponia nippon</i>) , <u>Accipitridae</u> (<i>Grus japonensis</i>) , <u>Eublepharidae</u> (<i>Goniurosaurus kuroi</i>wae) etc</p> <p>http://www.env.go.jp/nature/kisho/hogozoushoku/index.html (Japanese only)</p> <p>https://kyushu.env.go.jp/okinawa/amami-okinawa/en/plans/index.html</p>		Yes	No	Not Applicable	If Yes, How many?	- the population status of Appendix II species?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 31	- the trends and impact of trade on Appendix II species?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 31	- the status of and trend in naturally-occurring Appendix I species?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 16	- the impact of any recovery plans on Appendix I species?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	Have the surveys, studies or analyses integrated relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<p>2.2.1b (previously 1.5.1b)</p>	<p>How are the results of such surveys, studies or other analyses used in making non-detriment findings (NDFs)? Please tick all that apply</p> <p>Revised harvest or export quotas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Banning export <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Stricter domestic measures <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Changed management of the species <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Discussion with Management Authorities <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Discussion with other stakeholders? <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other (please provide a short summary):</p>																														
<p>2.2.1c (previously 1.5.1c)</p>	<p>Does your country have specific conservation measures or recovery plans for naturally occurring Appendix-I listed species?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Not Applicable <input type="checkbox"/></p>																														

	<p style="text-align: right;">No information <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary, including, if possible, an evaluation of their impact: Domestic trade in CITES Appendix-I terrestrial species, including non-domestic species, is basically prohibited. Additionally, all domestic CITES Appendix-I species are regulated for its capture and/or collection, and efforts are being made for its population increase, including ex situ conservation.</p>
<p>2.2.1d (previously 1.5.1d)</p>	<p>Has ve your <u>country</u> published any non-detriment findings that can be shared? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If 'Yes', please provide links or examples to the Secretariat within this report: https://cites.org/eng/prog/shark/Information_resources_from_Parties_and_other_stakeholders#NDFs and NDF guidance</p>

2.2.1e (previously 1.5.1e)	Which of the following [A to F of paragraph 1 a) x) of Resolution Conf. 16.7 (Rev. CoP17)] does your country use in making non-detriment findings?	Yes	No
	A. relevant scientific literature concerning species biology, life history, distribution and population trends.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	B. details of any ecological risk assessments conducted.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	C. scientific surveys conducted at harvest locations and at sites protected from harvest and other impacts.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	D. relevant knowledge and expertise of local and indigenous communities.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	E. consultations with relevant local, regional and international experts.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	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.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Indicator 2.2.2: Number and proportion of annual export quotas based on population surveys.
(Data source: Quotas webpage on the CITES website)

2.2.2a (previously 1.5.3a)	Does your country set annual export quotas?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', does your country set quotas based on population survey, or by other means? Please specify, for each species, how quotas are set:		
	Species Name (scientific) Geoemyda japonica	Population Survey?	Other, please specify Regulated by domestic law
		<input type="checkbox"/>	
		<input type="checkbox"/>	
		<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.2.2b (previously 1.5.3b)	Have annual export quotas been set at levels which will ensure sustainable production and consumption?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please describe how this fits into your non-detriment finding process: A zero export quota is set to ensure the implementation of the domestic law to prevent capture from their natural habitats		

Indicator 2.2.3: 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.

2.2.3a (previously 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.	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	What were the external sources ¹ ?
		Target group					
Staff of Management Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Meeting with experts	

¹ Please provide the names of Parties, and any non-Parties, involved.

Staff of Scientific Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Informal panel of experts on fishery biology/science/utilization.
Staff of enforcement authorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Traders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
NGOs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Public	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

2.2.3b (previously 1.6.3b)	Have the CITES authorities been the providers of any of the following capacity-building activities to other range States?					
Please tick boxes to indicate which target group and which activity.		Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)
Target group	Details					
Staff of Management Authority		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff of Scientific Authority		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Staff of enforcement authorities		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Traders		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NGOs		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other Parties/International meetings		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2.2.3c (previously 1.6.3c)	In what ways does your country collaborate with other CITES Parties?					
		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Very Often	Always
Information exchange		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monitoring / survey		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Habitat management		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Species management		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Law enforcement		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Capacity building		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please provide details)						Further detail / examples

2.2.3d (previously 2.3.1a)	How many training and capacity building activities ¹ has your country run during the period covered in this report?	Without assistance from the Secretariat	Conducted or assisted by the Secretariat				
	None	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
	1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
	2-5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
	6-10	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
	11-20	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
	More than 20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Please list the Resolutions or Decisions involved:							
2.2.3e (previously 2.3.1b)	What sorts of capacity building activities have taken place?						
2.2.3f (previously 2.3.1c)	What capacity building needs does your country have?						
Please tick all boxes which apply to indicate which target group and which activity.							
	Target group	Oral or written advice/guidance	Technical assistance	Financial assistance	Training	Other (specify)	Details
	Staff of Management Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Staff of Scientific Authority	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Staff of enforcement authorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Traders / other user groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	NGOs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Public	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Indicator 2.2.4: Number of reports shared by the Parties in compliance with the Resolutions of the Convention. (Data source: CITES Secretariat)

Indicator 2.2.5: Number of Parties sharing information relevant to the implementation of CITES (e.g. shared databases, data visualization/software, information-sharing focused tools, etc.).

2.2.5	Has your country shared information relevant to the implementation of CITES (e.g. shared databases, data visualization/software, information-sharing focused tools, etc.)?	Yes No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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Indicator 2.2.6: Number of CoP side-events where Parties present information and tools relevant to the implementation of CITES (Data source: CoP side-event schedule and descriptions)

Objective 2.3 Parties have sufficient information to enforce the Convention.
[SDG Goal 12](#)
[GBF Goal D & Targets 15 & 21](#)

Indicator 2.3.1: Proportion of Parties that are making use of the available tools. For instance, one could look at Google Analytics for the number of site visits to the CITES website, CITES Checklist, or Species+ or the number of downloads from the CITES Trade Database as a proxy for usage of shared tools.

¹ 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.

(Data source: CITES Secretariat – Number of visits to the CITES website; number of visits to the CITES Checklist and Species+; number of downloads from the CITES Trade Database)

Indicator 2.3.2: Percentage of Parties reporting having sufficient information to enforce the Convention.

2.3.2	Do you consider that your country has sufficient information to enforce the Convention?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Objective 2.4 Parties have sufficient information to make listing decisions that are reflective of species conservation needs.

[SDG Goal 12](#)

[GBF Goals A & D & Targets 5, 20 & 21](#)

Indicator 2.4.1: Percentage of Parties reporting having sufficient information to make listing decisions that are reflective of species conservation needs.

2.4.1	Do you consider that your country has sufficient information to make listing decisions that are reflective of species conservation needs?	Yes No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
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Objective 2.5 Information gaps and needs for key species are identified and addressed.

[SDG Goal 12](#)

[GBF Target 21](#)

Indicator 2.5.1: Number of Parties that have undertaken research (including for non-detriment findings) on their identified key species most relevant to the implementation of the Convention.

2.5.1a	Has research (including for non-detriment findings) on your identified key species most relevant to the implementation of the Convention been undertaken in your country?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please indicate how you identify key species:	
2.5.1b <small>(previously 1.4.1a)</small>	Has your country undertaken any reviews of whether species would benefit from listing on the CITES Appendices?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please provide a summary here, or a link to the report of the work (or a copy of that report to the Secretariat if the work is not available online):	

Indicator 2.5.2: Number of Parties that currently lack information for their identified key species most relevant to the implementation of the Convention and need assistance to address them.

2.5.2	Do you consider that your country currently lacks information on your identified key species most relevant to the implementation of the Convention and needs assistance to address them?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please specify for which key species and the type of assistance needed:	

GOAL 3 PARTIES (INDIVIDUALLY AND COLLECTIVELY) HAVE THE TOOLS, RESOURCES AND CAPACITY TO EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE THE CONVENTION, CONTRIBUTING TO CONSERVATION, SUSTAINABLE USE AND THE REDUCTION OF ILLEGAL TRADE IN CITES-LISTED WILDLIFE SPECIES

Objective 3.1 Parties have in place administrative procedures that are transparent, practical, coherent and user-friendly, and reduce unnecessary administrative burdens.
[SDG Goal 16](#)
[GBF Goal D](#)

Indicator 3.1.1: 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
3.1.1 (previously 1.2.1a)	Does your country have standard operating procedures for application for and issuance of permits?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are the procedures publicly available?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Indicator 3.1.2: Number of Parties making use of the simplified procedures provided for in Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP19).

3.1.2 (previously 1.2.2a)	Has your country developed simplified procedures for any of the following?	Tick all applicable		
		Yes	No	No information
	Where biological samples of the type and size specified in Annex 4 to Resolution Conf. 12.3 (Rev. CoP19) are urgently required.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	For the issuance of pre-Convention certificates or equivalent documents in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 2 .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	For the issuance of certificates of captive breeding or artificial propagation in accordance with Article VII, paragraph 5 .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	For the issuance of export permits or re-export certificates in accordance with Article IV for specimens referred to in Article VII, paragraph 4 .	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Are there other cases judged by a Management Authority to merit the use of simplified procedures? If 'Yes', please provide details:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Indicator 3.1.3: Number of Parties that have adopted an electronic system for the issuance of permits.

		Yes	No	No information
3.1.3 (previously 1.2.1b)	Does your country have:			
	Electronic data management and a paper-based permit issuance system?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Electronic permit information exchange between Management Authorities of some countries If 'Yes', please list countries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Electronic permit information exchange to Management Authorities of all countries?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic permit data exchange between Management Authorities and customs?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electronic permit used to cross border with electronic validation by customs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes' to any of the above, please provide information on challenges faced or issues overcome: Introduction of electronic signature on CITES permit, Connection of Japanese MA/Custom to other parties' MAs/Customs, etc.			
If 'No', do you have any plans to move towards e-permitting¹?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you are planning to move towards e-permitting, please explain what might help you to do so: No any scheduled plans yet, but interested in e-permitting. Continuous efforts of the Cites secretariat on this matter is highly appreciated.			

Objective 3.2 Parties and the Secretariat develop, adopt and implement adequate capacity-building programmes.
[SDG Goal 17](#)
[GBF Goal D & Targets 20 & 21](#)

Indicator 3.2.1: Number of Parties with training programmes and information resources in place to implement CITES, including the making of non-detriment and legal acquisition findings, issuance of permits and enforcement.

3.2.1a (previously 1.8.1a)	Does your country have information resources or training in place to support: YesNo		
	The making of non-detriment findings?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Permit officers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Enforcement officers?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3.2.1b (previously 1.8.1b)	Is the CITES Virtual College used as part of your capacity building work?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
	What improvements could be made in using the Virtual College for capacity building?		
3.2.1c (previously 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?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	What improvements could be made in using the ICCWC Toolkit for capacity building?		

Indicator 3.2.2: 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.

See questions for indicator 2.2.3

Objective 3.3 Sufficient resources are available at the national and international levels to support necessary capacity-building programmes and ensure compliance with and full implementation and enforcement of the Convention.
[SDG Goals 15 & 17](#)
[GBF Goal D & Targets 20 & 21](#)

Indicator 3.3.1: Number of Parties meeting their obligations with regard to their assessed contributions to the Trust Fund.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

¹ 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.

Indicator 3.3.2: Percentage of the total funds required to implement the work programme agreed by the Conference of the Parties that is fully funded.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

Objective 3.4 Parties recognize illegal trade in wildlife as serious crime and have adequate systems in place to detect and deter it.
[SDG Goal 15](#)

Indicator 3.4.1: Number of Parties where criminal offences relating to illegal trade in wildlife (such as illegal hunting/harvest and wildlife trafficking) are recognized as a serious crime.

<p>3.4.1a (previously 1.7.3b)</p>	<p>Are criminal offences such as poaching and wildlife trafficking recognized as serious crime¹ in your country?</p> <p>If 'Yes', please explain what criteria must be met for poaching or wildlife trafficking offences to be treated as serious crimes: Same as 3.4.1b below.</p> <p>Furthermore, poaching or capture of nationally endangered species, and transferring or receiving endangered species without any permission are treated as serious crimes under the Act on the Conservation of Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora.</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>3.4.1b (previously 1.7.3a)</p>	<p>Does your country have law and procedures in place for investigating, prosecuting, and penalizing CITES offences as a crime?</p> <p>If 'Yes', please provide the title of the legislation and a summary of the penalties available</p> <p>Extract of relevant provisions of the Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act are as follows.</p> <p>Article 53</p> <p>(2)The Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry may prohibit a person who has violated this Act, any order based on this Act, or any disposition based thereon with regard to the import or export of goods from carrying out import or export for a period of not more than one year.</p> <p>Article 69-7</p> <p>(1) Any person who falls under any of the following items shall be punished by imprisonment with work for not more than five years or a fine of not more than ten million yen, or both; provided, however, that when five times the price of the subject matter of the violation exceeds ten million yen, a fine shall be not more than five times the price.</p> <p>(iv) Any person who has exported goods without obtaining approval specified by the provisions of an order pursuant to Article 48, paragraph (3).</p> <p>(v) Any person who has imported goods without obtaining approval specified by the provisions of an order pursuant to Article 52.</p> <p>Article 70</p> <p>(1) Any person who falls under any of the following items shall be punished by imprisonment with work for not more than three years or a fine of not more than one million yen, or both; provided, however, that three times the price of the subject matter of the violation exceeds one million yen, a fine shall be not more than three times the price.</p> <p>(xxxiii) Any person who has imported or exported goods in violation of prohibition of import or export of goods</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No information <input type="checkbox"/></p>

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.

	pursuant to the provisions of Article 53, paragraph (2). (xxxvi) Any person who has obtained permission or approval pursuant to the provisions of Article 25, paragraph (1), the provisions of an order pursuant to paragraph (2) or paragraph (3) of said article or the provisions of paragraph (4) of said article, or the provisions of Article 48, paragraph (1), the provisions of an order pursuant to paragraph (2) or paragraph (3) of said article, or the provisions of an order pursuant to Article 52 through deception or other wrongful means.				
3.4.1c (previously 1.7.3c)	Does your country have capacity to use forensic technology ¹ to support the investigation of CITES offences? If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary of any samples from CITES-listed species that were collected and submitted to an appropriate forensic analysis facility (located in your country and/or another country) during the period covered in this report: If 'Yes', and your country has an appropriate forensic analysis facility for CITES-listed species, please indicate which species it applies to:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>			
3.4.1d (previously 1.7.3d)	Did your authorities participate in or initiate any multi-disciplinary ² law enforcement operation(s) targeting CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report? If 'Yes', please provide a brief summary, including any lessons learned which might be helpful for other Parties:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> No information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3.4.1e (previously 1.7.3e)	Does your country have a standard operating procedure among relevant agencies for submitting information related to CITES offences to INTERPOL and/or the World Customs Organization?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>			
3.4.1f (previously 1.7.3f)	Does your country have legislative provisions for any of the following that can be applied to the investigation, prosecution and/or sentencing of CITES offences as appropriate?				If yes, how many times was this used during the period covered by this report?
	General crime ³	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information
	Predicate offences ⁴	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information
	Asset forfeiture ⁵	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information
	Corruption ⁶	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information
	International cooperation in criminal matters ⁷	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information

¹ 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).

² 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.

³ General crime laws relate to offences such as fraud, conspiracy, possession of weapons, and other matters as set out in the national criminal code.

⁴ Article 2, paragraph (h) of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime defines a predicate offence as an offence whose proceeds may become the subject of any of the money-laundering offences established under the Convention.

⁵ 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.

⁶ 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.

⁷ 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.

	Organized crime ¹	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information
	Specialized investigation techniques ²	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No information
If 'Yes' to any of the above, please explain how each is used for CITES offences? Please provide a brief summary, including any lessons learned which might be helpful for other Parties:					
3.4.1g (previously 1.7.3g)	Does your country have institutional capacity to implement the legislative provisions listed in the question above against CITES offences?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>		
If 'No', please provide a brief summary of your major capacity-building needs:					

Objective 3.5 Parties work collaboratively across range, transit and destination states, to address entire illegal trade chains, including through strategies to reduce both the supply of and demand for illegal products, in order for trade to be legal and sustainable.

[SDG Goals 15 & 17](#)

[GBF Targets 5, 16, 20 & 21](#)

Indicator 3.5.1: Number of seizures made through Parties collaboration across range, transit and destination States, to address entire illegal trade chains.

3.5.1	Have authorities in your country made seizures through Parties collaboration across range, transit and destination States, to address entire illegal trade chains?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please indicate the number of seizures made:							

¹ 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.

² 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.

Objective 3.6 Parties take measures to prohibit, prevent, detect and sanction corruption.
[SDG Goal 16](#)

Indicator 3.6.1: Number of Parties reporting in implementation reports of activities taken to address corruption.

3.6.1	Has your country undertaken activities to address corruption, in particular with regard to national agencies responsible for wildlife law enforcement and protected areas management? If 'Yes', please elaborate on the types of activities taken: Observe the National Public Service Ethics Act	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>

Objective 3.7 Investments in building capacity of CITES are prioritized, coordinated, and their success monitored to ensure stepwise improvement through time.
[SDG Goals 15 & 17](#)
[GBF Goal D & Target 20](#)

Indicator 3.7.1: Number of capacity-building activities delivered to Parties.
(Data source: See questions for indicator 2.2.3)

Indicator 3.7.2: Number of Parties who report improvements in their implementation following targeted capacity-building efforts.

3.7.2	Can you report improvements in the implementation of CITES in your country following targeted capacity-building efforts? If 'No', please elaborate on the reasons why targeted capacity-building did not lead to improvements in your implementation:	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No capacity-building	<input type="checkbox"/>

Indicator 3.7.3: Total investments into capacity-building efforts.
(Data source: Reports from capacity-building activities)

Objective 3.8 Parties take full advantage of emerging technological developments to improve the effective implementation and enforcement of the Convention.
[SDG Goal 17](#)
[GBF Goal D & Targets 20 & 21](#)

Indicator 3.8.1: Number of CITES Parties using the CITES Checklist API.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

GOAL 4 CITES POLICY DEVELOPMENT ALSO CONTRIBUTES TO AND LEARNS FROM INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Objective 4.1 Parties support sustainable wildlife trade policies, especially those that increase the capacity of Indigenous peoples and local communities to pursue livelihoods.
[SDG Goals 8, 12, 14, 15 & 17](#)
[GBF Goals B & C & Targets 5 & 22](#)

Indicator 4.1.1: Number of CITES-listed species for which Parties have designed/implemented relevant sustainable wildlife management policies.

4.1.1	Has your country designed or implemented relevant sustainable wildlife management policies for CITES-listed species?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please indicate the names of the species:			
Taxon (scientific name)		Total number of CITES-listed species covered	

	Dolphins, Porpoises, Whales, Sharks and rays, sea turtles, sea cucumbers, corals etc.,	127
	Almost all terrestrial species of Appendix I	Over 800 species

Indicator 4.1.2: Percentage of Parties that co-developed or otherwise supported the capacity of indigenous peoples and local communities to pursue livelihoods.

4.1.2	Has your country co-developed or otherwise supported the capacity of indigenous peoples and local communities to pursue livelihoods?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>

Objective 4.2 The importance of achieving CITES' aim as a contribution to achieving the relevant Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the post-2020 global biodiversity framework, is recognized.
[SDG Goals 12, 15 & 17](#)
[GBF Targets 4 & 5](#)

Indicator 4.2.1: Number of Parties incorporating CITES into their National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP), also included in the global and national Strategies for Plant Conservation under CBD programme.

4.2.1a (previously 3.4.2a)	Has CITES been incorporated into your country's National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP) or any revision of the NBSAP?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
4.2.1b (previously 3.4.2b)	Has your country been able to obtain funds from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) or other sources to support CITES aspects of NBSAP implementation?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>

Objective 4.3 Awareness of the role, purpose and achievements of CITES is increased globally.
[SDG Goals 12 & 17](#)
[GBF Targets 4, 5 & 21](#)

Indicator 4.3.1: Number of new, unique visits to the CITES website.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat – number of site visits to the CITES website)

Indicator 4.3.2: Number of Parties with information on CITES and its requirements on their official websites.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat – number of Management Authorities with a website)

Indicator 4.3.3: Number of followers on CITES social media platforms.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat – number of followers of CITES and WWD on social media, i.e., Instagram, LinkedIn, Facebook, Youtube, Wechat and Weibo)

Indicator 4.3.4: Number of key identified hashtags (e.g. #cites, #citescop19 #worldwildlifeday, etc.) on CITES social media.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

Indicator 4.3.5: Number of events submitted to the World Wildlife Day website.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

Objective 4.4 CITES Parties are informed of international actions for sustainable development that may have a bearing on achieving the goal of CITES.
[SDG Goal 17](#)
[GBF Target 21](#)

- Indicator 4.4.1: Number of meetings/CoP where representatives of other international bodies report on relevant activities to CITES Parties.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)
- Indicator 4.4.2: Events, documents and presentations, etc. delivered by other intergovernmental bodies and fora in meetings convened by the CITES Secretariat.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)
- Indicator 4.4.3: Number of Notifications to the Parties issued by the CITES Secretariat relating to international actions for sustainable development that may have a bearing on achieving the goal of CITES.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

GOAL 5 DELIVERY OF THE CITES STRATEGIC VISION IS IMPROVED THROUGH COLLABORATION

Objective 5.1 Parties and the Secretariat support and enhance existing cooperative partnerships in order to achieve their identified objectives.
SDG Goal 17
GBF Goal D & Target 20

Indicator 5.1.1: 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.

5.1.1 (previously 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	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please give a brief description:			

Indicator 5.1.2: 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.

5.1.2 (previously 3.3.3a)	Has funding been provided or received to facilitate CITES workshops, training or other capacity building activities to / from:	Tick if applicable	Which organizations?
	Inter-governmental organizations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAO
	Non-governmental organizations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Indicator 5.1.3: Number of cooperative actions taken under established bilateral or multilateral agreements to prevent species from being unsustainably exploited through international trade.

5.1.3 (previously 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?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please provide details: Exportation or importation of certain species or subspecies of birds and of the products thereof are controlled under each agreement between Japan and Australia, the United States of America and the Russian Federation.			

¹ 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 5.1.4: Number of times other relevant international organizations and agreements dealing with natural resources are consulted on issues relevant to species subject to unsustainable trade.

5.1.4 (previously 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)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Scientific Authority(ies)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Enforcement Authority(ies)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Indicator 5.1.5: Number of implemented cooperation agreements between the Secretariat and Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs), including the Biodiversity Liaison Group (BLG) and other biodiversity-related Conventions.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

Objective 5.2 Parties encourage the formation of new, innovative and mutually sustainable alliances between CITES and relevant international partners, where appropriate to advance CITES' objective and mainstream conservation and of sustainable use of biodiversity.
[SDG Goal 17](#)
[GBF Goal D & Target 20](#)

Indicator 5.2.1: Number of alliances between CITES and relevant international partners to advance CITES objective and mainstream conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.
(Data source: CITES Secretariat)

Objective 5.3 Cooperation between CITES and international financial mechanisms and other related institutions is enhanced in order to support activities that contribute to CITES implementation and enforcement.
[SDG Goals 15 & 17](#)
[GBF Goal D](#)

Indicator 5.3.1: Number of Parties funded by international financial mechanisms and other related institutions to develop activities that include CITES-related conservation and sustainable development elements.

5.3.1a (previously 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? If 'Yes', please provide brief details:	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No information <input type="checkbox"/>
5.3.1b (previously 3.1.1a)	During the period covered in this report, has funding for your country from international funding mechanisms and other related institutions:	Increased <input type="checkbox"/> Remained stable <input type="checkbox"/> Decreased <input type="checkbox"/>

Indicator 5.3.2: 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.

5.3.2 (previously 3.1.2a)	Has your country provided technical or financial assistance to another country or countries in relation to CITES?							Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No information <input type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please tick boxes to indicate type of assistance provided Country(ies)	Species Management ¹	Habitat Management ²	Sustainable use	Law Enforcement	Livelihoods	Other (specify)	Details (provide more information in an Appendix if necessary)			
Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center (SEAFDEC)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fisheries Agency of Japan (FAJ) has been providing financial support for two projects related to sharks, rays and eels: "Research for Enhancement of Sustainable Utilization and Management of Sharks and Rays in the Southeast Asian Region" and "Sustainable Utilization of Anguillid Eels in the Southeast Asian Region."			
FAO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAJ has been providing financial support for the FAO's project, "The Programme for supporting the sustainable use of fisheries resources in the twenty-first century Component I: Biodiversity mainstreaming for sustainable fisheries" (FAO provides advice on sustainable fisheries and the environment within the CITES context).			

¹ Use species conservation column for work directly related to species – e.g. population surveys, education programmes, conflict resolution, etc.

² 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.

CITES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	The Government of Japan contributed via the CITES Secretariat USD 55,371 for elephant research, installation of poaching monitoring equipment, and ranger training in Rwanda in 2021, USD 55,375 for elephant mortality investigation and ivory retrieval in Botswana in 2022 and USD 54,208 for the construction of a research and scientific center in Zimbabwe in 2023.
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**Questions that are not directly linked to the CITES Strategic Vision indicators
but provide useful information about the implementation of the Convention**

COOPERATION AND SYNERGIES

C1 (previously 1.6.1a)	<p>Is your country a signatory to any bilateral and/or multilateral agreements for co-management of shared species? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If 'Yes', please provide brief details, including the names of the agreements, and which other countries are involved: Japan is a member of various RFMOs(WCPFC, ICCAT, IOTC, etc.) for sharks/rays.</p> <p>Japan is a signatory to the following four agreements:</p> <p>i) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS AND BIRDS IN DANGER OF EXTINCTION AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT;</p> <p>ii) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS AND BIRDS IN DANGER OF EXTINCTION AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT;</p> <p>iii) CONVENTION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS AND BIRDS IN DANGER OF EXTINCTION, AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT; and</p> <p>iv) CONVENTION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN FOR THE PROTECTION OF MIGRATORY BIRDS AND BIRDS IN DANGER OF EXTINCTION, AND THEIR ENVIRONMENT.</p>
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C2a (previously 3.3.2a)	How many international projects which integrate CITES issues has your country contributed towards?	3	
C2b (previously 3.3.2b)	In addition to C2a, how many national level projects has your country implemented which integrate CITES issues?		
C2c (previously 3.3.2c)	Have there been any efforts at a national scale for your CITES Management or Scientific Authorities to collaborate with:	Yes	No
	Agencies for development?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Agencies for trade?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Provincial, state or territorial authorities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Local authorities or communities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Indigenous or local peoples?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Trade or other private sector associations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	NGOs?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
C2d (previously 3.3.2d)	Are CITES requirements integrated into?	Yes	No
	National and local development strategies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	National and local poverty reduction strategies?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Planning processes?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	National accounting?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

ENFORCEMENT

E1 (previously 1.7.1a)	Does your country have, is are your country engaged in, or covered by:	Yes	No	No Information
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– an international enforcement strategy and/or action plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
– formal international cooperation, such as an international enforcement network?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
– a national enforcement strategy and/or action plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
– formal national interagency cooperation, such as a national interagency enforcement committee?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes' to any of the above, please specify the level of engagement and provide additional details: Cooperation through ICPO and WCO			

E2a (previously 1.7.2a)	Does your country have a process or mechanism for reviewing your enforcement strategy(ies) and the activities taken to implement your strategy(ies)?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No, but review is under consideration	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', what do you do?		
	If 'Yes' or 'No, but review is under consideration', which tools do you find of value?		
E2b (previously 1.7.2b)	Has your country used the International Consortium on Combating Wildlife Crime (ICWC) Wildlife and Forest Crime Analytic Toolkit, or equivalent tools?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No, but toolkit use is under consideration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please provide feedback on the parts of the toolkit used and how useful the toolkit or equivalent tools have been. Please specify improvements that could be made:		
	If 'No', please provide feedback on why not or what is needed to make the toolkit or equivalent tools useful to you:		

E3a (previously 1.7.4a)	Does your country use risk assessment to target CITES enforcement effort?	Always	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Very often	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Rarely	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Never	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E3b (previously 1.7.4b)	Does your country have capacity to analyse information gathered on illegal trade in CITES-listed species?	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		No	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>
E3c (previously 1.7.4c)	Does your country use criminal intelligence ¹ to inform investigations into illegal trade in CITES-listed species?	Always	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Very often	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Sometimes	<input type="checkbox"/>
		Rarely	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Never	<input type="checkbox"/>
		No information	<input type="checkbox"/>

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.

E3d (previously 1.7.4d)	Has your country implemented any supply-side activities to address illegal trade in CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No, but activities are under development <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No information <input type="checkbox"/>
E3e (previously 1.7.4e)	Has your country implemented any demand-side activities to address illegal trade in CITES-listed species during the period covered in this report?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No, but activities are under development <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	No information <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

During the period covered in this report:		Yes	No	No Information
E4a (previously 1.7.5a)	Have any administrative measures (e.g. fines, bans, suspensions) been imposed for CITES-related offences? If 'Yes', please indicate how many and for what types of offences. If available, please attach details: 1, Violation for Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E4b (previously 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 attach details: 2, Violation for Foreign Exchange and Foreign Trade Act.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
E4c (previously 1.7.5c)	Have there been any other court actions against CITES-related offences? If 'Yes', what were the offences involved and what were the results? Please attach details:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E4d (previously 1.7.5d)	How were any confiscated specimens disposed of? – Return to country of export <input type="checkbox"/> – Public zoos or botanical gardens <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> – Designated rescue centres <input type="checkbox"/> – Approved private facilities <input type="checkbox"/> – Euthanasia <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> – Other (please specify): After confiscating specimens, dead animals and plants will be burned and disposed of appropriately so as not to be used elsewhere. Illegally traded specimens banned by Japan Customs, except for live specimens, were destroyed by the Management Authority. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have you encountered any challenges in disposing of confiscated specimens? There are very few export countries that accept to take over live specimens confiscated by the Japan Customs at the border and we have been facing challenges in these cases. The main challenge is not being able to conclude negotiations with these exporting countries to return the specimen in question due to factors such as exporting countries' not being able to bear the cost for this return of the specimen from Japan. Do you have good practice that you would like to share with other Parties? No information	Tick all that apply		

RESOURCES

<p>R1a (previously 2.2.1a)</p>	<p>Does your country have an approved service standard(s)¹ for your Management Authority(ies)?</p> <p>If 'No', please go to Question R1d.</p> <p>If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?</p> <p>If 'Yes', does your country have performance targets for these standards²?</p> <p>If 'Yes', what are your country's performance targets?</p> <p>Does your country publish your performance against service standard targets?</p> <p>If possible, please provide your country's performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:</p> <p>If your country did not meet its performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - availability of funding? - number of staff? - a shortage of skills? <p>If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills does your country need more of?</p>	<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Based on the Administrative Procedure Act, a standard number of days for certificate issuance is determined.</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>The standard term for processing application for the issuance of permits/certificates is set to one week.</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>R1b (previously 2.2.1b)</p>	<p>Does your country have an approved service standard(s)⁴⁷ for your Scientific Authority(ies)?</p> <p>If 'No', please go to Question R1d.</p> <p>If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?</p> <p>If 'Yes', does your country have performance targets for these standards⁴⁸?</p> <p>If 'Yes', what are your country's performance targets?</p> <p>If possible, please provide your country's performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:</p> <p>If your country did not meet its performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - availability of funding? - number of staff? - a shortage of skills? <p>If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills does your country need more of?</p>	<p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>No <input type="checkbox"/></p>

¹ 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.

R1c (previously 2.2.1c)	Does your country have an approved service standard(s) ⁴⁷ for your enforcement authority(ies)?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<p>If 'No', please go to Question R1d.</p> <p>If 'Yes', for which services are there standards, and what are those standards?</p> <p>If 'Yes', does your country have performance targets for these standards⁴⁸?</p> <p>If 'Yes', what are your country's performance targets?</p> <p>If possible, please provide your country's performance against service standards during the period covered in this report:</p> <p>If your country did not meet its performance targets then was this shortfall a result of:</p> <p>– availability of funding? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>– number of staff? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>– a shortage of skills? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If 'Yes' to a shortage of skills, which skills does your country need more of?</p>		
R1d (previously 2.2.1d)	Please only complete this question if your answered 'No' to the first part of question R1a, R1b, or R1c, relating to the existence of approved service standards for your authorities:		
	Does your country have sufficient of the following for your authorities to function effectively?		
		Management Authority(ies)	Scientific Authority(ies)
		Enforcement Authority(ies)	
	Funding?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Staff?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Skills?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

R2a (previously 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Development of implementation tools	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
	Purchase of technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	Other (please specify):			
R2b (previously 2.2.2b)	During the period covered in this report, was the budget for your:	Increased	Stable	Decreased
	Management Authority(ies)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Scientific Authority(ies)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Enforcement authorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
R2c (previously 2.2.2c)	Has your country been able to use international development funding assistance to increase the level of implementation of your	Yes	No	Not applicable
	Management Authority(ies)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Scientific Authority(ies)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Enforcement authorities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

R2d (previously 2.2.2d)	What is the respective level of priority for enhancing the effectiveness of CITES implementation at the national level through the following activities?				
	Activity	High	Medium	Low	Not a Priority
	Hiring of more staff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Development of implementation tools	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Purchase of new technical equipment for implementation, monitoring or enforcement	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	e-permitting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Other (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
R2e (previously 2.2.2e)	Does your country have an operational system (e.g. electronic database) for managing		Yes	Under development	No
	Species information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Trade information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Non-detriment findings		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

R3a (previously 2.2.3a)	Does the Management Authority charge fees for:		Tick all that are applicable	
	– Administrative procedures		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Issuance of CITES documents (e.g. for import, exports, re-export, or introduction from the sea)		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Shipment clearance (e.g. for the import, export, re-export, or introduction from the sea of CITES-listed species)		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Licensing or registration of operations that produce CITES species		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Harvesting of CITES-listed species		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Use of CITES-listed species		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Assignment of quotas for CITES-listed species		<input type="checkbox"/>	
	– Other (please specify): No fee at all		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
R3b (previously 2.2.3b)	Is a fee schedule publicly available? No fee at all		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
	If 'Yes', please provide an internet link, or a copy of the schedule to the Secretariat:			

R3c (previously 2.2.3c)	Has your country used revenues from fees for the implementation of CITES or wildlife conservation? <div style="text-align: right;"> Entirely <input type="checkbox"/> Partly <input type="checkbox"/> Not at all <input type="checkbox"/> Not relevant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> </div>																					
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– Displays	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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– Telephone hotline	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
– Website(s) – if so please provide link(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Japanese		
http://www.meti.go.jp/policy/external_economy/trade_control/02_exandim/06_washington/index.html		
http://www.env.go.jp/nature/kisho/zougetorihiki.html		
English		
http://www.meti.go.jp/english/policy/external_economy/CITES/index.html		
https://www.jfa.maff.go.jp/j/sigen/cites_suisan.html		
– Other (specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Please attach copies of any items or describe examples:		

A2a (previously 3.2.2a)	How regularly do your country's 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Staff of Scientific Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Staff of enforcement authorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A2b (previously 3.2.2b)	What has been your experience with using the CITES website?				Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>
					Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
				Average	<input type="checkbox"/>	
				Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
				Very Poor	<input type="checkbox"/>	
				No information	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Any further comments on the CITES Website? (e.g. useful aspects, any difficulties encountered, which authorities find which functions/tools most useful, what is missing, etc): Species+ is an useful tool for implementation of CITES. It would be better if we were able to have access to the older versions of the appendices or resolutions.						
While updates are generally made promptly, for example, the page on the budget does not reflect the latest resolution on the budget, which is conf.19.1. In particular, information on the Secretariat budget and finances needs to be up-to-date for the work of the Parties on contributions. We would appreciate timely updates.						

General feedback

Please provide any additional comments you would like to make, including comments on this format.

Item		
Copy of full text of CITES-relevant legislation if changed	Enclosed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Web link(s)	Not available	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Previously provided	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Please list any materials annexed to the report, e.g. fee schedules, awareness raising materials, etc:		
Have any constraints to implementation of the Convention arisen in your country requiring attention or assistance?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please describe the constraint and the type of attention or assistance that is required.		
Are there examples of good practice you would like to share with other Parties?	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes' please provide details / links:		
How could this report format be improved?		

Thank you for completing the report. Please remember to include relevant attachments referred to in the report when it is submitted to the Secretariat.