UGANDA – INTERVENTION FOR GOAL C, AND D AND AICHI TARGETS 11, 12, 13, 14 AND 15

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18% of Uganda's total area is under protected areas. Uganda has prioritized restoration of degraded ecosystems in the National Development Plan and the long term Vision 2040 which will contribute to the realization of target 11 and 15. Action Plan for Protected Areas was submitted and submitted to CBD Secretariat

Targets have been set in the Vision 2040 for restoration of degraded wetlands and forests and this has been taken into account in the review and updating of NBSAP

There on-going activities to restore and maintain connectivity of protected areas through Payment for Ecosystem Services and with involvement of local communities

On target 12, there is species specific protection interventions aimed at reducing further loss of threatened species. GEF is supported and continues support projects that is helping Uganda to protect threatened species

Regarding target 13, a National Policy on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture has been develop and when finalized will help to reduce genetic erosion

Regarding Aichi target 14, restoration of degraded ecosystem is on-going using ecosystem approach and ecosystem based approach with the involvement of ILCs. There are also on-going programmes on integrated water resources management. All these interventions are aimed at protecting vital ecosystem services of wetlands and forests in the provision of water and enhancement of carbon stocks

ELEMENTS FOR CONCLUSIONS

- Support for capacity building to enhance monitoring the status and trends of ecosystems that are critical in the provision of ecosystems services related to water and carbon stocks
- Support for restoration of degraded ecosystems and Payment for Ecosystem Services that provide incentives to ILCs to conserve wetlands, community/private forests and protected areas
- 3. Support for inventory of threatened species