**Template for the review of the document on linkages between the post-2020 global biodiversity framework and the 2030agenda for sustainable development**

**TEMPLATE FOR COMMENTS**

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| 0 | Goal A | Goal 2 of SDG (Zero hunger) may be included as relevant goal with Goal A, as the SDG Target 2.5 provides for ‘maintaining genetic diversity of wild species along with other species’.Mapping of GBF Goal-A with SDG Goals –6,13,14, 15 has been done showing linkages. Linkages between SDG-13 against Goal-A of biodiversity framework appears to be weak. In other words, there is a weak link between Goal-A, the global biodiversity framework and SDG-13 i.e., take urgent action to combat climate change. Therefore, it may not be juxtaposed with GBF Goal-A.  |
| 0 | Goal B | Linking of SDG-4 (Quality education) and SDG-9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) with Goal-B- of GBF appears to be weak therefore, it is also proposed for removal.  |
| 0 | Goal C | SDG Goal 8 (Decent work and Economic Growth) may also be added under GBF Goal-C, as access and benefit sharing mechanism(ABS) endeavors to help in economic growth of marginalized communities’ dependent on natural resources.Mapping of Goal-C of GBF with SDG 6, 7 and 11 appears to be weak, therefore, it is proposed for removal. Addition proposed:SDG 14 (Life below water) may be added under Goal C. Oceans and seas account for significant portion of biodiversity that are yet to be discovered than on the land. Under the Goal 14 of SDG, the target 14.a lays emphasis on the increase of scientific knowledge, capacity development and transfer of technology that help not only in improving ocean health but aimed to share the benefit is in conformity with the Goal C. |
| 0 | Goal D | SDG 14 (Life below water) may be added under Goal C. The outcome of the SDG indicator 14.a.1 of the target 14.a under the SDG 14 is highly relevant to the realization of this GBF Goal-D as there is a specific framework for – Increase of scientific knowledge, develop research capacity and transfer marine technology, taking into account the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission Criteria and Guidelines on the Transfer of Marine Technology, in order to improve ocean health and to enhance the contribution of marine biodiversity to the development of developing countries. |
| 4 | Target 1Additions proposed | SDG Target: 15.1 By 2020, ensure the conservation, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial and inland freshwater ecosystems and their services, in particular forests, wetlands, mountains and drylands, in line with obligations under international agreements* SDG Indicator: 15.1.1 Forest area as a proportion of total land area
* SDG Indicator: 15.1.2 Proportion of important sites for terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity that are covered by protected areas, by ecosystem type

SDG Target: 15.2 By 2020, promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests, halt deforestation, restore degraded forests and substantially increase afforestation and reforestation globally.* SDG Indicator: 15.2.1 Progress towards sustainable forest management
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| 4 | Target 2Additions proposed | SDG Target: 6.6 By 2020, protect and restore water-related ecosystems, including mountains, forests, wetlands, rivers, aquifers and lakes* SDG Indicator: 6.6.1 Change in the extent of water-related ecosystems over time

SDG Target: 11.4 Strengthen efforts to protect and safeguard the world’s cultural and natural heritage* SDG Indicator: 11.4.1 Total per capita expenditure on the preservation, protection and conservation of all cultural and natural heritage, by source of funding (public, private), type of heritage (cultural, natural) and level of government (national, regional, and local/municipal).
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| 5 | Target 3 Additions proposed | SDG Target: 15.5 Take urgent and significant action to reduce the degradation of natural habitats, halt the loss of biodiversity and, by 2020, protect and prevent the extinction of threatened species* SDG Indicator: 15.5.1 Red List Index
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| 7 | Target 7Additionsproposed | SDG Target: 2.4 By 2030, ensure sustainable food production systems and implement resilient agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, that help maintain ecosystems, that strengthen capacity for adaptation to climate change, extreme weather, drought, flooding and other disasters and that progressively improve land and soil quality* SDG Indicator: 2.4.1 Proportion of agricultural area under productive and sustainable agriculture
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| 13 | Target 13Additionsproposed | * SDG Indicator: 14.b.1 Progress by countries in the degree of application of a legal/regulatory/policy/institutional framework which recognizes and protects access rights for small-scale fisheries
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