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Draft recommendation submitted by the Chair^{**}

The Subsidiary Body on Implementation

1. *Recalls* decision 15/6 paragraph 1 (f) in which Parties decided to further develop and test the open-ended forum for voluntary country review as part of the multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting, and review;
2. *Welcomes* the further development of the online reporting tool for the submission of national targets¹ and national reports² and the functionality on the clearing-house mechanism for uploading revised or updated national biodiversity strategies and action plans;
3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to:
 - (a) Continue the development and testing of the online reporting tool;
 - (b) Continue supporting regional or subregional national biodiversity strategy and action plan dialogues in collaboration with relevant organizations and host countries, where relevant, in an inclusive and transparent manner;
 - (c) Compile views from Parties on document CBD/SBI/4/4/Add.2/Rev.1 and make the views publicly available and revise document CBD/SBI/4/4/Add.2/Rev.1;
 - (d) Provide, subject to the availability of resources, a resource manual before the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties with further guidance and explanations on the use of the national reporting template and links to potential sources of information for the preparation of the seventh and eighth national reports;

^{*} The present document is being issued without formal editing.

^{**} Note: This document includes paragraphs which were incorporated from recommendation 2 of the twenty-fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice. These paragraphs are: preambular paragraphs 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11, operative paragraphs 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 26, 28 and 29 and annex IV. A contact group was established to support the development of this CRP, the contact group considered: preambular paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, 12, operative paragraphs 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 20 and annex II and III (however, these annexes were not considered in detail).

¹ The template for the submission of national targets, as contained in annex I of decision 15/6, was adopted by the Conference of the Parties in that decision.

² The guidance and draft reporting template for the submission of the seventh and eight national reports, as contained in annex II of decision 15/6, were adopted by the Conference of the Parties in that decision. An updated template is provided in annex I of the draft decision recommended for adoption by the Conference of the Parties in the present recommendation.

(e) Prepare a summary of lessons learned and the insights gained from regional dialogues by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation at its fifth meeting;

4. *Recommends* that the Conference of the Parties, at its sixteenth meeting, adopt a decision along the following lines:

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling Articles 6, 23, and 26 of the Convention,

*Recalling also its decisions VI/25 of 19 April 2002, VIII/7 of 31 March 2006, X/4 of 29 October 2010, XII/2 of 17 October 2014 and 15/3, 15/5, 15/6 and 15/11 of 10 December 2022 concerning the findings of the five editions of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and the two editions of the *Local Biodiversity Outlook*,³*

Recalling also in decisions 15/5 and 15/6 that the enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review will be undertaken in a facilitative, non-intrusive and non-punitive manner, respecting national sovereignty and avoiding placing undue burden on Parties, in particular developing countries;

Recalling that, pursuant to paragraph 2 of decision 15/6, meetings of the Conference of the Parties will consider and provide any recommendations, as necessary, with a view to achieving the goals and targets of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,

[Noting][Emphasizing] that the implementation by Parties of the enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review will contribute to the effective implementation of the Convention, its Protocols and the Framework,

Noting with appreciation the work conducted by the Executive Secretary to further develop the online reporting tool with functionality for the submission of national targets aligned with the Framework and the submission of national reports [as well as the work on the decision tracking tool],

Underscoring the critical importance of the scientific, technical and technological inputs, including from traditional knowledge, for all the elements of the global review of progress in the implementation of the Framework,⁴

Recognizing the contributions of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, as well as the role of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in reviewing their findings [, and noting the role of the Global Environment Outlook and other major international scientific assessments in improving global biodiversity knowledge and information],

Recognizing also the role of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in providing advice on relevant scientific, technical and technological matters, including traditional knowledge, for the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework,

Welcoming the decision by the Plenary of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, at its tenth session, to undertake a fast-track methodological assessment on monitoring biodiversity and nature's contributions to people by 2026, a fast-track methodological assessment of integrated biodiversity-inclusive spatial planning and ecological connectivity by 2027, and a scoping process for a second global assessment of biodiversity and ecosystem services by 2024, with a view to producing the

³ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.

⁴ Decision 15/4, annex.

second global assessment in 2028, as part of the rolling work programme up to 2030 of the Platform,⁵

Stressing the importance of the rolling work programme up to 2030 of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services, especially with regard to the published and ongoing assessments, for the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework, and in this regard the importance of the second global assessment for the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework to be considered by the Conference of the Parties at its nineteenth meeting,

Recalling that Parties are requested to submit their seventh national reports by the deadline of 28 February 2026 and their eighth national reports by the deadline of 30 June 2029;

1. *Endorses* the revisions to the national reporting template for the seventh and eight national reports contained in annex I to the present decision;

[2. *Reiterates* the encouragement to Parties to use headline and binary indicators, as well as component, complementary and national indicators, in national reports;]

3. *Encourages* Parties to collaborate, where appropriate, with other reporting processes, including the Sustainable Development Goals and relevant multilateral environmental agreements, including by using a modular data reporting tool, such as the Data Reporting Tool, on a voluntary basis;

4. [*Adopts* the core elements for reporting by non-State actors contained in annex II to the present decision];

5. [*Recalling* the invitation, in paragraph 26 of 15/6, to [non-State] actors to, on a voluntary basis, develop and share commitments contributing to NBSAPs and to the Framework, and invites these actors to be guided by the procedures and the core elements of the template contained in annex II of the present decision,]

6. [*Recognizes* that the open-ended forum for voluntary country review provides a platform for sharing experiences and lessons learned related to the implementation of the Convention, national biodiversity strategies and action plans and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including sharing of experiences and lessons learned with respect to promoting cooperation and synergies, as appropriate, with other biodiversity-related conventions and multilateral environmental agreements;]⁶

7. [*Endorses* the modus operandi for the open-ended forum for voluntary country review provided in [document to be developed]]⁶;

8. *Decides* that the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework, conducted by the Conference of the Parties at its seventeenth [and nineteenth] meeting[s] is a process which will culminate in a decision(s) at [this][these] meeting[s], including any recommendations, as appropriate, to address challenges [and maximize opportunities] in collective progress in implementation, including on of means of implementation, in particular to developing country Parties, with a view to achieving the goals and targets of the Framework [and [any] possible future [steps][frameworks]].

9. *Decides* that the global review of collective progress in the implementation in the Framework, including the means of implementation, will be primarily based on:

(a) National reports

⁵ Decision IPBES-10/1.

⁶ The modus operandi will be further developed by the fifth meeting of the Subsidiary Body. The Subsidiary Body will review these paragraphs in this context.

- (b) A global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework;
- (c) [Information shared by major stakeholder groups on their contributions to the implementation of the Framework [as outlined in decision 15/6 paragraph 26]];
- [(d) The global analysis, described in paragraph 1(c) of decision 15/6;]
- [(e) A technical dialogue at the global level to discuss progress towards implementing the Framework]
- [(f) Outcomes from the open-ended forum for voluntary country review];

10. *Further decides* that the global review will also draw upon relevant recommendations of the Subsidiary Bodies and Working Groups⁷ [, including recommendations of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to reflect outcomes of an informal technical dialogue referred to in paragraph 25 of this decision] [and high-level discussions among Parties pursuant to of decision 15/6 para 21];

11. [[*Emphasizes*][*Decides*] that the global review should focus on assessing collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework[, with no individual Party focus or policy prescriptive guidance,] and *recalls* its decisions 15/5 and 15/6, and that the global review will be undertaken in a facilitative, non-intrusive and non-punitive manner, respecting national sovereignty and avoiding placing undue burden on Parties, in particular developing countries;]

11alt. [*Decides* that the global review should focus on assessing collective progress in the implementation of the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework with no individual Party focus or policy prescriptive guidance, recognizing different levels of development and respecting the policy space of Parties in the context of the achievement of sustainable development and poverty eradication];

12. *Decides* that the process for the global review is a Party-driven process conducted in a comprehensive, facilitative, efficient, inclusive and transparent manner, avoiding duplication of work, in all its stages, including preparation of the global report;

[12.bis [*Decides*] that in order to support effective and equitable participation of Parties, all inputs should be fully accessible, including online, [and that the in-person participation of Parties in the global review process should be supported through the provision of adequate funding, in particular for the participation and representation of developing country Parties [for all related activities]]];

13. *Decides* that the process for the global review, in particular in response to paragraphs 8-12 above, will be a Party-led process led by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation

[with support from an Advisory Committee with its terms of reference in annex III],

[with engagement of all Parties through both subsidiary bodies and a review at the Conference of the Parties and will be preceded by Party submissions and/or a peer review before respective meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the Conference of the Parties on what should be included in the draft Conference of the Party decision(s) on the global review]

[with support from the Conference of the Parties Bureau, the Chairs of the subsidiary bodies and the co-chairs of the Ad Hoc Scientific and Technical Group to ensure coherence of the global review process and communication]

⁷ This would be based on the official Subsidiary Bodies and Working Groups that have been established by the Conference of the Parties.

[noting that communication and advocacy are important for stimulating action which will address the challenges identified in the global review, *decides* to appoint envoys to improve communication and political will [at COP16][at COP17],]

[and, subject to the availability of resources, will include a focused exchange of views, information and ideas through the open-ended forum for voluntary country review process, workshops or other activities and will be facilitated by two co-chairs, who will be responsible for carrying out the focused exchange as well as the preparation of a factual synthesis report and other outputs with the assistance of the Executive Secretary and *requests* the chairs of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation and the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice to develop guiding questions for all components of the global review, including specific thematic and crosscutting questions.]

14. [Takes note of the indicative timetable for the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework, including for the preparation of the global report, contained in CBD/SBI/4/4/Add.2/Rev.1, and requests the Executive Secretary[, subject to the availability of resources,] to conduct related work on the basis of this timeline];

15. *Decides* that the global report mentioned in paragraph 9 (b) will focus primarily on assessing progress in the implementation of the Framework and containing the following elements in its structure:

(a) An introduction to the report and the Framework;

(b) A concise scientific and technical synthesis of the state of, and trends in, biodiversity;

(c) A review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework, including a target-by-target assessment of progress towards the 23 targets, the 2030 Mission and other elements of the Framework, including sections C, I, J and K;

(d) A dedicated section on the provision of means of implementation consistent with the Framework;

(f) An analysis of progress towards the goals of the Framework and the 2050 Vision;

[(g) A concise compilation of the interlinkages between other multilateral environmental agreements and the Framework and of [examples of the] contributions of those agreements towards the of the Framework, [in line with respective mandates]];

[(h) A brief compilation of successful cases and best practices in the implementation of the Framework that provide co-benefits for multiple social, economic and environmental goals;]

[(i) A conclusion [that summarizes the [key messages] [content of the global report]] [exploring options for addressing identified gaps and challenges in implementation [[, in a non-prescriptive[, non-intrusive and non-punitive] manner][, including a summary of gaps in data and knowledge and][of successful policy interventions for addressing the drivers of biodiversity loss]];]

16. *Also decides* that the three objectives of the Convention must be considered in the global report in a balanced manner, as reflected in the Framework;

[17. *Further decides* that specific challenges to the implementation of the Framework[, in particular for developing countries, least developed countries and small island developing States among them,] [for developing countries, in particular least developed countries and small island developing States] will be considered throughout the global report;]

18. *Emphasizes* that the global report should draw upon data and information provided by Parties and the best available peer-reviewed scientific, technical and technological

information, as well as traditional knowledge given access to with the free, prior, informed consent of indigenous people and local communities;

19. *Also emphasizes* the need to ensure the balance, transparency and inclusivity of the preparation of the global report in all its stages;

20. *Decides* that the following sources of information should be drawn upon when preparing the global report:

- (a) As its primary source, national reports submitted in compliance with Article 26 of the Convention and in line with decision 15/6 of 19 December 2022;
- (b) Report on the use of indicators from the monitoring framework by Parties in their national reports [cross-reference SBSTTA-26 L.10];]
- (c) The global analysis of information in national biodiversity strategies and action plans and national targets pursuant to paragraph 15 of decision 15/6;
- (d) The five editions of the *Global Biodiversity Outlook* and the two editions of the *Local Biodiversity Outlook*;
- (e) [Intergovernmentally reviewed] assessments[, reports and deliverables] of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services[], with particular attention to adopted summaries for policymakers,]] and other relevant intergovernmentally reviewed scientific assessments and reports, including those of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change[], with particular attention to adopted summaries for policymakers]], [and other major national, regional and international scientific and technical assessments, including regional and subregional assessments] [[], that have been considered by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice]];
- (f) Reports on means of implementation, reviewed by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, including those of the Global Environment Facility Council on progress in the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund and Global Biodiversity Framework Fund[, and those of other relevant organizations];
- (g) Other relevant scientific and technical peer-reviewed literature, [[as well as relevant databases, scenarios and models] [that have been reviewed by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice or the Subsidiary Body on Implementation]]]
- (h) [Reports from regional dialogues conducted under the open-ended forum on voluntary country review, where relevant, which may include an overview of experiences shared from voluntary peer reviews or voluntary country reviews];
- (i) Information on commitments by non-State actors towards the Framework,⁸ including disaggregated information on contributions from indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth [considered by the Ad Hoc Open-ended Intersessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention];
- (j) Relevant information from biodiversity-related conventions and other relevant multilateral environmental agreements, international organizations and processes, including [[[intergovernmentally reviewed]] reports submitted under related conventions and on the Sustainable Development Goals [[related to biodiversity]]];
- (k) Relevant traditional knowledge, innovations, practices and technology of indigenous peoples and local communities that are given access to with their free, prior and

⁸ Dependent on paragraph 4 and 5 of this decision.

informed consent [that have been considered by the Ad Hoc Open-ended Intersessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions];

21. *Also decides* to establish an ad hoc scientific and technical advisory group for the preparation of the global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework with a time-bound mandate until the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and terms of reference contained in annex IV to the present decision, that will provide scientific, technical and technological recommendations, including on traditional knowledge, for the preparation of the global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework on the basis of the sources noted in the preceding paragraph.

22. *Further decides* that the Ad Hoc Scientific and Technical Advisory Group for the Preparation of the Global Report on Collective Progress in the Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework will report to and support the work of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in providing scientific, technical and technological advice to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, which will guide the process for the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework;

23. *Decides* that the global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework will be made available for peer review and review by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation before its submission to the Conference of the Parties;

[24. *Requests* the Executive Secretary:

(a) To continue supporting the implementation of the guidance for national biodiversity strategies and action plans and the guidance for the seventh and eight national reports, as adopted in decision 15/6, and taking into account the final template for the seventh and eight national reports contained in annex I of the present decision;

(b) To continue facilitating the voluntary use of modular tools for data reporting, such as the Data Reporting Tool;

(c) To continue to support capacity-building and development of Parties in the use of online registration tools for both national biodiversity strategies and action plans and online progress reporting;

(d) To further develop a mechanism for tracking commitments of non-State actors using the template contained in annex II of the present decision;

(e) To support the organisation of subregional and regional dialogues to enhance implementation and sharing of experiences;

[(f) To support the Subsidiary Body on Implementation in conducting the open-ended forum for voluntary country review];

(g) To support indigenous peoples and local communities, women, and youth to share information they have developed to help inform the global review;

(h) To continue coordinating and collaborating with relevant partners in support of the implementation of the enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review;]

25. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, with the support of the Ad Hoc Scientific and Technical Advisory Group, to facilitate an informal technical dialogue among Parties, indigenous peoples and local communities, women, youth, academia, the private and financial sectors and other stakeholders and experts on the scientific, technical and technological aspects of the global report and other relevant inputs to the global review, including the sharing of best practices, challenges, gaps and ways of addressing obstacles;

26. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to provide regular updates to Parties on the preparation of the global report, including at meetings of the Subsidiary Bodies;

[27. *Invites* donors, Governments and multilateral and bilateral agencies to support the enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review, including the strengthening of national-level monitoring, in order to ensure the effective implementation of the Framework;⁹]

28. *Invites* the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services to contribute to the global review of collective progress, and in particular to the work of the Ad Hoc Scientific and Technical Advisory Group, in a manner fully respectful of its respective mandates;

[29. *Encourages* Parties, and invites other Governments and relevant organizations, including funding organizations, to support the improvement of biodiversity data and models, *inter alia*, to address data gaps and gaps in modelling methodologies related to the impacts of drivers of biodiversity loss and policy interventions on biodiversity and ecosystem services].

¹ The guidance and the template for the eighth national report can be adjusted, if necessary, building on the experiences and lessons learned in the preparation of the seventh national report.

Annex I
National reporting template

Template for the seventh and eighth national reports¹

Section I. Brief overview of the process of preparation of the report

Country name	
National authorities responsible for the preparation and submission of the report	
Contact person	
Contact details	

Please briefly describe the process undertaken for the preparation of this report (responses may include the following):

- Coordination mechanisms and methodology for data collection and validation employed (if applicable) as well as key challenges encountered
- Consultations undertaken at various levels for preparing this report, involving and engaging various stakeholders and taking into account national circumstances including through using the whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach.

Section II. Status of the revised or updated national biodiversity strategy and action plan (NBSAP) in alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

Has your country revised or updated its NBSAP in alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> In process <p>If you answered “No” or “In process”, please indicate the anticipated date of completion of the revision or updating of the NBSAP: _____</p>
Did your country involve and engage stakeholders in revising or updating its NBSAP?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If you answered “Yes”, please indicate (drop down menu): Indigenous peoples and local communities, Women, Youth, Local and Sub-national Government, Private sector, Other Stakeholders

¹ The guidance and the template for the eighth national report can be adjusted, if necessary, building on the experiences and lessons learned in the preparation of the seventh national report.

<p>Has your country's revised or updated NBSAP been adopted as a policy or a legal instrument, and/or integrated into other strategies?</p> <hr/>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> In process <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>If you answered "No", please indicate the anticipated date of adoption:</p> <hr/>
<p>If you answered "Yes" directly above, please indicate the type of policy instrument your country's revised or updated NBSAP has been adopted as.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Adopted through legislation or otherwise by parliament <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted by the Council of Ministers, the Office of the President/Prime Minister or an equivalent whole-of-government body <input type="checkbox"/> Adopted by the Ministry of the Environment or another sectoral ministry <input type="checkbox"/> Integrated into the poverty reduction strategy, sustainable development strategy, national development plan or another, related strategy or plan <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify)</p> <hr/>
<p>Please describe briefly the national biodiversity monitoring system, and how it tracks progress in the implementation of the NBSAP.</p>	

Section III. Assessment of progress towards national targets

Please use the following templates to report on progress in the implementation of your national targets and revised or updated NBSAP in alignment with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. In cases where no national target is linked with related global target(s), it is suggested that countries report directly on progress contributing towards the global target(s). [.]

<p>National target (pre-populated from the submission of national targets or from the text of the global target when a national target does not exist for that global target)</p>	
<p>Please briefly describe the main actions taken to implement this target.</p>	
<p>Please indicate the current level of progress towards this target</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> On track to achieve target <input type="checkbox"/> Progress towards target but at an insufficient rate <input type="checkbox"/> No significant progress <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Achieved</p>
<p>Please provide a summary of progress towards this target, including the main outcomes achieved</p> <p>Please provide a summary of key challenges encountered and different approaches that may be taken for further implementation</p>	

<p>Please provide data on headline indicators used for assessing progress towards this target (pre-populated from the submission of national targets)²</p> <p><i>This part can be completed for targets with a headline indicator.</i></p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Use national data set <input type="checkbox"/> Use the data available from relevant global (data sources provided) <input type="checkbox"/> No data available. Please provide the reason: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not relevant. Please describe why: _____</p> <p><i>If Parties choose to use national data sets, they are requested to submit in a tabular format including sources of data. Parties will submit data for each indicator once even if the indicator is used for multiple goals/targets.</i></p> <p><i>If Parties choose to use globally or regionally available data sets, Parties will be provided with a tabular view of the data for the indicator.</i></p> <p><i>If Parties indicate "no data available", then they are requested to briefly describe efforts under way to develop relevant indicators and data sets.</i></p> <p>Comments (optional): _____</p>
<p>Please respond to the questions for the binary indicator³</p> <p><i>This part can be completed only for targets with a binary indicator</i></p>	<p><i>The binary indicators and questions will be included based on the list adopted by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting (COP-16).</i></p> <p><i>Parties will submit data for each binary indicator only once even if used for multiple goals/targets.</i></p> <p>Comments (optional): _____</p>
<p>Please provide data on component, complementary or other national indicators used for assessing progress towards this target (optional) (pre-populated from the submission of national targets)</p>	<p><i>Parties may wish provide data and sources of information in a tabular format.</i></p> <p>Comments (optional): _____</p>
<p>Please provide examples or cases to illustrate the effectiveness of the actions taken to implement this target. Provide relevant web links or attach related materials or publications, if needed</p>	
<p>Please briefly describe how the implementation of this target relates to progress in achieving the related Sustainable Development Goals and associated targets and implementation of other related agreements (optional)</p>	

² See the online reporting tool for an example of how the submission of data has been included in the tool.

³ For the list of binary indicators, please refer to decision 16/–, adopted at the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.

Section IV. Assessment of national progress contributing towards the goals of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

Please provide an assessment of national progress and trends related to the goals of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

2050 goals	Summary of national progress contributing to the global goals	Headline/binary indicators (pre-populated from the submission of national targets)	Component, complementary or other national indicators, s (pre-populated from the submission of national targets)	Source of data for indicator(s)
Goal		<i>(Relevant indicators will be provided for selection, as described in section III above)</i>	<i>(Relevant indicators will be provided for selection, as described in section III above)</i> <i>For national indicators, countries may need to use a table to submit relevant national indicators.</i>	

Section V. Conclusions on the national implementation of the Convention and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

In the present section, Parties are encouraged to provide a summary of the national implementation of the Convention and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including the main outcomes achieved and major challenges encountered, particularly those related to capacity, technical, technological, institutional and financial gaps and constraints and support provided for implementation. Parties could refer to cross-cutting challenges affecting the implementation of the Convention and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework or specific obstacles that have hindered progress. Those challenges may include lack of adequate financial, human and technical resources; difficulties regarding inter-ministerial/inter-agency cooperation and coordination; lack of timely and reliable access to knowledge, information and data; lack of the scientific expertise needed to support project development and management; and lack of access to relevant technologies for implementation. Parties should try to avoid duplication if relevant information is covered in the sections above.

In this section, please provide a summary assessment of the implementation of the Convention and the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, including all the sections of the Framework, and the main outcomes achieved and major challenges encountered and where applicable, solved, particularly those related to capacity, technical, technological, institutional and financial gaps and constraints and support provided for implementation.

[Annex II

Reporting of commitments by non-State actors⁴

I. General principles for including commitments from non-State actors in the enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review

1. The Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework embraces a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach and its success relies on the action and cooperation of all actors of society. Non-State actors are encouraged to communicate commitments, on a voluntary basis, toward the implementation of the Framework with a particular focus on national targets and/or NBSAPs. Non-state actor contributions can have a positive effect on implementation and strengthen collaboration across all sectors of society. The submission of information on commitments from non-State actors can make a valuable contribution to the enhanced multidimensional approach to planning, monitoring, reporting and review and should be guided by the following considerations:

(a) Standardized guidelines and templates for communicating commitments of non-State actors may improve information sharing and [national reporting and] [global-level review]. Communicating non-state actor commitments should be as simple as possible, while demonstrating that they contribute to implementation of the Framework with a particular focus on national targets and/or NBSAPs;

(b) Use of established and available metrics, including relevant indicators from the Monitoring Framework and national targets and/or NBSAPs, as appropriate, is highly recommended whenever possible and such metrics may provide information which can improve the monitoring of the Framework, particularly when baselines are being established related to impacts on biodiversity and to demonstrate progress over time;

(c) In recognizing the different circumstances of non-state actors the proposed template will allow for some flexibility, while ensuring that relevant information about commitments is captured.

(d) The template recognizes that countries have different modalities to engage with non-state actors in the revision update of NBSAPs, including national targets, and to include their contributions in NBSAPs and national reports;

2. Non-state actors may communicate commitments using the standardized template to the relevant national CBD focal point or to the international portal designated by the COP⁵, or both. In the case that information is shared on the international portal, this information will be shared with the relevant national CBD focal points through an automatic email for Parties who wish to be informed of information shared on the portal.

3. Commitments to be submitted by the non-State actors using the standardized template:

(a) Will be communicated to the relevant national CBD focal point(s) with the understanding that submission of information by non-state actors using the template is not to be understood as replacing national processes or an endorsement by national Governments, and

(b) May be communicated in an international portal designated by the COP, the relevant national Government(s) will be able to review the commitment before publication on a no objection basis, where relevant.

4. Non-State actors who submitted commitments are encouraged to send reports on progress towards achieving those commitments to the CBD focal point and the platform mentioned in

⁴ Reporting is voluntary and would be open to actors beyond national Governments, including indigenous peoples and local communities and all relevant organizations and stakeholders, including the private sector. The range is broad and extends beyond strictly non-State actors.

⁵ The designated portal will be the [Sharm El-Sheikh to Kunming and Montreal Action Agenda for Nature and People][Convention's online reporting tool, but separated from the national reporting which is on that portal].

paragraph 3, on a voluntary basis and are invited, when possible, to send prior to relevant deadlines set out in Decision 15/6.

II. Core reporting elements for commitments by non-State actors

General information

5. Name of Organization or Coalition (official name of Organization responsible for a single commitment OR name of Coalition if commitment is collective).
6. Website (please provide website information for the lead organization OR coalition, if available) (optional).
7. Contact person (full name, job title and email address of person responsible for the commitment, or the submission, within the organization or coalition).
8. Address (full address of lead organization including City, State/Province/Territory and Country).
9. Geographical scope of organization or coalition (please indicate whether organization or coalition operates at the local, subnational, national, regional or multinational level and provide a list of locations whenever possible).
10. Type of organization (please indicate type of organization or coalition): (a) academic and research; (b) business/industry; (c) financial institution; (d) indigenous peoples and local communities; (e) non-governmental organization; (f) philanthropic organization; [(g) subnational or local government/authority]; (h) women's organization; (i) youth organization; (j) other (please specify). Please select all that apply.

Commitment

11. Title of commitment.
12. Description of commitment. Please provide a description of the commitment, including:
 - (a) An overview of scope and the actions proposed;
 - (b) Which direct and indirect drivers or enabling conditions of biodiversity loss the commitment will seek to address; (optional)
13. Timeline of commitment (please indicate kick-off and conclusion dates). Alternatively, please indicate if this is an open-ended commitment and share information on plans for next steps.
14. Key performance indicators or other relevant indicators of measurable success (such as percentages, figures or other quantitative pieces of information, noting links with the indicators from the monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (decision [15/5, annex I](#)) and NBSAPs and/or national targets, when applicable). (optional)
15. Endorsements (for example, in the case of a collective commitment by a coalition of organizations, has the commitment been endorsed by the chief executive officers (CEOs) and/or governing bodies of the constituent organizations including traditional authorities (optional)
16. Provide a description of any mechanism for tracking progress towards the commitment.
17. Indicate which goal(s) and target(s) of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework as well as national strategies and action plans and/or the national targets the commitment is aimed at contributing to and any relevant headline indicators:
 - (a) Primary national or global target (selection of the single most relevant target or goal) and indicator;
 - (b) Other relevant targets and/or goals (multiple targets and/or goals possible) and/or elements of the GBF (e.g. Section C) and indicator. (optional)

18. Geographical coverage of the commitment (please indicate a specific, region, country or group of countries and biome/ecosystem if relevant).
19. Expected financial contribution which is currently available and which will be used toward this commitment (optional).
20. Is the financial contribution which you currently have available sufficient for achieving the commitment? Yes/no
21. Sustainable Development Goal(s) and multilateral environmental agreements and instruments to which the commitment contributes (optional).
22. Partners (name and location of other organizations involved in the commitment)
23. Is the commitment explicitly mentioned in any national biodiversity strategy and action plan? Please indicate which country/ies (Yes/no, name of country/ies)

Progress tracking

24. Are you currently reporting or planning to report on Target 15 of the Framework? If yes, on what basis?
25. Is progress towards the commitment tracked? Yes/No If yes:
 - (a) What is the format (i.e. on a website, in a publication, etc.), frequency and public availability of tracking progress on this commitment.
 - (b) Provide a url, if available (optional);
26. Potential ways to address challenges and opportunities in achieving effective implementation of the commitment and its contribution to targets and goals of the Framework, including Section C and other decisions (e.g. Gender Plan of Actions, etc). (optional)

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[Annex III

Terms of reference of the Advisory Committee on Collective Progress in the Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

1. The Advisory Committee will be Party-led and provide strategic oversight to ensure the process for the global review is Party-led by:
 - (a) Ensuring that information flows from different regions into the global review process, ensuring that the challenges, successes and lessons learned from the regions are considered in drafting the global report and in informing the global outcomes;
 - (b) Providing guidance to the AHSTG on the policy-relevance of the global report in order to support its use in informing relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties (i.e. ensuring the global report is relevant for decision making);
 - (c) Supporting the drafting of the relevant decision(s) on the global review for consideration by the Subsidiary Body and the Conference of the Parties;
 - (d) Providing guidance to the Executive Secretary on the conducting of the global review;
 - (e) Providing advice on how to improve the uptake and communication related to the global review, including on how to engage with different stakeholders to ensure follow-up regarding the outcomes of the global report;
2. The Committee will be provided with updates on the work undertaken by the ad hoc scientific and technical advisory group to support the preparation of the global report.
3. The Committee shall be composed of 25 persons nominated by Parties ensuring equitable regional representation and gender balance and shall be led by two co-chairs. The Bureau of the Conference of the Parties will select the members of the Committee from among the nominations submitted by Parties.
4. The Chair of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation may participate, *ex officio*. The Committee will report to the Subsidiary Body on Implementation. The Co-Chairs of the Advisory Committee will provide updates to the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties on the work of the Committee on a regular basis, as needed.
5. The Committee's workplan shall be guided by the indicative timeline in document CBD/SBI/4/4/Add.2/Rev.1.

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Annex IV

Terms of reference of the Ad Hoc Scientific and Technical Advisory Group for the Preparation of the Global Report on Collective Progress in the Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework

1. The Ad Hoc Scientific and Technical Advisory Group for the Preparation of the Global Report on Collective Progress in the Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework shall support the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in the provision of scientific, technical and technological inputs for the preparation of a global report on collective progress in the implementation of the Framework by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, including means of implementation, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties at its seventeenth and nineteenth meetings, respectively.

2. The Group shall oversee and guide the process to compile, analyse and synthesize relevant scientific, technical and technological information for consideration by the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice in preparing the scientific and technical aspects of the global report on the basis of the sources listed under paragraph 18 of the present decision. Specifically, it is tasked to:

- (a) Provide advice on the scientific, technical and technological contributions to the draft report[, including on the provision of means of implementation, in particular to developing countries]
- (b) Provide advice on the use in the global report of the indicators of the monitoring framework for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework;⁶
- (c) Ensure the scientific and technical soundness of the draft global report and its associated products.

[3. The Group shall:

(a) Prepare and present to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice an outline of content and key questions that will structure the scientific and technical aspects of the global report, based on the present decision;

(b) Support the preparation of content for relevant sections of the draft global report [drawing from the sources of information listed in the present decision] [and reach out to additional contributors where needed];

[(c) Consult with the secretariat[s] of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services [and of other relevant assessment processes, partners and networks] at the various stages of preparation of the report.]

[3 bis. The Group shall also contribute to the technical dialogue referred to in the present decision.]

4. The Group shall be composed of 15 experts nominated by Parties, who may include experts from relevant academic and research institutions, with due regard to equitable regional representation and gender balance, and 10 representatives nominated by observers, including 5 from indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth groups, with due regard to equitable regional representation and gender balance. The Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, with the support of the Secretariat, shall select experts from the nominations submitted by Parties and observers, with due regard to representation of different areas of technical expertise, ensuring balance in expertise on all aspects of the goals and targets of the Framework.

5. Experts may be selected from those with, among others:

⁶ Decision 15/5, annex I.

- (a) A record of scientific, technical and technological publications or expertise related to the analysis of biodiversity status and trends, biodiversity indicators, as well as social and cultural aspects of biodiversity;
- (b) Expertise and experience in a field related to the goals and targets of the Framework;
- (c) Demonstrated knowledge of the Convention on Biological Diversity and other international scientific and technical assessment processes related to biodiversity;
- (d) Knowledge and insights on the three objectives of the Convention, including traditional knowledge, [including expertise in diverse methods and approaches for valuing nature,] such as those held by indigenous peoples and local communities, women and youth.

6. The Group will elect two co-chairs from among the selected experts, one from a developed country and one from a developing country.

7. The chairs of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, the Ad Hoc Open-ended Intersessional Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions of the Convention and a committee for the global review of collective progress in the implementation of the Framework (if established under the Subsidiary Body on Implementation) may participate, ex officio, in the meetings of the Group, when appropriate. The Group may invite other experts, as appropriate, and with due regard to equitable regional representation, including developing countries, and gender balance, to contribute their expertise and experiences on specific issues related to its terms of reference.

8. The Group shall conduct its work primarily by electronic means and, subject to the availability of resources, shall also meet in person, if possible, at least twice during the intersessional period.

9. Once established, the Group shall inform the Bureau of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice and the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties of its work and exchange relevant information with the committee for the global review under the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, if established.

10. The timeline of the Group's workplan shall be guided by the procedures developed by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation for the global review, noting that the global reports should be finalized before the seventeenth and nineteenth meetings, respectively, of the Conference of the Parties for consideration at those meetings.

11. The Group shall report on its work to the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice at meetings held before the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties.
