

Muhibullah Fazli
Wildlife and Biodiversity Expert
National Environmental Protection Agency
Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

National level

- Establishment of

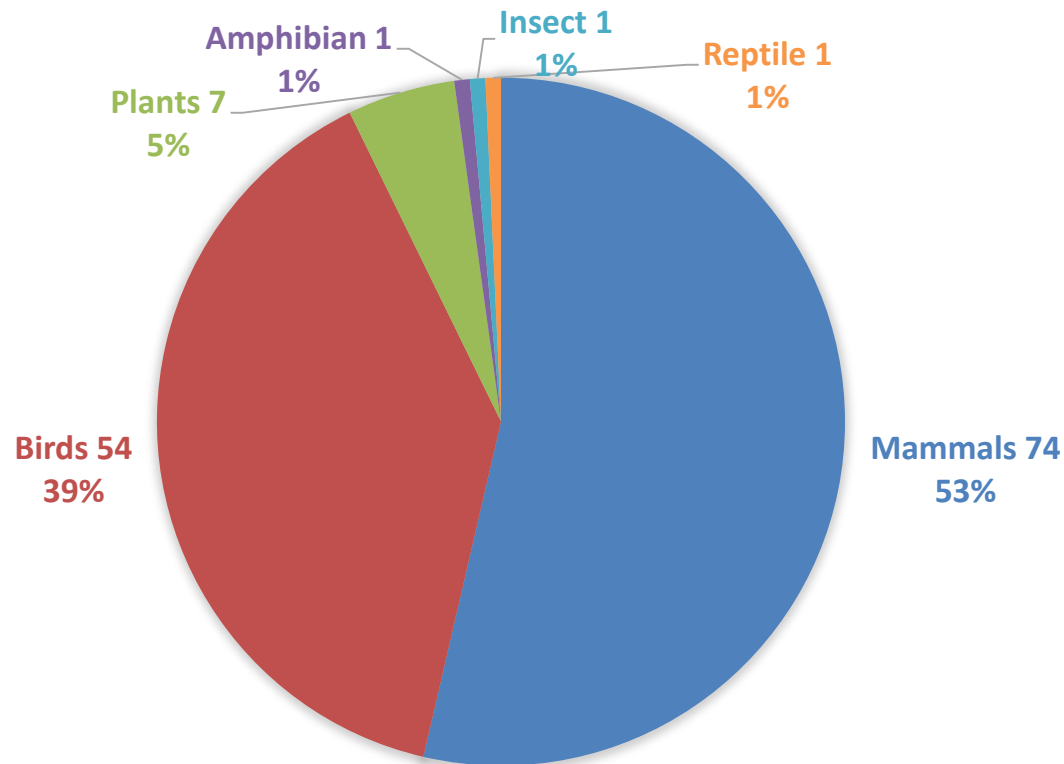
National

Environmental

Advisory Council



- Setting up Afghanistan wildlife executive committee to evaluate protected and harvestable species



Subnational Level

- Establishment of Subnational Environmental Advisory Councils



Protected area and National Park

- Declaration of
Band-e-Amir
National Park



©NHP, NEPA

Wakhan district

- Declaration the second National park



Protected areas

- Work on Shah Poladi
- Darqad wildlife reserve
- Three other provincial protected and wildlife reserve

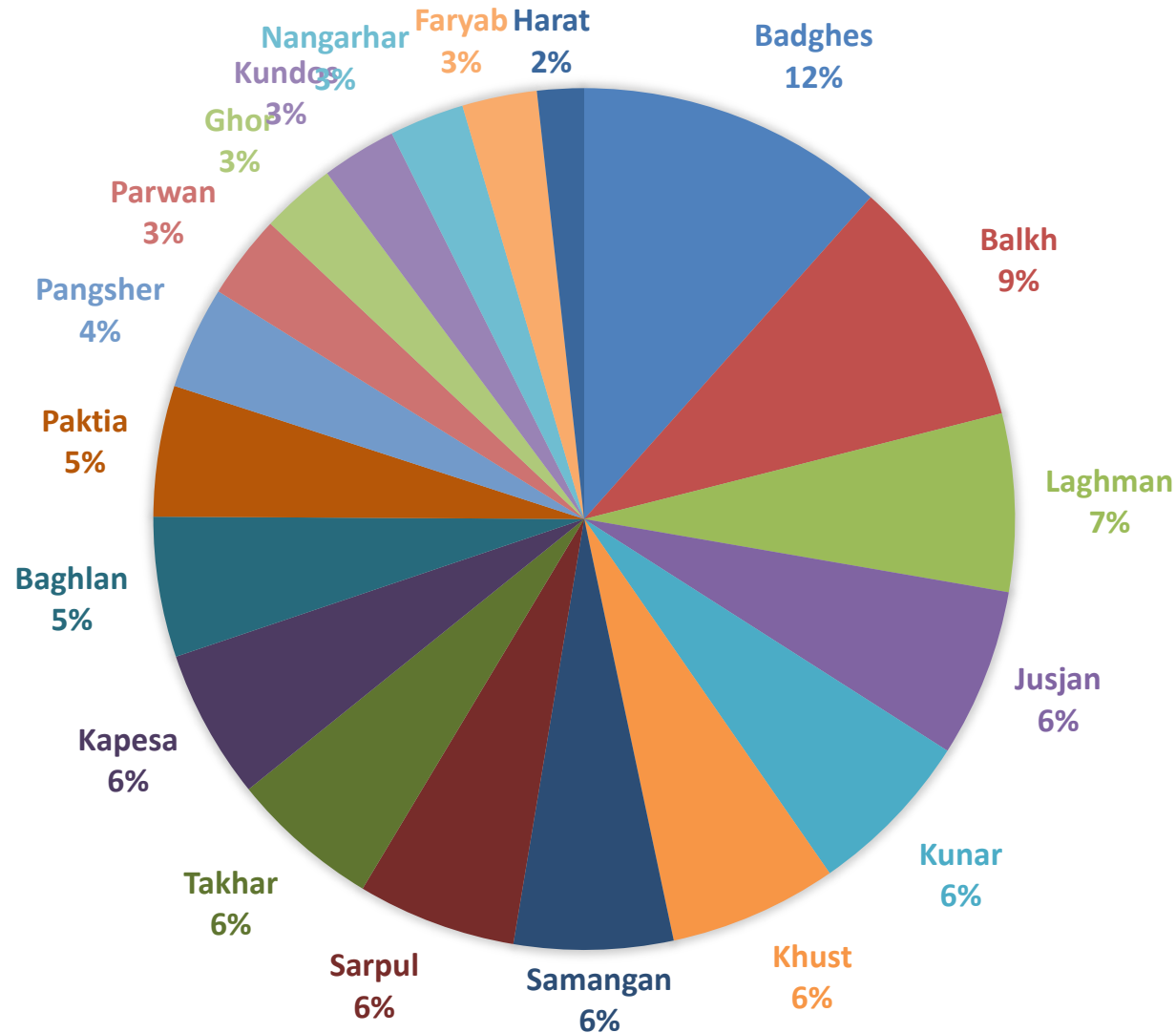


Law and regulation

- Environmental law
- Afghanistan National Development Strategy
- Environment Strategy
- Biodiversity strategy and action plan
- National Protected area system plan
- Animal Hunting regulation law (draft)
- CITES Regulation(draft)

- Assessment of endangered species and major threats
- Declaration of Afghanistan red list
- Presidential decree to ban hunting

Setup community Forestry



Training/Capacity Building

- Workshop for National Police and Police University at the center and Provincial level regarding CBD and CITES.



- Workshop for National custom academy, Kabul custom and Provincial custom regarding CBD and CITES.

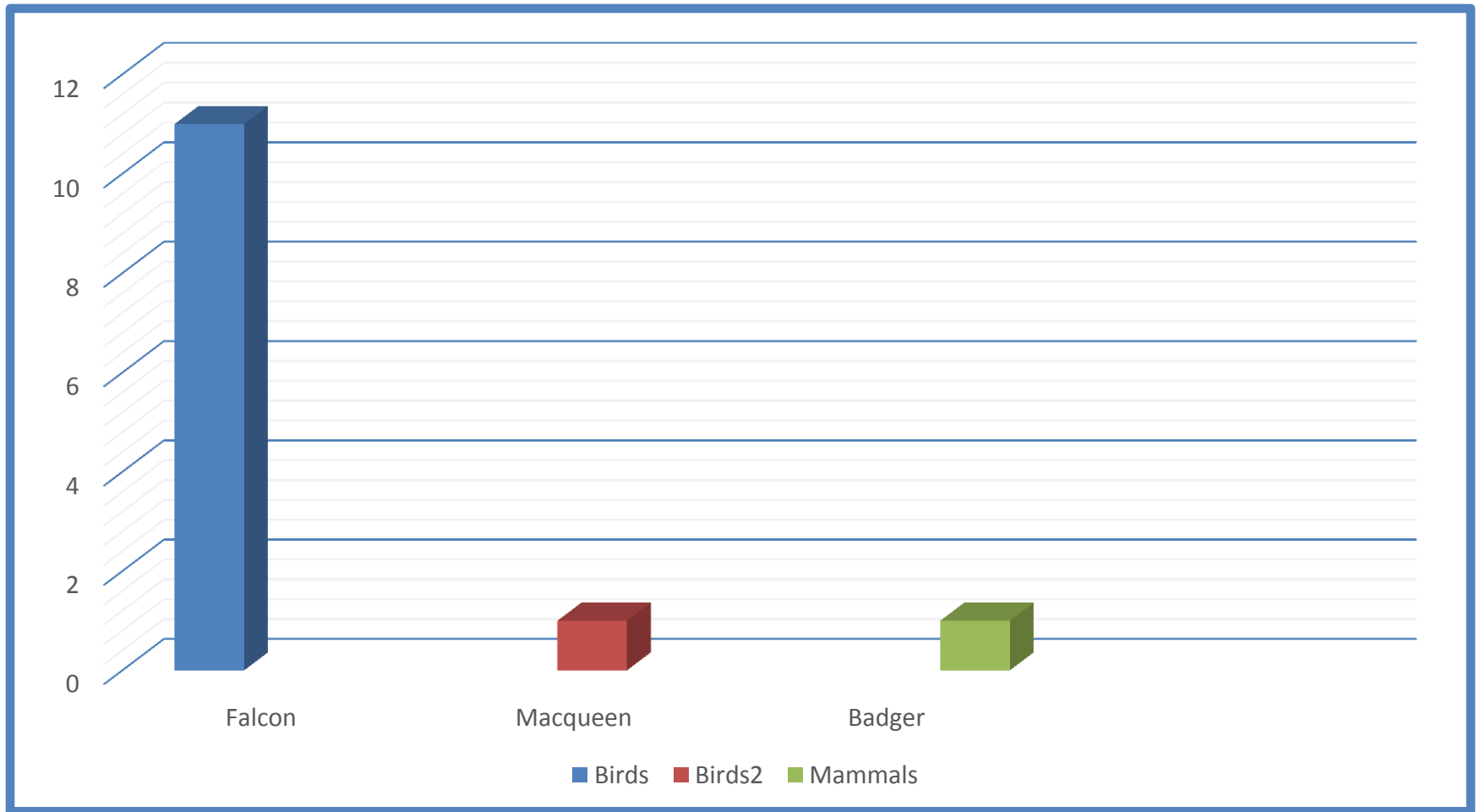


- Establishment of Environmental Executive Commission at Provinces:

1. Fish and wild animal hunting and smuggling
2. Deforestation



Illegal trade



Macqueen Bustard



Badger



Falcon



Challenges

- Conflicts over three decades (1979-2001).
- Lack of punishment regulations or law
- Poverty and low incomes of communities around rich wildlife areas
- Low literacy rates
- Accesses of local community to different weapons
- Ignorance of conservation measures
- Non-existing of trans boundary cooperation
- Lack of linkage with regional and international wildlife trade associations

Major Threats to Biodiversity

- Habitat degradation
- Deforestation
- Human disturbances, habitat loss and poisoning
- Illegal hunting and trade
- Smuggling of pelt, live animal and body parts
- Lack of licensing management
- Low capacity of custom officers

Thanks for your
kind attention

20 6 2006