

Alien species

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Please provide summary information on the process by which this report has been prepared, including information on the types of stakeholders who have been actively involved in its preparation and on material which was used as a basis for the report

This report has been prepared by the national team members who were selected from various sectors and institutions. The member were:-

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The team undertook consultation with a wide range of stakeholders including government ministries, private sectors, civil societies, NGOs and CBOs and academic institutions. Before submission of the report to the secretariat, a national stakeholders' workshop was held to discuss it and all comments from the workshop were incorporated in the report. The type of the stakeholders consulted include;

- academic and research institutions
- government ministries and institutions
- non government organisations (NGOs)
- private sectors
- youth organisations
- politicians
- relevant indigenous group
- Civil societies.

The type of materials used in the preparation of the report include:-

- the convention, CBD,
- COP Decisions
- 1st national CBD report
- national policies, legislations, strategies and plans, programme and projects
- workshop reports
- National country studies on biodiversity
- Case studies and workshop reports/proceeding.

Article 8h Alien species

1. What is the relative priority afforded to implementation of this Article and the associated decisions by your country?							
a) High	X	b) Medium		c) Low			
2. To what extent are the resources available adequate for meeting the obligations and recommendations made?							
a) Good	X	b) Adequate		c) Limiting	X	d) Severely limiting	

3. Has your country identified alien species introduced?	
a) no	
b) only major species of concern	X
c) a comprehensive system tracks introductions	
4. Has your country developed national policies for addressing issues related to alien invasive species?	
a) no	
b) yes - as part of a national biodiversity strategy (please give details below)	X
c) yes - as a separate strategy (please give details below)	
5. Has your country assessed the risks posed to ecosystems, habitats or species by the introduction of these alien species?	
a) no	
b) only some alien species of concern have been assessed	X
c) most alien species have been assessed	
6. Has your country undertaken measures to prevent the introduction of, control or eradicate those alien species which threaten ecosystems, habitats or species?	
a) no measures	
b) some measures in place	X
c) potential measures under review	
d) comprehensive measures in place	

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7. Is your country collaborating in the development of projects at national, regional, sub-regional and international levels to address the issue of alien species?	
a) little or no action	
b) discussion on potential projects under way	
c) active development of new projects	X

8. Does your national strategy and action plan address the issue of alien species?	
a) no	
b) yes - limited extent	X
c) yes - significant extent	

Case-studies

9. Has your country submitted case-studies on the prevention of introduction, control, and eradication of alien species that threaten ecosystems, habitats or species, in response to the call by the fourth meeting of SBSTTA?	
a) no - please indicate below whether this is due to a lack of available case-studies or for other reasons	X
b) yes - please give below any views you may have on the usefulness of the preparation of case-studies for developing a better biological understanding of the problem and/or better management responses.	
10. How many case-studies are available that could be used to gain a better understanding of the issues surrounding alien species in your country?	
a) none	
b) 1-2 - limited understanding	X
c) >2 - significant information available	

Transboundary issues

11. Are known alien invasive species in your country also a problem in neighbouring or biogeographically-similar countries?	
a) not known	
b) none	
c) a few - but in general alien invasive species problems are specific	
d) more than a few - in general we share common problems with other countries	X
12. Is your country collaborating in the development of policies and programmes at regional, sub-regional or international levels to harmonise measures for prevention and control of alien invasive species?	
a) little or no action	
b) discussion on potential collaboration underway	
c) development of collaborative approaches for a limited number of species	X
d) consistent approach and strategy used for all common problems	

Further comments

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