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**TEMPLATE FOR NATIONAL REPORTING ON THE NAIROBI CONVENTION
AND ITS PROTOCOLS AS PER DECISIONS CP6/1, 7&8 AND CP6/7(2)**

Convention for the Protection, Management and Development of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Eastern Africa Region

Draft template for national reporting on the Nairobi Convention

For the year 20.....

Introduction

The Convention for the Protection, Management and Development of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Eastern Africa Region, hereinafter referred to as the Nairobi Convention, is a legally binding regional agreement for the protection, management and development of the Eastern African Region. The Convention and two related protocols was adopted in 1985, and came into force in 1996. The Convention was amended in April 2010 to take into account emerging issues and trends at both global and regional levels, particularly those that have implications on the management of the coastal and marine environment. More so, the development of the LBSA Protocol to the Nairobi Convention is based on the wide recognition by the Contracting Parties that pollution from land-based sources and activities constitutes one of the major threats to the sustainability of the marine and coastal environment in the WIO region. The amended Nairobi Convention focuses on pollution from ships, pollution caused by dumping, pollution from land-based sources; pollution from sea-bed activities, airborne pollution, biodiversity protection, pollution in cases of emergency, and environmental damage from engineering activities among other things. Within the Convention, three protocols have been developed to deal with these issues: The Protocol Concerning Co-operation in Combating Marine Pollution in cases of Emergency in the Eastern African Region; the Protocol Concerning Protected Areas and Wild Fauna and Flora in the Eastern African Region; and the Protocol for the Protection of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Western Indian Ocean from Land-Based Sources and Activities (LBSA Protocol).

In accordance to Article 23 of the Nairobi Convention, the Contracting Parties are obliged to transmit information on the measures adopted to implement the Convention and its Protocols, regularly to the Secretariat. The attached questionnaire is aimed at facilitating the transmission of such information from Parties to the Secretariat. The structure of the questionnaire will equally allow for easy sharing of information on issues related to the implementation of the Convention and its Protocols as envisaged in Articles 16b¹ and d², 11³, 13⁴ and 23⁵ of the convention and related protocols.

The questionnaire is in two parts:

1. Part A requires the respondent to provide general information on the party submitting the report, such as contact details, name of the officer submitting the report and the comparative advantage of the institution submitting the report.

¹ Article 16b: to transmit to the Contracting Parties information received in accordance with articles 11, 13 and 23

² Article 16d: to consider inquiries by, and information from the Contracting Parties and to consult with them on questions relating to this Convention and Protocols;

³ Article 11: Co-operation in combating pollution in cases of emergency

⁴ Article 13: Environmental Impact Assessment

⁵ Article 23: Transmission of Information

2. Part B requires the respondent to provide information on the measures taken by the party to implement relevant provisions of the Nairobi Convention and its Protocols and on the effectiveness of such measures in meeting the objectives of the Convention and its Protocols.

You may add any additional information regarding the specific measures undertaken by your country that merit special attention. All reports should be submitted to the Nairobi Convention Secretariat no later than three months prior to the next Conference of Parties. If you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Part A

This part requests the respondent to provide general information on the party submitting the report.

Country:

Full name of the reporting institution:

Period Reported (DD/MM/YYYY): from _____ to _____

Name and Title of reporting officer:

Mailing Address:

Tel.:

Fax:

E-mail:

Webpage:

Date the report was submitted (DD/MM/YYYY):

Signature: _____

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Part B

This part requests information on the measures taken by the party to implement the provisions of the Nairobi Convention and its protocols on the effectiveness of such measures in meeting the Convention's objectives.

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| Section 1: Designated National Focal Point, Institution and Implementation Plans - Article 16 |
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1. Details of a designated National Focal Point and the alternate for the Nairobi Convention?

National Focal Point:

- Title:
- Name:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

Alternate:

- Title:
- Name
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

2. Details of a designated National Agency/Ministry/Institution or other appropriate authority which serve as a channel of communication with the Secretariat for purposes of this Convention and its Protocols (Article 16, paragraph 2)

- Name:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

3. Details of designated partner institutions which collaborate with the focal institution in the implementation of the objectives of this Convention and its Protocols

- Name:
- Address:
- Tel:

If yes, please provide the text of the national definitions and their sources e.g. legislation, policy paper or document.

Pollution from ships:

Dumping of wastes and other matter at sea:

Pollution from Land-Based Sources:

Pollution from sea-bed activities:

Discharges into the atmosphere:

8. **Has your country taken any measures necessary to prevent, reduce and combat the above mentioned sources of pollution in the Convention area?**

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please go to Annex I:

If no, briefly state why not.

Section 3: Specially Protected Areas – Article 10

9. **Has your country established coastal and marine protected areas, such as parks and reserves to protect and preserve rare or fragile ecosystems as well as rare, depleted, threatened or endangered species of wild Fauna and Flora and their habitats?**

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please go to Annex II:

If no, briefly state why not.

Section 4: Co-operation in Combating Pollution in Cases of Emergency – Article 11

10. **Has your country jointly with another country or countries developed and promoted any contingency plans for responding to incidents involving pollution or the threat thereof in the Convention area?**

Yes ()

No ()

In preparation ()

If yes, please list the contingency plans developed and the countries involved and proceed to Annex III.

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| Section 5: Environmental Impact Assessment – Article 13 |
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11. Does your country currently have any technical and other guidelines (e.g., EIAs) to assist the planning of major development projects in such a way as to prevent or minimize harmful impacts on the Convention Area?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

Other ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide brief details of the legislation, policies, guidelines and source

If no, describe why not.

If other, specify.

12. In regard to the question above, has your country developed procedures for dissemination of information to the Secretariat and, if necessary, for consultations among the Contracting Parties on projects of transboundary significance?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

Other ()

If yes or in preparation, does the public have access to the archived documents? If they do, kindly provide the link to the site?

If no, describe why not.

If other, specify

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| Section 6: Scientific and Technical Co-operation – Article 14 |
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13. Does your country have technical cooperation agreements with any other Contracting Parties, regional partners or international organizations relating to the objectives of the Convention, such as in scientific research, monitoring and exchange of information?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, please provide the names of co-operating partners with areas of cooperation covered by the agreements.

If no, describe areas in which such agreements are desired.

If other, specify.

14. Does your country cooperate with external partners in research and monitoring in areas such as mangroves, coral reefs, protected areas and pollution?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, please provide brief detail.

If no, describe why not.

If other, specify.

Annex I

Protocol for the Protection of the Marine and Coastal Environment of the Western Indian Ocean from Land-Based Sources and Activities (LBSA Protocol)
15. Does your country have a designated Focal Point for the LBSA Protocol?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes, please provide:

- Title:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

16. Is there a national definition of pollution from “Land based sources and activities” (Article 1 (xiii)) in the legislation of your country?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes, please provide the definition and its source including a list of land-based sources of pollution that are identified in your country’s legislation.

17. Are there any other priority substances and activities of LBSA pollution listed in Annex II of the LBSA Protocol that require special consideration in your country?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, please specify.

18. Has your country developed any plans, policies, programs, and measures to carry out the general terms and objectives of the LBSA Protocol?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

Other ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide brief details of the plans, policies and programmes and their sources.

If no, please describe why not.

If other, please specify.

19. Has your country developed and adopted guidelines concerning environmental impact assessments (EIAs) or has your country generated EIAs consistent with the LBS Protocol, Article 13?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes, please describe how often do you review and update those guidelines

If in preparation, please describe what is planned and the schedule for its completion.

If no, describe why not.

20. Has your country experienced any difficulties in the implementation of the LBSA protocol?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, please describe those difficulties and possible reasons for them.

Annex II

Protocol Concerning Protected Areas and Wild Fauna and Flora in the Eastern African Region**21. Does your country have an institution that deals with wild fauna and flora?**

a) Focal institution:

- Title:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

b) Specialised institution on wild fauna and flora:

- Title:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

22. List rare, depleted, threatened or endangered species of wild fauna and flora and their habitats in your country?

- a) Rare
- b) Depleted
- c) Threatened
- d) Endangered

Section 2: Migratory Species - Article 6**23. Does your country have any national policies, laws or mechanisms for management of migratory species?**

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide the details.

If no, briefly state why not.

If other, specify.

Section 3: Introduction of Alien or New Species - Article 7

24. Does your country have any national policies, laws or mechanisms which prohibit the intentional or accidental introduction of alien or new species of Wild Flora and Fauna?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide the details.

If no, briefly state why not.

If other, specify.

**Section 4: Establishment of Protected Areas and sharing of information-
Article 8,14,15,16,17,18,19**

25. Does your country have management effectiveness of protected areas pursuant to the wild fauna and flora Protocol?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide a brief detail including the source:

26. In regard to the question above, has your country made any publicity of the significance of protected areas and the protection of wild fauna and flora and the scientific knowledge which may be gained from them?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide the details.

If no, briefly state why not.

If other, specify

27. Has your country directly or with the assistance of regional or international organization carried out any training of scientific, technical or managerial personnel on selection, establishment and management of protected areas and protection of wild fauna and flora?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide the details.

If no, briefly state why not.

If other, specify

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| Section 5: Frontier Protected Areas - Article 13 |
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28. Does your country currently have any intentions to establish a protected area contiguous to the frontier or to the limits of the zone of national jurisdiction of another country?

Yes ()

No ()

If yes, please provide a summary of the protected area.

Annex III

**Protocol Concerning Co-operation in Combating Marine Pollution in Cases of
Emergency in the Eastern African Region**

29. Does your country have an institution that deals with marine pollution in cases of emergency Protocol?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes, please provide the focal institution and a specialised institution:

Focal Institution

- Title:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

Specialised institution

- Title:
- Address:
- Tel:
- Fax:
- Email:
- Website:

30. Does your country currently have any national policies, laws, or plans for prevention, reduction and control of oil spill pollution?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide brief details and source.

If no, describe why not.

If other, specify.

31. Has your country established any national operational measures such as establishing national oil spill contingency plans for responding to oil spill incidents?

Yes ()

No ()

In Preparation ()

If yes or in preparation, please provide brief details and the source.

If no, briefly state why not.

