

PROJECTS REPORTING TEMPLATE FOR SAIGA-RELATED ACTIVITIES

This reporting template is designed to collate information on projects carried out by intergovernmental, international non-governmental and non-governmental organisations as well as academics and other experts working on any aspect of Saiga antelope conservation and sustainable use. Information will be compiled into a table for discussion at Saiga MOU meetings. The information will be used to: (1) monitor implementation of the [Memorandum of Understanding concerning Conservation, Restoration and Sustainable Use of the Saiga Antelope \(*Saiga spp.*\)](#) and the associated [Medium Term International Work Programme](#); (2) support exchange of information throughout the range and beyond, and assist the identification of necessary future actions; and (3) support the implementation of CITES Decisions 18.270-18.274 on Saiga antelope (*Saiga spp.*).

Please complete sections as appropriate and **return to the CMS Secretariat**.

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| Project: | | | | |
| Country: | China | <input type="checkbox"/> | Turkmenistan | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Kazakhstan | <input type="checkbox"/> | Uzbekistan | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Mongolia | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | International | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | Russia | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Organisation / Contact details: WWF-Mongolia | | | | |
| Duration of project: July 2019 - June 2020 | | | | |
| Location(s) of main activity: Western Mongolia, Mongolia | | | | |
| Sub-species: | <i>Saiga tatarica tatarica</i> * | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| | <i>Saiga tatarica mongolica</i> * | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Areas of work: | | | | |
| Anti-poaching | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Habitat restoration | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Population monitoring | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Protected area management | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Ecological research | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Training & capacity-building | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Education and awareness | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Law enforcement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Alternative livelihoods | <input type="checkbox"/> | Trade issues | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| Socio-economic research | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Captive breeding | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

* Note that CMS Parties have adopted Wilson, D.E. & Reeder, D.M. (2005) Mammal Species of the World. A taxonomic and geographic reference. Third edition. John Hopkins University Press, Baltimore, USA as taxonomic reference for terrestrial mammals through [Recommendation 9.4](#) where *S. t. tatarica* is referred to as *Saiga tatarica* and *S. t. mongolica* is referred to as *Saiga borealis*.

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| Range mapping | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Reintroduction/release | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Habitat research | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | |

For each box ticked, please provide brief details in the project summary box below

Project Summary:

WWF-Mongolia is working in many areas of the Mongolian saiga conservation for last 2 decades. The main highlights for this year is as follows:

- A feasibility survey for the Mongolian saiga reintroduction/relocation programme is under progress. Feasibility survey is expected to be completed by end of 2020.
- Saiga ranger Network is being maintained by WWF-Mongolia. 11 saiga rangers are regularly patrolling a saiga range twice a month to deter poachers and to monitor a population status.
- Saiga ranger Network is adopting the S.M.A.R.T. patrolling system to improve the patrolling and efficiency of the resources.
- Main water sources for the Mongolian saiga is being protected and restored by WWF-Mongolia. Currently, 4 springs are fenced and protected from livestock and human effects and water outflow is drastically increased.
- Targeted awareness campaign to promote Mongolian saiga at National level was completed in spring 2020.
- Moreover, WWF-Mongolia is cooperating closely with Ministry of Environment and Tourism of Mongolia on further establishment and extension of the protected areas solely dedicated to Mongolian saiga.
- Platform for prevention of the environmental crime is established with initiative of WWF-Mongolia in 2017 and providing a coherent and efficient Law enforcement activities among Government agencies and NGO's to tackle poaching and illegal trade of Mongolian saiga and other wildlife.

Planned Activities:

WWF-Mongolia is planning below activities

- A feasibility survey for the Mongolian saiga reintroduction/relocation programme will be completed by end of 2020.
- Project proposal for Mongolian saiga reintroduction/relocation programme, based on feasibility survey, will be submitted to potential donors.
- Mongolian saiga reintroduction/relocation programme is planned to start in 2021
- Saiga ranger Network will be maintained by WWF-Mongolia and Saiga ranger Network continue adopting the S.M.A.R.T. patrolling system.
- At least 10 main water sources for the Mongolian saiga is planned to be restored by WWF-Mongolia and its partners in upcoming year.
- Another targeted awareness campaign is planned to promote Mongolian saiga at National level with Mongolian saiga documentary.
- WWF-Mongolia is planning to lobby on further establishment and extension of the protected areas solely dedicated to Mongolian saiga.

Achievements to date:

- WWF-Mongolia is successfully involved in establishment of the Khomiin Tal National Park in May 2020. Khomiin Tal NP is a home to small population of the Mongolian saiga ranging around 30-50 individuals at least for last 4 years.
- A feasibility survey for the Mongolian saiga reintroduction/relocation programme is near completion.
- 2 project proposals for Mongolian saiga reintroduction/relocation programme was submitted to donors.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saiga ranger Network is successfully adopting the S.M.A.R.T. patrolling system in Saiga range. • 4 springs are fenced and protected from livestock and human effects and water outflow is drastically increased. • Mongolian saiga annual population monitoring showed that Mongolian saiga population gradually increasing for last 2 years at minimum from of 3000 individuals to 5070 individuals as of January 2020. • WWF-Mongolia successfully raised a 3-year funding of 150,000 euro for Mongolians saiga conservation. |
| <p>Reports / Publications / Information material:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • http://mongolia.panda.org/en/news/?uNewsID=359330 • http://mongolia.panda.org/en/?uNewsID=357172 • https://www.facebook.com/wwfmongolia/videos/244967403201919/ • https://www.facebook.com/wwfmongolia/videos/862485334169816/ • https://www.facebook.com/wwfmongolia/videos/2406135992983061/ • https://mongolia.panda.org/en/news/index.cfm?uNewsID=358248 • http://mongolia.panda.org/en/news/?uNewsID=352251 • https://mongolia.panda.org/en/news/?uNewsID=363290 |
| <p>Collaborators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Environment and Tourism of Mongolia • National University of Mongolia • WCS Mongolia • Prague Zoo • Czech University of Life Sciences Prague |
| <p>Budget available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWF-Netherlands: 100,000 euro • MAV A Foundation: 16,000 euro • WWF-Germany: approx. 10,000 euro • WWF-Poland: approx. 10,000 euro |
| <p>Current sponsors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWF-Netherlands • MAV A Foundation • WWF-Germany • WWF-Poland |
| <p>Past sponsors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prague Zoo |
| <p>Information contributed by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WWF-Mongolia |
| <p>Date report submitted: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">22/07/2020</p> |
| <p>Other:</p> |