



**SECOND MEETING OF THE AFRICAN-EURASIAN MIGRATORY LANDBIRDS  
WORKING GROUP**

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**Report for the Second Meeting of the African-Eurasian  
Migratory Landbirds Working Group**

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*II. Country or countries where action is taking place:*

Nigeria

*III. Title of initiative/project(s) being reported:*

Nigerian Conservation Foundation/Royal Society for the Protection of Birds Project on Conservation of Migratory Landbirds in Nigeria

*IV. Implementation timeframe (start/end date):*

July 2015 - July 2018

*V. Threats or information/monitoring/education/research gaps addressed by the initiative(s)*

Gaps of information and knowledge on drivers of land use practices that cause habitat change of migratory landbirds and the policy implications of these findings.

*VI. Summary of actions and achievements relevant to AEMLAP. Under this sub-title:*

*a) indicate the overall/main objective of the initiative:*

To conserve migratory landbirds and their habitats in Nigeria

*b) the achievements made so far or a set of planned deliverables and how they have benefited or are likely to benefit conservation of landbirds:*

1. A committee was established and a maiden meeting held July 23rd, 2015 with a work programme developed for a time frame of the next two years aimed at protecting migratory landbirds and their habitats.

2. A list of exemplar sites for migratory landbirds in Nigeria have been identified to be studied in order to understand drivers of land use practices that lead to habitat loss. This would inform efforts to develop pilot schemes in those locations to influence policy changes at local, state, and federal levels to benefit migratory landbirds.

- c) The main stakeholders involved in the implementation of the initiative:
  - 1. Federal Ministry of Environment
  - 2. Nigerian Conservation Foundation
  - 3. AP Leventis Ornithological Research Institute
  - 4. Leventis Foundation
  - 5. National Park Service
  - 6. Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
  
- d) The main donors involved:
  - Royal Society for the Protection Birds
  - Nigerian Conservation Foundation

***Action requested:***

- i. The Working Group is requested to take note of this document and provide comments if needed.