

Siberian Crane Memorandum of Understanding

NATIONAL REPORTS (2007-2010)

TURKMENISTAN

GENERAL INFORMATION

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION:

The purpose of completing the national report is to provide information on your country's implementation of the Siberian Crane MoU including, as far as possible, contributions of cooperating non-governmental partners. Implementation will be assessed in terms of the six objectives of the Conservation Plan (CP). The reporting template is divided into these six main objectives, and asks specific questions in relation to the activities that need to be carried out to fulfil those objectives.

Please answer all questions as fully and as accurately as possible. It may seem time-consuming, but once you have completed the first report, the next time will be much easier because you can simply revise your existing report.

Comment boxes are provided next to most of the questions to explain what information needs to be provided. Text boxes can be expanded to accommodate longer answers or to explain and provide additional information, beyond what is requested. Details of future plans are especially encouraged. Wherever possible, please try to indicate the source of information used to answer a particular question, if

a published reference is available. Remember that you are sharing information with other countries about your progress, so that it may be of benefit to them. At the same time, you may find it useful to look at other countries' reports to get ideas for Siberian Crane conservation that might be adapted to your context.

Please submit the completed report to the CMS Secretariat (cms@un.int) by email, as a Word attachment. Feel free to attach additional material (published reports, maps etc) to this template and send them separately by e-mail or by post.

OBJECTIVE I: REDUCE MORTALITY

1.1. Determine and monitor prevailing threats of all types to the Siberian Crane and its habitats

1.1.1. What are the main identified threats *in the Siberian Crane nesting and wintering grounds and along migration routes* in your country? Please use the text box to describe them in detail, including their root causes .

DIRECT THREATS

Poaching / Capture

Accidental shooting during hunting season on flyways

Poisoning (including lead poisoning)

Power lines

Potential threat during migration

DISTURBANCE (by otherwise legal activities)

Hunting

Accidental shooting during hunting season on flyways

Fishing

- Tourism

- Agriculture

- Other forms of disturbance

Disturbance for birds from large shepherd dogs at migration stopovers

HABITAT DEGRADATION

- Water diversion

- Wetlands drainage and conversion

- Oil and gas development

Habitat destruction along flyway through oil and gas exploration

- Pollutants

- Other threats (please specify and describe)

1.1.2. Describe a few “best practice” approaches for conservation and management of the Siberian Crane to minimize key threats to Siberian Cranes and their habitats in your country.

1.1.3. Has your country taken any measures to ban or modify hunting season or regulations as needed in local areas to minimize these threats to the Siberian Crane?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please describe these measures in detail.

Past activities

Annually, before start of hunting season, Ministry of Nature Protection issues Order on “About Hunting Season Opening” with attached List of Species with Ban Hunting where the Siberian Crane is included.

Future plans

Annually, before start of hunting season, Ministry of Nature Protection issues Order on “About Hunting Season Opening” with attached List of Species with Hunting Ban where the Siberian Crane is included.

1.1.4. Has any **illegal hunting/poaching/trapping of birds** been known to occur in the Siberian Crane habitats in your country?

YES NO

If yes, describe the measures being taken to deal with this problem and any difficulties encountered in this regard.

Hunting Inspection of Ministry of Nature Protection is responsible for control on illegal hunting and does its best. However capacity and human recourses are insufficient.

1.2. Strengthen and improve enforcement of legislation for crane protection

1.2.1. Does your country have legislation to prohibit hunting and trade in the Siberian Crane, their eggs, parts and products and to protect habitats important for the Siberian Crane (and other species)? YES NO

If yes, please list the relevant legislative documents. If no, please see question 1.2.3

The Siberian Crane is listed in the Red Data Book of Turkmenistan (1999). The third issue of the Red Data Book is under preparation.

List of Species with Hunting Ban, where all crane species of Turkmenistan (Siberian, Eurasian, and Demoiselle Cranes) are included.

1.2.2. Describe efforts among federal/state/provincial agencies to cooperate on law enforcement to ensure compatible application of laws across and between jurisdictions (within country or through bilateral/multilateral agreements).

1.2.3. Has your country conducted any reviews or harmonisation of local and national legislation to address any gaps or inconsistencies in relation to Siberian Crane conservation?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE (no gaps or inconsistencies exist)

If yes, please list any amendments made in legislative documents during the reporting period and future plans in this regard.

Past activities

Future plans

1.2.4. Please indicate any continuing weak points in the practical application and enforcement of existing legislation. Include recommendations on how the local and/or national legislation could be improved and better enforced to conserve the Siberian Crane and its important habitats.

OBJECTIVE II: MONITORING AND RESEARCH

2.1. Monitor and study the Siberian Crane and its habitat

2.1.1. What is the estimated number of Siberian Cranes in your country? Please include the basis (i.e. source of information) for this estimate.

Please indicate the population trend: INCREASING DECREASING STABLE

NOT APPLICABLE (no Siberian Cranes in country)

2.1.2. What kind of monitoring has been conducted in known Siberian Crane areas in your country to estimate numbers of Siberian Cranes and determine population trends?

a) Ground survey YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

b) Air survey YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

c) Counts YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

d) Questionnaire or reports from local people YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

2.1.3. What **long-term** monitoring programmes (i.e. of at least 10 years duration) have been initiated or planned for the Siberian Crane in your country?

NOT APPLICABLE

2.1.4. Which of the following methods have been used to determine new migration stopovers, wintering areas, as well as summering areas of juvenile and adult Siberian Cranes?

a) Satellite tracking YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

b) Radio tracking YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

c) Color banding YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

d) Questionnaire YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Inquiry of local people is conducted annually during monitoring of wintering Eurasian Cranes.

Future plans

Continue to conduct inquiry of local people during monitoring of wintering Eurasian Cranes.

e) Surveys YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Taken attention on possible Siberian Crane sighting during monitoring of migrating Eurasian Cranes

Future plans

**To continue monitoring of migrating and wintering Eurasian Cranes as far as possible.
To check possibility of Siberian Crane sightings in Eurasian Crane flocks.**

f) Other reports YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

g) Other methods (please specify) YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

2.1.5. Have all reported sightings of the Siberian Crane been investigated?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE (no sightings)

Past activities

Plan for immediate response to future sightings:

2.1.6. Have any studies been carried out on the population dynamics, habitat requirements, and effects of habitat changes and causes of any decline of the Siberian Crane in your country?

YES NO

If yes, please provide a list of on-going and completed studies with references if results are already published.

Past activities

Future plans

2.1.7. Give a list of any other available publications issued during the last reporting period that include baseline information from studies carried out in your country on Siberian Crane populations and their habitats.

Past activities

No any publications were issued

Future publication plans

It is planned to issue publication on result of monitoring on wintering Eurasian Cranes

2.2. Maintain and contribute to the regional databases on the Siberian Crane and its habitats

2.2.1. Does your country maintain and contribute to the regional database on the Siberian Crane and its habitats? YES NO

If yes, please provide details of contributions made to the database.

Past activities

Future plans

2.3. Promote or take into account avian influenza surveillance at important crane sites

Describe efforts taken to collaborate with, and complement activities of other agencies to strengthen sample collection for surveillance of avian influenza in migratory waterbirds at network sites and other important crane sites.

Past activities

Hunting and Fishing Regional Society of Turkmenistan conducted control shooting of waterfowls on migration routes occasionally. Samples were send in Veterinarian Service for analyses.

Future plans

Sanitary-hygienic Service along with Hunting and Fishing Society of Turkmenistan are planning selective shooting of waterfowl during migration for following analyse.

2.4. Evaluate efficacy and application of research/monitoring

2.4.1. Have research and monitoring activities, such as those described above in Section 2.1., been reviewed and evaluated for their effectiveness?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please describe the result of these reviews in detail.

2.4.2. Have any research results been applied to improve management practices and mitigation of threats to the Siberian Crane?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please describe briefly how the management practices have been improved as a consequence of research results.

OBJECTIVE III: INCREASE NUMBERS AND GENETIC DIVERSITY

3.1. Promote recovery of Siberian Crane populations

3.1.1. How many eggs were finally produced during the reporting period for release programmes?

As part of the response, given below, please describe also any problems you have encountered in trying to produce enough eggs requested for the release programme as well as recommendations for their solution and future plans.

NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

3.1.2. How many chicks were reared for release programmes using:

a) Costume (isolation rearing) technique?

Males	Females
Males	Females

b) Parent rearing technique?

c) Hand rearing technique?

d) Other techniques (please specify)?

Males	Females

NOT APPLICABLE

Please also describe problems you have encountered during the rearing of chicks for release programmes. What decisions and measures have been undertaken to solve these problems?

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3.1.3. Which of the following methods have been used to restore Siberian Crane populations:

Release costume- or/and parent-reared Siberian Cranes *on breeding grounds*, with/without captive reared Eurasian Cranes.

Release costume- or/and parent-reared Siberian Cranes *on stopovers along migration routes*, with/without captive reared Eurasian Cranes.

Release costume- or/and parent-reared Siberian Cranes *on wintering grounds*.

Other methods (please specify).

Not applicable

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3.1.4. Please describe in more detail the release activities undertaken during the reporting period, as well as the results. What problems, if any, did you encounter during the release programme implementation? What has been (or will be) attempted to resolve these problems?

NOT APPLICABLE

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3.1.5. Has monitoring of Siberian Cranes released into the wild on Eurasian Crane staging areas or reared by this species been conducted to determine their migration route and wintering area?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, which of the following methods have been or are being used for these purposes?

Satellite tracking

Past activities

Future plans

Radio tracking

Past activities

Future plans

Mortality sensors

Past activities

Future plans

Colour banding

Past activities

Future plans

Surveys

Past activities

Future plans

Other reports

Past activities

Future plans

Other methods (please specify)

Please describe briefly the results of monitoring Siberian Cranes released into the wild or reared by Eurasian Cranes. Describe the challenges, recommendations and plans for the future.

3.1.6. Have any genetic studies been conducted to manage the genetic diversity of wild and captive populations of the Siberian Crane?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please list these studies and give references if their results were published.

Past activities

Future plans

3.2. Develop safe migration routes for Siberian Cranes based on those used by Eurasian Cranes

3.2.1. Have any surveys been conducted to identify relatively safe habitats of the Eurasian Crane populations (i.e. ecologically suitable areas on the breeding grounds, along the migration route and on the wintering grounds) - for subsequent Siberian Crane (re)introduction there? Please describe results of this work.

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Regular monitoring of wintering Eurasian Cranes was conducted in two sites: Durnaly and Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit. However special researches on possibility of using these sites by Siberian Crane in reintroduction purposes were not conducted

Future plans

Continue monitoring of wintering Eurasian Cranes in two sites: Durnaly and Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit

3.2.2. If yes, what methods have been used for these purposes?

a) Ground survey

Past activities

Census of Eurasian Cranes was conducted at feeding sites during migration

Future plans

Continue of Eurasian Cranes at feeding sites during migration

b) Air survey

Past activities
Not conducted

Future plans

c) Other (please specify)

Past activities

Future plans

3.2.3. Has any research been conducted on potential Siberian Crane release sites?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please describe the research and the results in detail.

Past activities

Future plans

3.2.4. Which of the following methods have been or are being used to determine the migration routes of various populations of Eurasian Cranes wintering within the current and former range of the Siberian Crane?

a) Satellite tracking YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

b) Radio tracking YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

c) Color banding. YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

d) Questionnaire YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

e) Surveys YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Annual Eurasian Crane censuses were conducted during autumn migrations in Eastern Kopetdag foothills and in Middle Amudaria

Future plans

Conduct Eurasian Crane censuses during autumn migrations in Eastern Kopetdag foothills and in Middle Amudaria as far as possible

f) Other methods (please specify) YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

3.2.5. Which of the following methods have been or are being used to develop safe migration routes for Siberian Cranes using migration routes of Eurasian Cranes:

Placing captive-produced Siberian Crane eggs into nests of wild Eurasian Cranes

Past activities

Future plans

Release of costume- or/and parent-reared Siberian Cranes (with/without captive- reared Eurasian Cranes on the Eurasian Crane staging areas)

Past activities

Future plans

NOT APPLICABLE

OBJECTIVE IV: PROTECT AND MANAGE IMPORTANT HABITATS FOR THE SIBERIAN CRANE

4.1. Protect and manage important habitats for the Siberian Crane

4.1.1. Have any local site support groups, site management committees or stakeholder groups been established for the purpose of collaborating in the protection of Siberian Crane sites?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please list them and describe each in more detail.

4.1.2. Has your country taken any measures in collaboration with local communities to protect inadequately protected or newly identified important areas for Siberian Crane?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Durnaly Site was designated as a site of the Western/Central Asian Site Network for the Siberian Cranes and Other Waterbirds

Future plans

Nominate Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit site for inclusion to the Western/Central Asian Site Network for the Siberian Cranes and Other Waterbirds as a site of great importance for cranes

4.1.3. Have any management plans been developed for Siberian Crane sites?

YES NO IN PREPARATION

Please describe in more detail any progress made to date, including activities undertaken on the ground

Past activities

No

Future plans

According to Action Plan on Conservation and Sustainable Using of Biodiversity of Turkmenistan (2002), it is planned to establish a crane sanctuary in Durnaly Site designated in WCASN as well as to expand borders of Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit IBA proposed to WCASN (to include there adjacent areas in the south part of the site in the border with Afghanistan).

4.1.4. Have any applied research studies been conducted in the Siberian Crane sites in support of site management?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please describe how the results have been applied to site management:

Past activities

Future plans

4.1.5. Have any environmental impact assessments been conducted in relation to human development activities affecting important Siberian Crane habitats, including possible impacts of climate change?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please provide details

Past activities

Future plans

4.1.6. Are water levels monitored at Siberian Crane sites?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please provide references for monitoring plans or procedures and any results.

4.1.7. Have training and other capacity building activities been undertaken at important sites for Siberian Cranes? .

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Past activities

Future plans

4.1.8. What is being done to protect important habitats for the Siberian Crane *outside* of established protected areas?

Past activities

WCASN designated Durnaly Site and proposed Tallymerjen – Kelif-Zeyit Site are Important Bird Areas of Birdlife International

Future plans

OBJECTIVE V: INCREASE PUBLIC AWARENESS AND ECOLOGICAL EDUCATION

5.1. Share information on Siberian Crane conservation efforts through the mass media

5.1.1. Please describe measures taken in your country to publicize Siberian Crane conservation efforts.

Please list TV or radio programmes, magazines, newsletters, collections of papers, websites, etc where information about Siberian Crane conservation efforts was publicized.

MASS MEDIA:

Past activities
Article on Crane Celebration in the settlement of Gannaly (it is located in area adjacent to Durnaly site) was published in national newspaper of “Neutral Turkmenistan” from 28 March 2009.

Film “In Search of Eurasian Crane” was made by national company “Ogyzkhan’s Turkmenfilm” in 2008. Another film about Eurasian Cranes were made and shown in national TV in 2008.

Information on Crane Celebration in Durnaly Site was published in official website of the Ministry of nature Protection on 6 December 2009.

Film “Durnaly – Crane Paradise” was made in 2009 with support of SCWP. This film is about Durnaly site, designated in WCASN

Future plans
Continue to publish information about Crane Celebration in national newspaper “Neutral Turkmenistan”

5.1.2. Please describe education and information materials that your country has developed, produced and disseminated for public awareness and to support education and information programmes.

MATERIALS:

Past activities
Crane Celebrations were conducted in 2007 and 2009. Information and education materials (booklets, buttons, posters, stickers, books) provided by Crane Working Group of Eurasia with support by CMS and ICF, were shared among Crane Celebration participants.

Poster “Protect Cranes and Their Habitats” was published in Turkmen language and shared widely among local people Altyn-Asyrskiy Etrap (District).

Crane Celebration as well as meeting with local administration for handing of WCASN Certificate on Durnaly were conducted on 6 December 2009.

Future plans

Organize Crane Celebration in Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit site, which is proposed for inclusion to WCASN. Organize nomination ceremony if this site will designated as a WCASN site.

5.2. Community involvement

5.2.1. Please list education and information programmes and public events that your country has conducted for target groups of local people (especially for hunters) on protection of the Siberian Crane and its critical habitats during the reporting period. Provide details on their outputs and effectiveness.

EVENTS:

Past activities

Public awareness activity on the Eurasian Crane and its habitats conservation was conducted among students and hunters in settlements in Tejen Valey (the towns of Tejen and Sarakhs, settlement of Gannaly)

Future plans

Organize meeting with hunters of Hunting and Fishing Regional Society of Turkmenistan regarding crane conservation.

5.2.2. Which of the following target groups have been involved in education and awareness programmes described above?

- General public
- Local government
- Hunters
- Local communities
- Indigenous groups
- Tourists
- Media
- Teachers
- Students
- Schoolchildren
- Frontier-guards
- Scientists
- Businesses
- Donors
- Other (describe):

None of the above

5.2.3. Please make an objective assessment of the effectiveness of these education and information programmes and public events.

The effectiveness of education and information programme and public events can be estimated as average. It is necessary to have conversation with hunters, shepherds and other groups of local people

5.2.4. Describe other initiatives already undertaken or planned by your country to involve *local communities*, in particular, in the planning and implementation of Siberian Crane conservation programmes (eg. community-based protection areas).

Past activities
No other initiatives

Future plans

5.2.5. Describe initiatives already undertaken or planned to involve and encourage the cooperation of *government agencies*, *NGOs* and the *private sector* in Siberian Crane conservation programmes.

Past activities
Crane Celebration was supported by IBA/CA/RSPB Programme, Ministry for Nature Protection of Turkmenistan, Crane Working Group of Eurasia, International Crane Foundation

Future plans

5.2.6. Have any community learning / information centres focusing specifically on the Siberian Crane and its wetland habitats been established in your country?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please give details

Past activities

Future plans

5.3. Sustainable livelihood opportunities

5.3.1. Describe initiatives already undertaken or planned to identify and facilitate sustainable livelihoods (including income-generating activities) for local communities related to the management of Siberian Crane sites.

Past activities

Future plans

OBJECTIVE VI: ENHANCE NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

6.1. Strengthen international and national cooperation and information exchange

6.1.1. What is the national lead agency responsible in your country for coordinating Siberian Crane conservation and management policy? Please provide contact information for your country's designated administrative and technical focal points with responsibility for liaising with counterparts in other countries, the SCFC and co-operating organizations.

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6.1.2. Are the roles and responsibilities of all government agencies related to the conservation and management of Siberian Cranes and their habitats clearly defined?

YES NO

Please describe them in more detail, and indicate any need for clarification.

Ministry for Nature Protection of Turkmenistan is the main executive agency for CMS MoU implementation

6.1.3. Has your country participated in any *international* projects or/and programmes, directly with other countries, for cooperative management of Siberian Crane populations?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please list projects and/or programmes in which your country participates and provide details .

In the frame of Programme IBA/CA/Birdlife International in Turkmenistan, 50 sites were designated as Important Bird Areas, including two designated (Durnaly) and proposed (Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit), 28 wetlands (6 are located in river valleys; 9 are located in coastal zone and 15 – internal water bodies in desert). These wetlands are considered as potential migration stopovers for Eurasian Cranes and, possible, for Siberian Cranes.

6.1.4. Identify your country's priority *international* research and monitoring needs for the Siberian Crane (ie work requiring international collaboration)

Conduct monitoring on Eurasian and, as possible, Siberian Cranes at transboundary territories with Uzbekistan and Iran

6.1.5. Has your country established a national crane working group or been involved in the activities of any regional or international crane working groups?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Please provide details of past activities and future plans

Representatives of Turkmenistan are members of the Crane Working Group of Eurasia. They participate in its activity regularly: publishing articles in CWFE Newsletter, organizing of Crane Celebration and Crane Counts

6.1.6. Has your country undertaken any initiatives (through collaboration with other Range States) to standardise methods, levels of detail and frequency of data collection?

YES NO

If yes, please describe briefly what methods are proposed.

6.1.7. How often does your country share with other Range States scientific and technical information and expertise of regional interest?

REGULARLY NOT REGULARLY NEVER

Details

Information about cranes in Turkmenistan is published in CWGE proceedings and newsletters regularly.

6.1.8. How often does your country provide data on Siberian Crane sightings and monitoring of the Siberian Crane sites along the western, central and eastern flyways to the database/GIS under the UNEP/GEF Siberian Crane Wetlands Project?

REGULARLY INFREQUENTLY NEVER NOT APPLICABLE

If never or not regularly, please explain what challenges you have encountered.

6.2. Development of the Western/Central Asia Site Network for the Siberian Crane (WCASN-SC) and other waterbirds

6.2.1. Name any existing approved sites in your country already included in the WCASN-SC.

Durnaly site

6.2.2. List any sites that have been nominated for the WCASN-SC and are undergoing internal review at present.

Tallymerjen & Kelif-Zeyit site

6.2.3. List any activities that your country has undertaken in relation to the CMS Central Asian Flyway Initiative that are relevant to Siberian Crane conservation.

Details
No activity

6.3. Support Siberian Crane conservation activities through the East Asian – Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP)

6.3.1. Please describe any flyway level activities for migratory waterbirds being undertaken by your country that are associated with the Crane and Stork Working Group's goals on Siberian Cranes in East Asia.

NOT APPLICABLE

6.3.2. Has your country undertaken any activities to support the designation of additional sites of importance for Siberian Cranes in East Asia for the EAAFP migratory waterbird site network?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

Please provide details

6.4. Capacity building

6.4.1. Describe your country's needs, in terms of human resources, knowledge and facilities, in order to build capacity to strengthen Siberian Crane conservation measures.

For the wide monitoring of wetlands as potential migration stopovers for Eurasian Cranes there are limited human resources (professional ornithologists, birdwatchers, voluntaries) as well as transport

6.4.2. Describe any training provided to support the conservation of the Siberian Crane and its habitats (e.g. workshops held, training manuals produced, fellowships, etc.) at site, national and international levels. Indicate your plans for the coming year.

Past activities Not conducted

Future plans

6.5. Raise funds to support a comprehensive conservation programme supporting MoU implementation

6.5.1. Has your country submitted any comprehensive project proposals to appropriate agencies for possible funding support?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please provide details

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6.5.2. Has your country tried to solicit funds from, or seek partnerships with, other governments, major donor organisations, industry, private sector, foundations or NGOs for Siberian Crane conservation activities?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please provide details

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6.5.3. Has your country developed small-scale project proposals to submit to CMS or ICF for their consideration?

YES NO NOT APPLICABLE

If yes, please provide details of the proposals and their outcomes (positive / negative).

Project proposal was applied to ICF for the implementation of education and public awareness activity in Turkmenistan, as a Siberian Crane Range State -under UNEP/GEF Siberian Crane Wetlands Project in the frame of WCASN activity. The application received positive reply. Report on activity was submitted in ICF.

6.5.4. What funding has your country mobilised for *domestic* implementation of the Siberian Crane conservation activities related to the Siberian Crane MoU? Where possible, indicate the specific monetary values attached to these activities/programmes, as well as future plans.

Ministry of Nature Protection of Turkmenistan provided financial support in 2007-2009 for crane conservation activity, with total amount \$1,300. It covered expenses for purchase books for Turkmenistan Nature using as prizes during crane conservation action (\$300); transport rent during Crane Celebration (\$400); stationary (\$150); conference room rent (\$200); coffee-break during meeting with Administration concerning WCASN activity (\$250).