

# Objectives, Results and Actions within the Vulture MsAP Draft 1

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## ***Objective 7***

### ***Ensure availability of poison-free food for vultures***

**Indicator:** By 2027, no measurable negative impact on productivity and vulture populations due to lack of food

**Means of verification:** Breeding success and overall survival within vulture populations of all species within the range

- ***2 Results, 16 Actions***
  - Research & Monitoring – 4
  - Policy & Legislation – 2
  - Conservation Action – 2
  - Education & Awareness - 8



## ***Objective 8***

*Ensure availability of suitable habitat for vultures to nest and forage*

**Indicator:** All known breeding sites for vultures are known and appropriately protected by 2027; rangeland provide adequate foraging habitat for vultures

**Means of verification:** Breeding success and overall survival within vulture populations of all species within the range

- ***2 Results, 9 Actions***

- Research & Monitoring – 2
- Policy & Legislation – 2
- Conservation Action – 2
- Education & Awareness - 3



## ***Objective 9***

***Reduce direct persecution and disturbance of vultures caused by human activities***

**Indicator:** Incidents of direct persecution is halted and disturbance of vultures is reduced to reduce impact to acceptable levels in 2027

**Means of verification:** Effective measures in place and enforced, improved breeding success at previously affected sites

- ***2 Results, 9 Actions***

- Research & Monitoring – 0
- Policy & Legislation – 3
- Conservation Action – 3
- Education & Awareness - 4



## ***Objective 10***

*Support vulture conservation through cross-cutting actions enabling mitigation of most or all threats*

**Indicator::** Ten Endangered and Critically Endangered Old World Vultures listed on CMS Appendix I; Need for the conservation of vultures is acknowledged and reflected in legislation and policies by all Parties within the MsAP range by 2027

**Means of verification:** Legislation and policies in place and resources made available in MsAP range countries to ensure that these are enforced

- ***3 Results, 10 Actions***

- Research & Monitoring – 6
- Policy & Legislation – 2
- Conservation Action – 0
- Education & Awareness - 2



# Summary of Results & Actions

Objective	Threat	Results	R&M	P&L	E&A	Action	Total
1	Unintentional poisoning	5	9	4	5	11	29
2	NSAIDS	4	9	4	4	13	30
3	Traditional Belief-use	3	7	2	2	2	13
4	Sentinel poisoning	3	8	2	2	2	14
5	Electrocution	3	7	11	4	11	33
6	Collision – Energy Infrastructure	3	5	8	3	9	25
7	Food availability	2	4	2	2	8	16
8	Habitat availability	2	2	2	2	3	9
9	Disturbance	2	0	3	4	3	10
10	Knowledge & Awareness	3	6	2	2	0	10
	<b>Total</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>189</b>

# Action review per Objective

- **3 Groups**
  - Poisoning - Objective 1-4 (86 Actions)
  - Energy – Objectives 5, 6 (58 Actions)
  - Food, Disturbance, Habitat Loss, Improved Knowledge & Awareness – Objective 7-10 (42 Actions)
- **Review current Actions**
  - Consider action statements
  - Identify known initiatives already focused on Action
  - Geographic scope of existing initiatives
  - Gap areas where Action is required
  - Identify stakeholders for implementation.
  - List and suggest possible new Actions based on available evidence
  - Priority projects for implementation by the MsAP

# Action review per Objective

Results	Actions	Overarching Workshop				
Objective 1. Reduce the use of toxic chemicals and substances which unintentionally kills vultures	Action review	Existing initiatives	Gap areas	Engaging Gov.	Comments	
<b>Result1.1: Improved understanding and awareness of human-wildlife conflict and its impacts on vultures informing more effective mitigation approaches</b>	Conduct overall situation analysis of wildlife poisoning associated with human-wildlife conflict, with special attention to vulture mortality: state of knowledge, poisons used (actually or potentially), hotspots, knowledge gaps and best practice on reducing conflict and related poisoning <b>R&amp;M</b>					
	Identify key drivers behind human-wildlife conflict affecting vultures through socio-economic study <b>R&amp;M</b>					
	Implement awareness campaigns on (1) negative impacts on vultures and other non-target species, (2) likely ineffectiveness of poisoning as a problem animal control technique, (3) human and livestock health impact of poisoning, and (4) legal alternative options for mitigation of human-wildlife conflict. Targets: general public, pastoral and farming communities <b>E&amp;A</b>					