

Sixth meeting of the Subsidiary Body Implementation

16–19 February 2026
Rome, Italy

AGENDA ITEM 4: PLANNING, MONITORING, REPORTING AND REVIEW: UPDATE ON NATIONAL BIODIVERSITY STRATEGIES AND ACTION PLANS, NATIONAL TARGETS AND NATIONAL REPORTING

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Statement by the **International Indigenous Forum on Biodiversity (IIFB)**

The IIFB acknowledges the efforts of the Secretariat to analyse information related to the revision and updating of the National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plans (NBSAPs).

The IIFB underlines that the implementation of the Kunming–Montréal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF), including its Monitoring Framework must ensure the full and effective participation of Indigenous Peoples and local communities, as rights-holders and respecting Indigenous and traditional knowledge. Reaffirming that this must be guided by Section C, including a rights-based approach (in line with United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and Free Prior and Informed Consent), a whole-of-society approach, gender-responsiveness, intergenerational equity and the diverse values of nature.

The IIFB underscores that additional information is required to allow for meaningful assessments of implementation. We note with concern that fewer than half of NBSAPs analysed explain how Indigenous Peoples and local communities are engaged in their revision or update. While Section C is frequently referenced, there is little evidence of effective implementation. Few Parties have national targets on respecting the rights and cultures of indigenous peoples and local communities, or the protection of environmental human rights defenders.

Noting with disappointment that despite commitments made under the KMGBF, the analysis reflects that the reported involvement of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in NBSAP revision or updating has not improved compared with post COP-10 NBSAP reviews, in fact it has decreased from 26% to 25%.

The IIFB notes that there are challenges related to the [online reporting tool](#) for the submission of commitments from actors other than national governments and observes that there is a need to improve the accessibility and support actors to make use of it.

In light of the gaps and challenges mentioned above, the IIFB makes the following recommendations to the document **CBD/SBI/6/4**:

New text suggestions are in **GREEN CAPITALS**

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V. Recommendation

11. The Subsidiary Body on Implementation may wish to adopt a recommendation along the following lines:

The Subsidiary Body on Implementation,

Recalling decisions [15/6](#) of 19 December 2022 and [16/32](#) of 27 February 2025 of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity,¹

1. *Welcomes* the fact that many Parties have submitted national biodiversity strategies and action plans and national targets but notes with concern that many Parties have yet to do so;

2. *Encourages* Parties that have not yet done so to submit their national biodiversity strategies and action plans and their national targets as soon as possible;

3. *Urges* Parties to submit their seventh national reports before or by the submission deadline of 28 February 2026.

4. ENCOURAGES PARTIES TO ENSURE THE FULL AND EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES, INCLUDING WOMEN, YOUTH AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, IN MONITORING, REPORTING AND REVIEW PROCESSES, RECOGNIZING THE DIFFERENT CULTURAL, SPIRITUAL, VALUES OF NATURE AND COSMOVISIONS.

5. ENCOURAGES THE SECRETARIAT TO SUPPORT ACTORS OTHER THAN NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS IN REPORTING THEIR COMMITMENTS BY ADDRESSING TECHNICAL BARRIERS AND PROVIDING TARGETED GUIDANCE, CAPACITY-BUILDING AND SUPPORT IN LINE WITH THE WHOLE-OF-SOCIETY APPROACH.

6. ENCOURAGE PARTIES AND THE SECRETARIAT TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY-BASED MONITORING AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INCLUDING THROUGH THE LOCAL BIODIVERSITY OUTLOOKS PUBLICATION AS COMPLEMENTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

7. REQUESTS THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO RECEIVE INPUTS FROM INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES, WOMEN, YOUTH AND RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS ON THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE PREPARATION OF REVISED/UPDATED NBSAPS AND SEVENTH NATIONAL REPORTS, AND INCLUDE THESE IN THE ANALYSIS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE SUBSIDIARY BODY ON IMPLEMENTATION FOR THE BASIS OF RECOMMENDATIONS AT ITS EIGHTH MEETING.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.