Summary of progress in the implementation of the national strategy

Biodiversity for the years 2015 – 2020

A- Administrative and technical steps and actions taken:

- 1- The Iraqi government has attached great importance to the issue of biodiversity conservation through the adoption of the General Secretariat of the Council of Ministers of the biodiversity strategy under Resolution No. (298) for the year 2015.
- 2-Dr.jasm Abdul Aziz was Assigned (National Focal Point in the CBD Convention) to form technical teams in charge of the implementation of the strategy and authorized all the technical and administrative prerogatives.
- 3-Prepare a ministerial team headed by the Department of marshes and sustainable management of natural ecosystems for the implementation of the strategic steps.
- 4-Prepare the national team for the participation of all partners and stakeholders at the local level for the nomination of their representatives to join the national team for the implementation of the strategy.
- 5-In view of the financial and economic difficulties the government faces a crisis that Iraq now has to address several local and international authorities to indicate the possibility of these entities to finance the implementation of the strategy.
- 6-Start preparing a workshop for all partners and stakeholders to discuss the participatory mechanism of action for the purpose of directly implementation.

B-Requirements:

- 1-Lack of funding and the financial allocations because of the difficult economic conditions of the country and that may be a real obstacle to the implementation of the national strategy for biodiversity.
- 2-The urgent need for the development and training of the technical staff for the purpose of qualifying for the management of the strategy implementation.

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