**Example template for a National Elephant Action Plan**

# Executive Summary

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### Acronyms

### Acknowledgements

# Section 1

# Introduction

# Status of Elephants

*(Population distribution, abundance and trends with references. PIKE/MIKE data, Ivory data)*

# Threats Analysis

*Description of threats: what is the treat level, how severe, how wide spread, level of irreversibility, factors influencing the threat.*

*Table of prioritizing threat level*

***Example Threats summary – by zone***

*Threat level 1 = very low, 2 =low 3 =moderate 4 = high 5= very high*

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Threat* | *ZONE A* | *ZONE B* | *ZONE C* | *National level* |
| *HEC* | *2* | *4* | *3* | *3* |
| *Trafficking* |  |  |  |  |

***Example Threats impact***

*Threat level 1 = very low, 2 =low 3 =moderate 4 = high 5= very high*

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Threat* | *Threat level* | *Perceived level of threat* | *Impact of threat* | *Overall threat level* |
| *HEC* |  |  |  |  |
| *Trafficking* |  |  |  |  |

# National Framework for Elephant Conservation

*Laws, international agreements, Government structure.*

# Implementation strategy

*Means to verify that the NEAP is being implemented*

*Coordinator*

# Section 2:

# Vision

# Goals

# Objectives, strategies and actions

## Priority Objective 1: Reduce Illegal Killing Of Elephants And Illegal Trade In Elephant Products

**Strategy 1.1: Strengthen The Capacity Of Law Enforcement Authorities/Agencies To Combat Poaching And Illegal Trade In Ivory And Other Elephant Products.**

Actions: f*or all actions state the priority level e.g*

*Undertake a review and gap analysis of the penal code in relation to elephants and ivory (HIGH)*

*Revise the curriculum at the Judiciary college (?) and Police Academy (?) to ensure wildlife crime is effectively covered (MEDIUM)*

**Strategy 1.2: Harmonize National Policies And Laws Relevant To Conservation And Management Of African Elephants Within And Across Range States Where Possible**

Actions:

**Strategy 1.3: Strengthen The Laws Relevant To Conservation And Management Of African Elephants.**

Actions:

**Strategy 1.4: Strengthen The Enforcement Of Laws Relevant To Conservation And Management Of African Elephants.**

Actions:

## Priority Objective 2: Maintain Elephant Habitats And Restore Connectivity

**Strategy 2.1: Ensure Connectivity, Where Possible, Between Elephant Ranges Within And Among Range States.**

Actions:

**Strategy 2.2: Establish And Strengthen Bilateral And Multilateral Support For The Management Of Sites And Corridors Across Borders**.

Actions:

**Strategy 2.3: Promote Internal And Cross Border Land Use Planning Within And Among Elephant Range States.**

Actions:

**Strategy 2.4: Ensure Adequate Maintenance Of Current Elephant Habitat Within And Between Elephant Range States**

Actions:

## Priority Objective 3: Reduce Human-Elephant Conflict (HEC)

**Strategy 3.1: Apply adaptive management approaches in addressing HEC mitigation, focusing on capacity building of managers and local communities.**

Actions

**Strategy 3.2: Establish participatory processes for mitigation of HEC.**

Actions:

## Priority Objective 4: Increased Awareness on Elephant Conservation and Management of Key Stakeholders that include Policy Makers, Local Communities among other Interest Groups

**Strategy 4.1: Raise awareness among stakeholders on the conservation of the African elephant.**

Actions:

**Strategy 4.2: Use of indigenous/traditional knowledge for the conservation of the African elephant.**

Actions:

## Objective 5: Strengthened Range States Knowledge on African Elephant Management

**Strategy 5.1: Determine and monitor the status of African elephant populations and their habitat within and among elephant range States.**

Actions:

**Strategy 5.2: Develop mechanisms of acquiring and disseminating information within and among elephant range States.**

Actions:

## Objective 6: Strengthened Range States Knowledge on African Elephant Management

**Strategy 6.1: Foster cross-sectoral, cross-border, regional and continental exchanges to integrate the needs of elephant conservation and management into national priorities and agendas**

Actions:

**Strategy 6.2: Use existing political, economic and other frameworks to promote cooperation on elephant conservation and management**

Actions:

## Objective 7: Improved Local Communities’ Cooperation and Collaboration on African Elephant conservation.

**Strategy 7.1: Devise/improve and implement sustainable incentive schemes to benefit local communities.**

Actions:

## Objective 8: African Elephant Action Plan is Effectively Implemented

**Strategy 8.1: Establish a sustainable funding mechanism to implement the African Elephant Action Plan**

Actions:

**Strategy 8.2: Develop and implement monitoring indicators.**

Actions:

# Monitoring and Evaluation

# Conclusions

# References

# Annexes

# Annex: Log Frame with Priority actions

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Objective** | **Strategy** | **Action** | **Priority level** | **M+E** | **Stakeholders involved** |
| 1 | 1.1 | 1.1.1 |  |  |  |
| 1.1.2 |  |  |  |
| 1.2 | 1.2.1 |  |  |  |
| 1.2.2 |  |  |  |
| 1.2.3 |  |  |  |