



Memorandum of Understanding on the
Conservation and Management of Marine Turtles and
their Habitats of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia

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REVIEW OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING

1. Whereas the body of the Memorandum of Understanding sets out the basic principles and collective actions that guide efforts to conserve and manage the region's marine turtles and their habitats, it is the Conservation and Management Plan (CMP) that provides the detailed prescriptions that seek to accomplish the MoU's goals. The CMP has six objectives that give rise to 24 programmes of work, which in turn are constituted by 105 separate activities.

2. The four papers that fall under the ambit of this document concern: the process of national reporting; progress made towards achieving the objectives of the Conservation and Management Plan; and projects supported by CMS/IOSEA that contribute to IOSEA implementation:

- Document MT-IOSEA/SS.4/Doc. 8.1 (National Reporting) describes, in general terms, the reporting process and compliance with it; as well as enhancements made to the Online Reporting Facility.
- Document MT-IOSEA/SS.4/Doc. 8.2 (Draft Criteria for Evaluation of IOSEA National Reports) presents the objective criteria that were developed in order to evaluate responses to each of the approximately 80 questions contained in the national reports submitted by Signatory States.
- Document MT-IOSEA/SS.4/Doc. 8.3 (Review of Implementation Progress) reviews all of the national reports submitted via the Online Reporting Facility by mid-February 2006; it includes an executive summary, a detailed analysis and a keyword index for quick reference.
- Document MT-IOSEA/SS.4/Doc.8.4 (Status Reports on CMS/IOSEA-funded Projects) provides an update on progress made in the framework of a number of marine turtle conservation projects funded through the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS)/ IOSEA. Written reports may be substituted by oral updates in some instances.