



#### The Compliance Procedures under the International Treaty and the Compliance Committee



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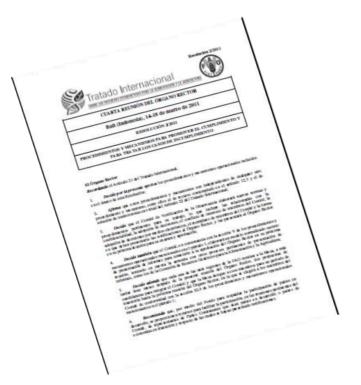




# The Compliance Procedures







- Objective: to promote compliance with all the provisions of the Treaty and to address issues of non-compliance.
- ➤ Article 21 of the Treaty
- Including: the submission national of reports from Contracting Parties (CPs).

Inputs for the Compliance Committee, other Committees and for the Governing Body:

- -What is happening with the implementation at national level?
- -What are the major difficulties that CPs are facing? Is legal assistance or specific funding needed in a certain area? -How are CPs cooperating?
- -What are the areas that would benefit from more policy attention?





### National Reports on Implementation - ITPGRFA



To facilitate the submission of reports, the Governing Body adopted:

- Standard Reporting Format (available in 6 languages);
- ➤ Online Reporting System available since February 2016





### Compliance Procedures – 1st reporting period

#### Each Contracting Party to report to the GB:

- > Measures adopted to implement the Treaty
  - ✓ 1st report: October 2016
  - ✓ Subsequent reports: every 5 years
- > Reports reviewed by the Committee (Feb 2017)
- Committee reported to the Governing Body
- > Few reports received on time
- GB7: Extension to 1st October 2018
- CC: Extension to 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019





## Res. 8/2017 of the ITPGRFA Governing Body

- Urges CPs that have not yet done so, to submit, their report no later than 1 October 2018
- Invites other CPs to update their report as needed and at least once every 5 years
- Requests the Committee to review the Standard Reporting Format, considering harmonization with the reporting to FAO in the context of the Second Global Plan of Action for PGRFA, and make recommendation for its improvement, based on suggestions from Contracting Parties and experiences in its use;





# The Compliance Committee





| REGION                             | Expiring on 31 December 2019 | Expiring on 31 December 2021 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| AFRICA                             | Mr Koffi KOMBATE             | Ms Angeline MUNZARA          |
| ASIA                               | Mr Sadar Uddin SIDDIQUI      | Mr Anil Kumar ACHARYA        |
| EUROPE                             | Ms Kim VAN SEETERS           | Ms Susanna PAAKKOLA          |
| LATIN AMERICA AND<br>THE CARIBBEAN | Ms Elizabeth SANTACREO       | Mr Mahendra PERSAND          |
| NEAR EAST                          | Mr Hodjat KHADEMI            | Ms Nasab AL RAWASHDESH       |
| NORTH AMERICA                      | Ms Indra THIND               | Ms Neha Sheth LUGO           |
| SOUTH WEST PACIFIC                 | Vacant                       | Ms Anna WILLOCK              |

<sup>\*</sup>One meeting on 31 January 1 February 2019





#### **Mandate and Functions**

- Established through Resolution 3/2006.
- Functions:
- a) Consider information submitted to it regarding matters relating to compliance and issues of noncompliance;
- b) Offer advice and/or facilitate assistance, as appropriate, to any Contracting Party, on matters relating to compliance with a view to assisting it to comply with its obligations under the International Treaty;





- c) Assist the Governing Body in its monitoring of the implementation by Contracting Parties of their obligations under the International Treaty on the basis of reports of the Contracting Parties in accordance with Section V of the Procedures;
- d) Address issues of non-compliance and identify the specific circumstances of the issue referred to it, in accordance with Sections VI to VIII of the Procedures;





- e) Promote compliance by addressing statements and questions concerning the implementation of obligations under the International Treaty, in accordance with Section IX of the Procedures;
- f) Carry out any other functions as may be assigned to it by the Governing Body pursuant to Article 21 of the International Treaty;





- g) Submit a report to each regular session of the Governing Body reflecting:
- i) the work that the Committee has undertaken;
- ii) the conclusions and recommendations of the Committee; and
- iii) the future programme of work of the Committee.







### Meetings

- Third Meeting of the Compliance
   Committee [31/01/2019 01/02/2019]
- <u>Second Meeting of the Compliance</u>
   <u>Committee</u> [21/02/2017 22/04/2017]
- First Meeting of the Compliance
   Committee [20/04/2013 22/04/2013]







# The Standard Reporting Format

### The Standard Reporting Format

 The Reporting format displays 40 questions in sections and it follows the structure and order of the articles of the International Treaty

 It allows for a binomial distribution of the replies (yes/no) and allows reporting countries to provide additional comments and remarks.

You can add links and attach files as needed

# Example: questions related to funding and cooperation

There are questions and information on bilateral and multilateral cooperation. Here a few examples:

Article 5: Conservation, Exploration, Collection, Characterisation, Evaluation and Documentation of Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

- **13.** Has your country cooperated with other Contracting Parties, through bilateral or regional channels, in the conservation, exploration, collection, characterization, evaluation or documentation of PGRFA?
  - 13A. If your answer is 'yes', please indicate the other Contracting Parties with whom the cooperation was undertaken (where additional to cooperation through the Governing Body or Treaty mechanisms) and, where possible, details of any relevant projects:

#### **Article 7: National Commitments and international Cooperation**

- 16. Has your country cooperated with other Contracting Parties, through bilateral or regional channels, in the conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA.
  - 16A. If your answer is 'yes', please indicate whether the aim of such cooperation is to
  - 16B. If, in addition to cooperation through the Governing Body or other Treaty mechanisms, your country has cooperated with other Contracting Parties directly or through FAO and other relevant international organizations, please indicate such other Contracting Parties and, where possible, **details of any relevant projects**:

#### **Article 18: Financial Resources**

- **35**. Has your country provided and/or received financial resources for the implementation of the Treaty through bilateral, regional or multilateral channels?
  - 35A. If your answer is 'yes', where possible, please provide details of such channels and the amount of the financial resources involved:
- 36. Has your country provided financial resources for national activities for the conservation and sustainable use of PGRFA?
  - 36A. If your answer is 'yes', please provide details of such national activities and the amount of the financial resources involved:

#### **Article 13: Benefit-sharing in the Multilateral System**

- 28. Has your country made any information available regarding Annex I PGRFA?
- **29**. Has your country provided or facilitated access to technologies for the conservation, characterisation, evaluation and use of Annex I PGRFA?
  - **28A**. If your answer is 'yes', please provide details of any information made available regarding Annex 1 PGRFA (e.g. catalogues and inventories, information on technologies, results of scientific and socio-economic research, including characterisation, evaluation and utilisation):
  - **29A.** If your answer is 'yes', please indicate whether your country:
  - **29B**. If access to technologies was provided, please provide details of the access provided:
- **30.** Has your country provided for and/or benefitted from capacity building measures in respect of Annex 1 PGRFA?
  - **30A**. If your answer is 'yes', please indicate whether such measures were related to:

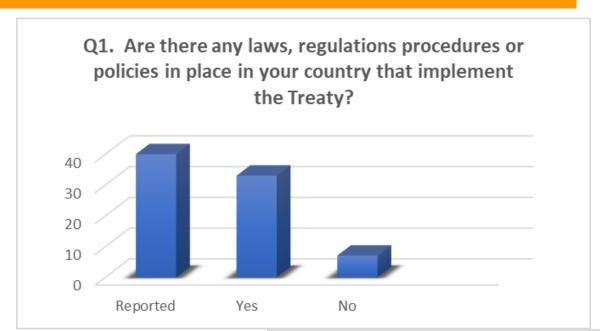
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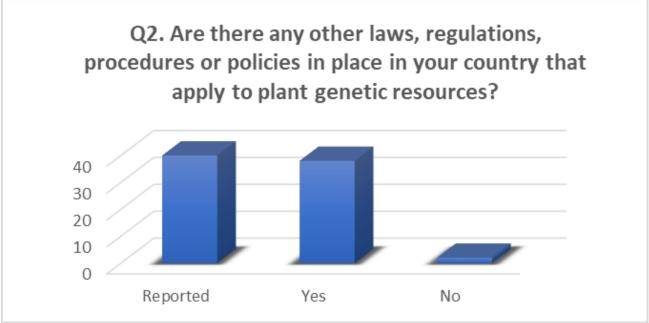
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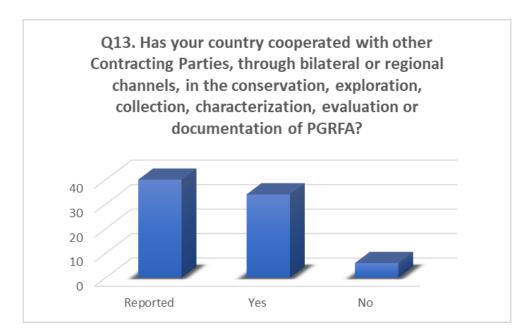
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| Australia           | en       | 1          | 1          | 1            | 0       | 1         | 1             | 0            | 1   | 1                             | 1   | 1    | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1                          |
| Bangladesh          | en       | 1          | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1         | 1             | 1            | 1   | 0                             | 0   | 1    | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1                          |
| Bhutan              | en       | 1          | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1         | 1             | 1            | 1   | 1                             | 1   | 1    | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1                          |
| Canada              | en       | 1          | 1          | 1            | 0       | 1         | 1             | 1            | 1   | 1                             | 1   | 1    | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1                          |
| Cuba                | es       | 1          | 0          | 1            | 1       | 1         | 1             | 1            | 1   | 1                             | 1   | 1    | 1          | 1            | 1       | 1                          |
| Denmark             | en       | 1          | 1          | 1            | 0       | 1         | 1             | 1            | 1   | 1                             | 1   | 1    | 1          | 1            | 11      | 11                         |

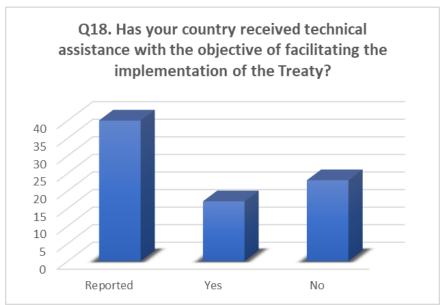
# Individual reports

|   | NAMIBIA  | NAM   | 05/12/2016 |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|---|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|   |  |   |            |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Article 4: General Obligations   |   |            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 |  | YES   | NO         |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | <ol> <li>Are there any laws, regulations procedures or<br/>policies in place in your country that implement the<br/>Treaty?</li> </ol> | YES   |            |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | laws, regulations, procedures or policies:   | Namibia National Strategic Action Plan for International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (2016).  Namibia's Second National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan 2013-2022  Access and Benefit Sharing Bill (Namibia is implementing the SMTA, MTA, Mutually Agreed Terms (MAT), Prior Informed Consent procedures (PIC)).  Seed and Seed Variety Bill (2009).  The Plant Breeders and Farmers Right Bill (2009).  National Agricultural Policy (MAWF, 1995)  National Drought Policy and Strategy (MAWF, 1997) supports sustainable land management  Green Scheme Policy (MAWF, 2008)  National Rangeland Management Policy and Strategy (MAWF, in compilation) recognizes the strong connection between productivity and stability of rangelands and biodiversity  Community forest legislation  Namibian Agricultural Marketing and Trade Policy and Strategy (2011)  Plant quarantine Act. No. 7 of 2008;  Agricultural Remedies Farm Feeds and Fertilizer Act No.36 of 1947; Environmental Act No. of 2007.  Agricultural (Commercial) Land Reform Act (1995). |            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 |  | YES   | NO         |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | 2. Are there any other laws, regulations, procedures or<br>policies in place in your country that apply to plant<br>genetic resources? | YES   |            |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | laws, regulations, procedures or policies:   | Development Forestry Policy of Namibia (2001);     National Water Policy White Paper (MAWF, 2000)     Water Supply and Sanitation Policy (MAWF, 1993 and revised in 2008)     Forestry Development Policy (MAWF, 2001)     Forest Act (2001)     Wildlife Management. Utilization and Tourism In Communal Areas Policy (MET. 1995)  |            |  |  |  |  |  |

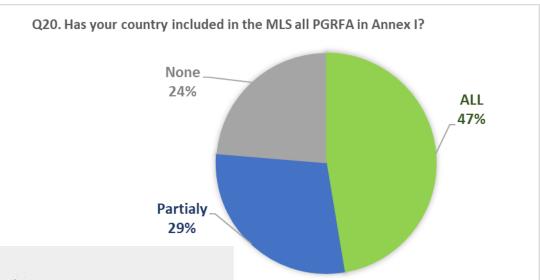


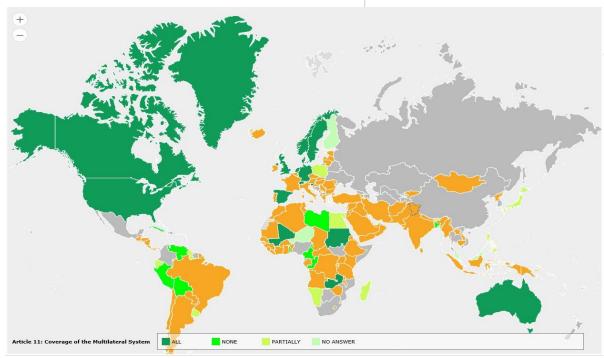






Showing, in the form of percentages, the replies to question 20 related to the notification of material in the Multilateral System by the Contracting Parties.





Map showing the geographic distribution of the replies to question 20 regarding the notification of material available in the Multilateral System.

# Recap on the reporting obligations





# Recap: How to Report under Section V of the Compliance Procedures

1- Download and review the Standard Reporting

format: <a href="http://www.fao.org/3/a-mn566e.pdf">http://www.fao.org/3/a-mn566e.pdf</a>

- 2- Fill in or get the necessary inputs from the relevant national authorities. You can see other reports received at: <a href="http://www.fao.org/plant-treaty/areas-of-work/compliance/compliance-reports/en/">http://www.fao.org/plant-treaty/areas-of-work/compliance/compliance-reports/en/</a>
- 3- Get from the Treaty Secretariat your username and password for the Online Reporting System: <a href="http://faoitpgrfa.ort-production.linode.unep-wcmc.org/">http://faoitpgrfa.ort-production.linode.unep-wcmc.org/</a>
- 4- Upload the data in the different sections and submit it through the system. There is on online <a href="help section">help section</a>. The System will generate a PDF report.
- 5- Send a message to <a href="PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org">PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org</a> attaching the Report in PDF format.

Please contact the Treaty Secretariat at <a href="PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org">PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org</a> in case you have any issues or if you need additional information.



#### The International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) Online Reporting System





#### Submission dashboard

Edit User Manage Delegates



#### First Report on Compliance of ITPGRFA

#### Introduction

Additional Reporting Information

Article 4

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Article 5

Article 6

Article 7 \*

Article 8

Article 9 \*

Article 11



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Submit questionnaire

#### Online Reporting System on Compliance of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture

Pursuant to Article 21 of the Treaty, the Governing Body approved, at its Fourth Session, the Compliance Procedures that include, among others, provisions on monitoring and reporting: <u>Resolution 2/2011, Rev 1</u>.

According to the Compliance Procedures, each Contracting Party is to submit to the Compliance Committee, through the Secretary, a report on the measures it has taken to implement its obligations under the Treaty. This Online Reporting Systems facilitates the submission of such information in electronic format.

Should you need any additional information regarding the reporting on compliance or the use of the online system, please visit the <a href="mailto:Treaty">Treaty</a>'s <a href="mailto:Website">Website</a> or contact the Secretariat at <a href="mailto:PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org">PGRFA-Treaty@fao.org</a>.

#### **Questionnaire Information**

Default Language: English

Available Languages: English, Español, Français

Year of creation: 2016

Questionnaire displayed in: English

#### **Submission Guidance**

After filling the questionnaire you can submit it by clicking this link. You will then receive an e-mail confirming the submission.

After submitting the questionnaire you will still be able to

wwww.raw.org/prant-caty





### Online Reporting System – support

- There are examples of other countries that have already reported on the Treaty Website
- There is a manual for the ORS
- The Secretariat is also available to support national focal points and concerned staff





### Recap: importance of national reports

- Treaty implementation at national level?
- Major difficulties that CPs are facing?
- Is legal assistance or specific funding needed in a certain area?
- How are CPs cooperating?
- Areas that would benefit from more policy attention?
- Information of value beyond Treaty

### Thank you