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**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
CONCERNING CONSERVATION,
RESTORATION AND SUSTAINABLE USE
OF THE SAIGA ANTELOPE**

FIFTH MEETING OF THE SIGNATORIES TO THE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING CONCERNING
CONSERVATION, RESTORATION AND SUSTAINABLE
USE OF THE SAIGA ANTELOPE

Astana, Kazakhstan, 12-14 March 2025.

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

Wednesday, 12 March 2025			
Time	Agenda Item	Document	Annotations
13:00 – 13:30	Registration	No document	
13:30 – 14:00	1. Opening of the Meeting	No document	Representative of the Forestry and Wildlife Committee of the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Kazakhstan will open the Meeting. Then, the Head of the Terrestrial Species Team at the CMS Secretariat will provide welcoming remarks. Participants and observers are asked to introduce themselves.
	2. Election of the Chair and Vice-Chair	No document	The meeting is asked to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the meeting. Expected outcome: Chair and Vice-Chair elected.
	3. Objectives and modus operandi of the meeting.	No document	The Secretariat will briefly introduce the meeting objectives and the modus operandi.
	4. Adoption of the Agenda	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.1	The meeting is asked to adopt the agenda. Expected outcome: Agenda adopted.
	5. Report of the Secretariat	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc. 2	The Secretariat will present this document followed by a Q&A session. The meeting is asked to take note of the report. Expected outcome: report is noted.
14:00 – 15:00	6. Reports on MOU Implementation	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.2 UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.3 UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.4 UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.5 UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.6	The five Signatory States are asked to provide 5-minute overviews of how they have implemented the MOU since MOS4 in 2021. Expected outcome: presentations are noted.

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15:00 – 15:30	7. Presentation and review of the Overview Report on the Implementation of the MOU and the Conservation Status of the Saiga Antelope (Overview Report')	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.3	A consultant is asked to introduce the Overview Report. Expected outcome: the Meeting Participants propose amendments to the Report, if needed.
15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break			
16:00 – 16:30	7. Review of the Overview Report (continued)	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.3	Expected outcome: the Meeting Participants propose amendments to the Report, if needed.
16:30 – 17:00	8. Sustainable Use Planning for Saiga in Kazakhstan within the Framework of International Conventions	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.7	The Government of Kazakhstan will provide an overview of their planning of sustainable use followed by a short Q&A session. Expected outcome: the information is noted.
17:00 – 18:00	9. Presentation and review of the draft Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.4	A consultant will be asked to present the structure of the Programme of Work. Then the Meeting will review and propose amendments to the draft, as necessary. Expected outcome: The Meeting Participants suggest changes to draft Work Programme.
18:00 – 18:15	Closure for the day	No document	
18:30 Dinner			

Thursday, 13 March 2025			
Time	Agenda Item	Document	Annotations
08:30 – 08:45	Recap of Day 1 and an overview of Day 2 objectives	No document	The Secretariat will provide an overview of the accomplished work of Day 1 and provide an overview of Day 2.
08:45 – 10:30	7. Final review and adoption of the Overview Report on the Implementation of the MOU and the Conservation Status of the Saiga Antelope	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.3	Expected outcome: final changes to the Overview Report are reviewed and endorsed by the Meeting.
10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break			
11:00 – 12:30	9. Review of the draft Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030 (continued)	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.4	The Meeting will continue to review and amend the draft Work Programme, as necessary.
12:30 – 13:30 Lunch break			
13:30 – 15:30	9. Review of the draft Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030 (continued)	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.4	The Meeting will continue to review and amend the draft Work Programme, as necessary.
15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break			
16:00 – 18:00	9. Review of the draft Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030 (continued)	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.4	Revision of the draft Work Programme Expected outcome: The Meeting finishes revision of the draft Work Programme.
18:00 – 18:15	Closure for the day		
18:30 Dinner			

Friday, 14 March 2025			
Time	Agenda Item	Document	Annotations
09:00 – 09:30	Recap of Day 2 and overview of Day 3 objectives	No document	The Secretariat will provide a brief summary of the discussions and an overview of Day 3 objectives.
09:30 – 11:00	9. Final review and adoption of the Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.4	Revision of the draft Work Programme (continued) Expected outcome: The Meeting finishes revision of the draft Work Programme.
11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break			
11:30 – 13:00	9. Final review and adoption of the Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Doc.4	The meeting will be asked to adopt the Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope (2025-2030).
13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break			
14:00 – 15:30	10. Implementation of the Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope 2025-2030	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.1 UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.6	Review and endorsement of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - List of focal points for the MOU - Terms of Reference for technical support organizations - Mandate for the creation of a new reporting form.
15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break			
16:00 – 17:00	11. Funding and partnership opportunities for the implementation of the Work Programme for the Saiga Antelope	No document	Funding and partnership opportunities will be presented and discussed.
17:00 – 17:45	12. Session on stockpile management of the CITES Secretariat	UNEP/CMS/Saiga/MOS5/Inf.7	The CITES Secretariat will present its guidance and best practices on stockpile management. Saiga Range States will be invited to share their practices and experiences on stockpile management of saiga horn.

Friday, 14 March 2025			
Time	Agenda Item	Document	Annotations
17:45 – 17:55	13.Next Meeting of the Signatories	No document	The Secretariat will introduce this item, inviting the Range States to express interest for hosting the next Meeting of Signatories in 2030.
17:55 – 18:10	Closure of the Meeting.		
18:30 Dinner			