

Indicator 14.2.1

Indicator Name, Target and Goal

Indicator 14.2.1 Number of countries using ecosystem-based approaches to manage marine areas

Target 14.2 By 2020, sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans

Goal 14 Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

Definition and Rationale

○ Definition

Count if a National Biodiversity Strategies and Action Plan (NBSAP) under the Convention on Biological Diversity or a similar national strategy includes ecosystem-based approaches to manage marine areas.

○ Concepts

Under the Convention on Biological Diversity, each Party is required to develop a National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP) in accordance with Article 6 of the Convention. Furthermore, Parties are expected to revise or update their NBSAPs to reflect the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF) adopted at the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP 15) in December 2022.

○ Rationale and Interpretation

Ecosystem-based approaches to manage marine areas involve a variety of methods engaging diverse stakeholders from coastal zones to offshore areas. Development and implementation of such NBSAP, which provides an integrated framework for those approaches will contribute to the achievement of the Goal 14.

Data Sources and Collection Method

The past and current versions of NBSAP of Japan is available on the website of Ministry of the Environment Japan.

<https://www.env.go.jp/en/nature/biodiv/nsj/index.html>

<https://www.biodic.go.jp/biodiversity/about/initiatives/index.html>

Method of Computation and Other Methodological Considerations

- Computation Method

If the NBSAP or a similar national strategy includes ecosystem-based approaches to manage marine areas, count as one.

- Comments and limitations

N/A

Data Disaggregation

N/A

References

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Custodian Ministries of Data

Ministry of the Environment

Custodian Ministries of Related Policies

Cabinet Office

Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology

Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

Fisheries Agency, Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism

Ministry of the Environment

International Organizations

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)