CHECKLIST
Familiarize/Analyze of the text of the CMS and its instruments including National Reporting requirements
Review and revise existing national legislation
☐ The review should look for gaps and how existing legislation and policy support the implementation of the instruments. A review should not only focus on the existence of national legislation but also encompass its enforcement.
Plan implementation by following the national consultation process
 Consult with different relevant actors at the national level, including other ministries and technical/scientific experts as well as NFPs of other relevant MEAs
☐ The process should be open, transparent and inclusive in order to develop ownership and legitimacy for the plans implementation
☐ Establish or join existing national committee for implementation of migratory species conservation needs
Develop National Strategies and/or implementation plans
 For the development of a National Strategy and/or Implementation Plan the following three options could be considered: 1. Full integration of Migratory Species into the National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (NBSAP) 2. Stand-alone National Implementation Plan for Migratory Species (NIP) 3. Combination of NBSAP and NIP
Whichever option is chosen, it is clear that an effective strategy can only be elaborated through a consultative process with full involvement of all relevant stakeholders.
Promote and collaborate to actively support implementation on the ground
☐ Link decision-making with implementation on the ground
 Improve national capacity-building plans for the implementation of the CMS and its instruments (e.g. communication and awareness raising)
☐ Review of national resources available for implementation
☐ Secure additional financial and other resources for the implementation
☐ Explore enacting a national strategy and/or implementation strategy into law
☐ Develop enforcement and compliance frameworks
Monitor, and assess and report on national implementation
□ National strategies and/or plans should include review, monitoring and evaluation of a countries implementation activities in order to determine whether the CMS and its instruments are bringing about tangible improvement and that obligations under the instruments are being met.
Promote transboundary and regional Implementation and implementation at the international level
☐ Engage international processes such as UNDAFs and GEF