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Annex: Response to the Letter of Feedback regarding compliance issues.

The CoC ACKNOWLEDGED the difficulties that Bangladesh continue to face to fully implement the following CMMs adopted by the Commission:	Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not fully reported on action to implement reporting obligations & improve data collection of catches, as required by Resolution 18/07. 	Data collection in industrial fisheries is in line with resolution but not in artisanal fisheries. It is now trying to establish organized landing centres in coastal periphery based on fisher's concentration.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not fully adopted VMS for all vessels > 24 m and < 24 fishing high seas, as required by Resolution 15/03. 	VMS and AIS are now plan to implement in all vessels >24m and AIS to some percentage of mechanized fishing boats.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not reported Nominal catch to IOTC Standard for the coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	Species-wise nominal catch data consistent to IOTC standard is possible in industrial fisheries but quite difficult in artisanal fisheries at this stage and more time supposed to be needed to implement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not reported Catch & Effort data for the Coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	Catch & effort data is being furnished properly from industrial fisheries but need more time to implement in artisanal fisheries.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not reported Size frequency data for the Coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 15/02. 	Size frequency data will be reported gradually when required facilities are properly deployed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not reported Nominal catch data on sharks for the Coastal fisheries by IOTC Standard (missing gear and aggregated by species group), as required by Resolution 17/05. 	Nominal catch data on sharks are now reported from trawl fisheries and it will be tried to report from gill net too to comply IOTC standard.
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not reported Size frequency on sharks for the Coastal fisheries, as required by Resolution 17/05. 	Size frequency data on sharks will be reported gradually when required facilities are properly deployed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not implemented the prohibition on thresher sharks, as required by Resolution 12/09. 	Prohibition on thresher sharks to be implemented gradually after setting out basic standard and related legal instruments.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not implemented the prohibition on oceanic sharks, as required by Resolution 13/06. 	Prohibition on oceanic sharks to be implemented gradually after setting out basic standard and related legal instruments.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not implemented the prohibition on sharks finning, as required by Resolution 17/05. 	Prohibition on sharks finning is being implemented though need more stringent legal instrument and structured networks.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not provided information on the implementation of the FAO guideline to reduce mortality of sea turtles, as required by Resolution 12/04. 	No record of mortality of sea turtles except some sporadic news.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not provided data on interactions with marine turtles, as requested by Resolution 12/04. 	Data on interactions with marine turtles will furnish in future.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not implemented the sampling scheme for artisanal landing, as required by Resolution 11/04. 	New sampling scheme for artisanal landings has been drafted and in queue for final approval
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not information on prior notification period, as required by Resolution 16/11. 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not fully implemented the ban on large-scale driftnets, as requested by Resolution 17/07. 	<p>It is now discouraged by law to fish through using large-scale driftnets.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not transposed the prohibition of intentionally setting any gear type on mobulid rays into national legislation, as required by Resolution 19/03. 	<p>No catch in place targeting mobulid rays.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not provided the report on zero catches matrix, as required by Resolution 18/07. 	<p>Zero catches matrix on particular species is try to provide in future.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not transposed the prohibition to gaff, lift by the gill slits/spiracles, punch holes through the bodies. Obligation to release alive, implementation of live release handling procedures of mobulid rays national legislation, as required by Resolution 19/03. 	<p>No catch in place targeting mobulid rays. To comply specified resolution on such issues, if mobulid rays are entangled.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not provided information on actions taken domestically to monitor catches of Blue Shark as required by Resolution 18/02. 	<p>No catch in place targeting Blue shark.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not provided information on actions taken domestically to monitor catches & manage fisheries of Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin and Indo-pacific Sailfish as required by Resolution 18/05. 	<p>No record to catch various species of Marlins and Sailfish except some instances.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has not transposed the prohibition to retain on board, tranship, land, any Striped Marlin, Black Marlin, Blue Marlin, Indo-pacific Sailfish smaller than 60 cm Lower Jaw Fork Length into national legislation as required by Resolution 18/05. 	<p>No transshipment by law and that on reported species are not in place as well.</p>