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This policy aims to identify, monitor, and conserve IUCN Red Listed species and other nationally protected species found in areas affected by the operations of Abdullah Gül University (AGU). By establishing this policy, AGU seeks to better direct the creation and implementation of conservation measures in response to species classified as threatened by the IUCN. AGU also encourages research initiatives focused on endangered species.

This policy applies to the entire AGU community, including students, employees, contracted service employees, vendors, and visitors. AGU is committed to promoting environmental sustainability, enhancing biodiversity conservation efforts, and engaging the AGU community in conservation initiatives. To this end, AGU aims to raise public awareness through training and seminars for students, employees, and the general public.

With this policy, AGU intends to:

1. **Establish Regular Monitoring Protocols:** We aim to implement systematic protocols to observe and document populations of species listed on the IUCN Red List or national conservation lists. These protocols may include periodic field surveys and data collection to track any changes in populations over time.
2. **Develop Protective Measures:** When a species is identified as threatened, AGU intends to adopt protective measures that may include habitat preservation, restricted access, or limitations on activities that could negatively impact these species.
3. **Promote Reporting and Transparency:** AGU aims to enhance transparency by producing regular reports on monitoring and conservation activities, making these reports accessible to the public and relevant stakeholders. This approach demonstrates AGU's ongoing commitment to environmental stewardship.
4. **Collaborate with Conservation Organizations:** We intend to strengthen our partnerships with local conservation organizations, government agencies, and NGOs to support broader conservation initiatives. Collaborative efforts can enhance our impact in protecting the habitats of vulnerable species.
5. **Develop an Emergency Response Plan:** AGU is considering the establishment of an emergency response plan for critical situations, such as natural disasters or other threats, to ensure rapid and effective protection measures for at-risk species.

All students, employees, and contracted service employees involved in AGU's activities are expected to adhere to this Identification, Monitoring, and Conservation Policy for IUCN and Other Species. Through this policy, AGU aims to create a lasting impact on campus and in the broader community, fostering an environment that values sustainability, supports local ecosystems, and aligns with AGU's environmental and social responsibility goals.

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