

BRAND: KIA

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Based on the provided "Kia 2024 Sustainability Report," here is an evaluation of Kia's corporate biodiversity performance using the specified DeTrust Lab Biodiversity Methodology:

Stage 1: Biodiversity Pressures and Priority Areas (30%)

1. Summary of Biodiversity Pressures (15%)

- Score: 3
- **Justification:** The report outlines Kia's initiatives such as the Ocean Cleanup project and tidal flat restoration, recognizing the company's impact on marine ecosystems. However, a comprehensive summary of biodiversity pressures across all operational areas is limited.

2. Priority Species, Habitats, and Ecosystem Services (15%)

- Score: 2
- **Justification:** Kia's report mentions efforts to protect marine ecosystems and increase carbon absorption through tidal flat restoration but does not provide a detailed list of priority species, habitats, or ecosystem services.

Stage 2: Vision, Goals, and Strategies (40%)

1. Corporate Biodiversity Vision (10%)

- Score: 3
- Justification: The report articulates a vision for environmental sustainability and includes biodiversity aspects indirectly through projects like Ocean Cleanup. However, a distinct, detailed biodiversity vision is not clearly presented.

2. Scalable Biodiversity Goals and Objectives (15%)

- Score: 2
- **Justification:** The report includes goals related to broader environmental initiatives but lacks specific, measurable biodiversity goals and objectives.

3. Key Strategies to Deliver Goals and Objectives (15%)

- Score: 3
- Justification: Kia's strategies include partnerships and projects focused on environmental conservation, such as the Ocean Cleanup and tidal flat restoration. While these contribute to biodiversity indirectly, more targeted biodiversity strategies are needed.

Stage 3: Indicator Framework and Strategic Plan (20%)



1. Framework of Core Indicators (10%)

- Score: 2
- **Justification:** The report discusses environmental monitoring and reporting but does not provide a specific framework for biodiversity indicators.

2. Elements of a Biodiversity Strategic Plan (10%)

- Score: 2
- **Justification:** The report highlights some strategic initiatives, such as the restoration of tidal flats, but lacks a comprehensive biodiversity strategic plan with specific actions and indicators.

Stage 4: Monitoring and Reporting (10%)

1. Monitoring Plan (5%)

- Score: 2
- **Justification:** The report includes general environmental monitoring systems but does not detail a specific biodiversity monitoring plan.

2. Database of Relevant Data (2.5%)

- Score: 1
- **Justification:** There is no mention of a dedicated biodiversity database or the use of global biodiversity information systems.

3. Monitoring and Reporting Systems (2.5%)

- Score: 2
- **Justification:** The report discusses general environmental monitoring systems but lacks details on standardized biodiversity monitoring and reporting systems.



Summary of Scores:

Stage	Sub-element	Weight	Score (0-5)	Weighted Score
1	Biodiversity Pressures and Priority Areas	30%		
	Summary of biodiversity pressures	15%	3	0.45
	Priority species and habitats	15%	2	0.30
2	Vision, Goals, and Strategies	40%		
	Corporate biodiversity vision	10%	3	0.30
	Scalable goals and objectives	15%	2	0.30
	Key strategies	15%	3	0.45
3	Indicator Framework and Strategic Plan	20%		
	Framework of core indicators	10%	2	0.20
	Elements of a strategic plan	10%	2	0.20
4	Monitoring and Reporting	10%		
	Monitoring plan	5%	2	0.10
	Database of relevant data	2.5%	1	0.025
	Monitoring and reporting systems	2.5%	2	0.05

Final Weighted Score (out of 5):

0.45 + 0.30 + 0.30 + 0.30 + 0.45 + 0.20 + 0.20 + 0.10 + 0.025 + 0.05 = 2.375

Concluding Summary:

• **Overall Justification:** Kia's report shows a fair commitment to environmental sustainability with some indirect contributions to biodiversity. Specific biodiversity-focused goals, strategies, and detailed monitoring plans are lacking. Strengthening these areas will enhance the company's biodiversity performance.