# **FORESTRY & BIODIVERSITY**

- Enhance protection of wildlife and associated habitats. Engage in habitat restoration.
- Add value to wildlife preservation through tourism.

#### Decline in health and abundance of marine resources. 🗘 🗘 🗘



- Pass the draft Environmental Management and Conservation of Biodiversity Bill. (PA)
- Improve management of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs). (PA)
- Work with neighbouring islands to create protected migration corridors for key marine species in the Caribbean basin. (PA)

## Degradation of turtle nesting habitat (sandy beaches) and creation of unbalanced sex ratios.

- Minimise beach development, beach erosion and marine habitat loss. (PA)
- Develop contingency plan to rescue and relocate or incubate turtle nests that could be flooded. (LRA)

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- Conduct a forest/terrestrial biodiversity inventory. Expand protected areas to target vulnerable species and sensitive areas. (PA)
- Restrict vegetation clearing to construction footprint and require timely landscaping with primarily native species. (PA)
- Enhance legal protection and management of remaining forested areas. (PA)
- Start serious reforestation programme.(PA)
- Develop bird watching trails and lookouts as a key tourist attraction. (PA)



### Bird migration and reproduction patterns disrupted. Increased mortality.

- Enhance protection of bird stopover habitats such as salt ponds and mangroves. (PA)
- Reduce populations of introduced bird egg predators such as cats, rodents and mongoose. (PA)

#### Increased invasive species.

Develop invasive species reporting and early warning system and standard response protocol. (PA)