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Recently, the Ramsar COP15 concluded with a side event of Indo-Burma Ramsar Regional Initiative (IBRRI) for wetland conservation and restoration.

About Indo-Burma Ramsar Regional Initiative (IBRRI)

- It was jointly developed by the Ramsar National Focal Points (NFPs) **Cambodia, Lao People's Democratic Republic (PDR), Myanmar, Thailand and Viet Nam**, and IUCN's Asia Regional Office.
- It is **supported by IUCN's BRIDGE** (Building River Dialogue and Governance) project.
- It aims to support the coordinated implementation of the objectives of the **Strategic Plan of the Ramsar Convention**.
- To ensure oversight and transparency in the management of the IBRRI, the initiative has established a governance structure with representatives from both government and non-governmental organisations:
 - **Steering Committee:** It includes representatives from Ramsar Administrative Authorities from the five countries.

- **Secretariat:** It is **hosted by the IUCN** Asia Regional Office in Bangkok.
- **Stakeholder Committee** provides technical and strategic guidance as a platform for inclusive, transparent and multi-stakeholder engagement in IBPRI activities.
- The IBPRI officially **launched its Strategic Plan 2025-2030** during a side event at the 15th Meeting of the Conference of the Contracting Parties to the Ramsar Convention.
- The Plan sets out a collaborative, transboundary framework to halt and reverse the loss of wetlands across its Member States.

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