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Module 7: The NAP process

7.3 Stocktaking and synthesis of available information on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation

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In this module

Learning points:

- Element A of the NAP Process: laying the groundwork and addressing gaps

- The benefits of conducting a stocktaking exercise

- Approaches to take stock of climate analysis and current and past activities

Guiding questions:

- What type of information should stocktaking efforts target?

- How to structure the stocktaking to serve the desired purpose?

Premise and goal of a stocktaking exercise

Premise

- Many activities already exist in LDCs that have been designed and implemented as part of the NAPA process to address urgent and immediate adaptation needs, or that are being implemented by other stakeholders including NGOs and other civil society groups

Goals

- To establish the knowledge base for the NAP process, drawing on available data and information

- To provide an indication of the current enabling environment for adaptation in the country

- To contribute to the identification and addressing of gaps and barriers to adaptation planning and implementation

Target information

Available climate analyses	Available vulnerability and climate impact analyses	Past and ongoing adaptation activities	Gaps and barriers for adaptation planning and implementation
• Current climate • Future climate scenarios	• National or local • Sector-specific	• Policies • Programmes • Projects • Capacity-building activities	• Strengths and weaknesses regarding capacity, data, information, and resources • Barriers for planning and implementation

Guiding questions

- How have these analyses and activities been developed?

- What support and funding has been received?

- What have been the timelines involved?

- What kind of data and information has been collected?

- What kind of arrangements and capacities have they produced?

- What barriers were encountered?

- What was their overall effectiveness?

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Sources of information and outputs

Type	Possible sources	Possible outputs
Available climate analyses	Available assessments of past and current climate and any existing climate scenarios	Database of available assessments of current and future climate
Available vulnerability and climate impact analyses	Past assessments of impacts, vulnerability and adaptation options at national level (e.g. NAPA), but also at regional and global levels (e.g. latest IPCC reports)	Database of impacts and vulnerabilities to inform future adaptation assessments
Past and ongoing adaptation activities	Any available programme or project reports (e.g. NAPA, LDCF/NAPA project documents, PPCR documents, etc.), including progress and closing reports	Database of past and ongoing adaptation activities and information on results and effectiveness
Gaps and barriers for adaptation planning and implementation	Available reports from past and ongoing initiatives	Documentation of gaps and barriers for planning and implementing adaptation

Structuring the stock-taking exercise

Stocktaking needs to be clear and structured according to the needs of the information required

National teams will need to be clear on:

(i) what information is needed and what is not; and

(ii) which information needs to be included and which should not