

# Work of the LDC Expert Group in supporting the LDCs on adaptation

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## Mandate of the LEG, and the work areas

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### COP decisions

- 2001**  29/CP.7  
  
 4/CP.11  
 8/CP.13  
 6/CP.16  
 5/CP.17  
 12/CP.18  
 3/CP.20  
 4/CP.21  
 1/CP.21  
 19/CP.21  
**2016**  6/CP.22



### Work areas

1. NAPs – technical guidance and support
2. LDCs access to the GCF for NAPs
3. NAPAs and the LDC work programme
4. Gender, vulnerable communities and ecosystems
5. Regional approaches to adaptation planning
6. M&E (of PEG) in relation to NAPs
7. SBI assessment of progress in NAPs
8. Work related to implementation of the Paris Agreement
9. Collaboration with other bodies
10. Collaboration with organizations, regional centres and networks



### **Support provided by the LEG by 2020 of the achievement of:**

- ❑ The existence of a well-structured adaptation planning process in the LDCs;
- ❑ Formulation of robust and good-quality NAPs;
- ❑ Implementation of priority adaptation needs identified in the NAPs with funding from the GCF and other sources;
- ❑ Demonstrable results in building adaptive capacity, strengthening resilience and reducing vulnerability to climate change in the LDCs.













*FCCC/SBI/2016/7, paragraph 15*

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## Progress made in NAPs (by the developing countries)

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There currently are 8 NAPs, **two** of which are from LDCs

Country	National Adaptation Plan
Brazil	 Executive Summary (Portuguese),  Part 1 (Portuguese),  Part 2 (Portuguese)  Part 1 (English),  Part 2 (English)
Burkina Faso	 English,  French
Cameroon	 French
Chile	 NAP (Spanish)  Agriculture NAP (Spanish)  Biodiversity NAP (Spanish)  Fisheries and aquaculture NAP (Spanish)
Kenya	 English
Sri Lanka	 English
State of Palestine	 English
Sudan	 English

Available at: <http://www4.unfccc.int/nap/Pages/national-adaptation-plans.aspx>



### Accessing funding for NAPs from the GCF

- ❑ Five (5) NAP proposals approved so far, under the USD 3 million modality;
- ❑ Funding for two (2) of these (Liberia, Nepal) had been disbursed;
- ❑ A number of countries (thirty-four, 34) had also submitted proposals, awaiting approval
- ❑ Most of the submission are made through multilateral implementing entities



### LDC Expert Group

- ❑ Continued **engagement with the GCF secretariat** on ways to enhance the process to access support for NAPs.
- ❑ Five (5) regional training **workshops** on NAPs in 2017;
- ❑ **Integrative Framework for NAPs and SDGs** developed and applied at the training workshops, to guide countries on how to concurrently achieve adaptation and development goals;
- ❑ Country case studies on NAPs (**Open NAPs**) to provide a quick overview of how a NAP can be executed at the national level;
- ❑ Two **regional NAP Expos** to promote greater interaction among countries and to enhance collaboration with various partners at the regional levels;
- ❑ Further development of **NAP Central**, including the NAP tracking tool and the event pages for workshops and Expos.



## Progress made in relation to support provided (on NAPs)

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A number of organizations and agencies continue to support countries on different elements or parts of the process

- The NAP-GSPs
- UNEP, UNDP on NAP proposals and other areas
- UNEP REGATTA
- FAO through the NAP-Ag support programme
- NAP Global Network
- WMO on climate services
- WHO on health
- Japan Caribbean Climate Change Partnership (J-CCCP)
- GIZ
- Etc.

*More details in the progress report on NAPs*

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## Progress made on implementation of NAPAs and LDC work programme

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- ❑ A total of **249** NAPA projects approved for funding from the LDCF since its establishment in 2001
- ❑ As at 30 June, **20 NAPA proposals** (totalling USD 126.3 million) had been technically cleared by the GEF secretariat and were awaiting the availability of resources from the LDCF
- ❑ As at 9 August 2017, the total cumulative donor **pledges** to the LDCF amounted to **USD 1.23 billion**
- ❑ At least five LDCs had revised and/or updated their NAPAs.





## Emerging challenges expressed by countries from the NAP workshops

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The challenges and needs fall under four broad categories:

- ❑ Having the best available data and tools for assessments;
- ❑ Making swift tangible progress in accessing funding from the GCF for NAPs;
- ❑ Building long-term capacity for adaptation planning and implementation;
- ❑ Having training materials that countries can use/apply at the national level.

*The LEG will include these to inform ongoing support to the LDCs*



- ❑ **Submitted NAPs** and other outputs from countries
- ❑ **Questionnaire** to submit info for the SBI assessment of progress in NAPs
- ❑ **Global NAP Calendar**
  - ❖ Provides information on the different meetings, training workshops and conferences related to NAPs
  - ❖ Many partners sharing information on their events
  
- ❑ **NAP Events online:** NAP Expos, workshops
- ❑ More features being rolled out: Open NAPs, NAP Tracking Tool, Dashboard, etc.
- ❑ **NAP Tracking Tool**
  - ❖ Provides progress made by each developing country
  - ❖ Information is extracted from the online questionnaire and surveys



LEG is undertaking various activities to prepare for the review

- ❑ TORs to guide data collection, sharing
- ❑ Engaging relevant organizations
- ❑ Expert meeting in February 2018
- ❑ Report on meeting to SBI 48
- ❑ **Comprehensive information is needed for the review** – it is important for all Parties to complete the [online questionnaire](#)

### Areas of assessment

- ❑ NAP objectives
  - ❖ To **reduce vulnerability** to the impacts of climate change, by **building adaptive capacity and resilience**
  - ❖ To **facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation**
- ❑ Consideration of all the **guiding principles** for NAPs (decision 5/CP.17)

## Gaps and needs related to adaptation that would arise from the implementation of the Paris Agreement *(for feedback)*

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Area	Needs
<b>Linking adaptation with development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Linking climate change adaptation plans and actions with the SDGs</li><li>• Cultivating synergies between NAPs and other national efforts on achieving the SDGs</li></ul>
<b>Climate science</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Understanding future climate scenarios</li><li>• Translating the less than 2°C global temperature limit to the national level</li></ul>
<b>Risk assessments and risk management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Evaluation of the different types, scale and levels of adaptation required to address climate risks and vulnerabilities in the context of the less than 2°C global temperature limit</li></ul>



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Area	Needs
<b>Monitoring and evaluation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Metrics, tools and frameworks to monitor, evaluate and document the outcomes of adaptation efforts towards the achievement of the global goal on adaptation</li><li>• Capturing and sharing adaptation efforts in an effective manner for them to be recognized</li><li>• Assessing adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support at the national level</li><li>• Capturing and communicating the information required by the SBI to assess progress made in NAPs</li></ul>
<b>Access to support for adaptation (finance, technology, capacity-building)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Assessing support needs for adaptation</li><li>• Understanding of the full scope of existing efforts for mobilization of support for adaptation</li><li>• Enabling environment for accessing and managing support</li><li>• Making demonstrable progress in accessing funding from the GCF</li></ul>



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Area	Needs
<b>Cross-cutting issues</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strengthening the considerations of women, children and other vulnerable groups</li><li>• Developing and implementing integrated approaches that can build on co-benefits and manage trade-offs between adaptation and mitigation</li><li>• Capturing and sharing experiences, best practices and lessons learned</li><li>• Enhancing the engagement of Non-Party Stakeholders (esp. regional centres and networks, private sector, etc.) to support the countries on adaptation planning and implementation</li></ul>



### **Work on two of the mandates has been concluded**

- ❑ Modalities to recognize the adaptation efforts of developing country Parties:
  - ❖ Synthesis reports on adaptation efforts, and on specific themes;
  - ❖ High-level event for presenting the efforts, and a summary thereof;
  - ❖ Showcasing of adaptation efforts at various events
- ❑ Methodologies on taking the necessary steps to facilitate the mobilization of support for adaptation in developing countries:
  - ❖ Enhancing enabling environments, policy frameworks, etc.
  - ❖ Assessment and prioritization of adaptation needs;
  - ❖ Engaging on adaptation planning and implementation
  - ❖ Making efforts to access available resources, etc.
- ❑ Work on methodologies on reviewing the adequacy and effectiveness of adaptation and support requires further technical work.



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