

Mr. Chair,

Bangladesh considers the issue of Loss and Damage associated with climate change impacts as of paramount importance as the most vulnerable country in the face of adverse impacts of changing climate. Bangladesh would like to thank the members and observers those who participated on the first meeting of the Ex Com of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts. Bangladesh shares appreciation to the Co-facilitator for the note they have prepared of the initial meeting of the Ex Com. We would like to underscore our concern that the means of implementation is key for the most vulnerable countries like Bangladesh, and we would like to see the provision of means of implementation being reflected at the workplan.

Mr. Chair, in this session, we are mandated to discuss about the composition and modalities of the Ex Com. Bangladesh proposes that the committee should be formed in a way that the voice of developing countries and particularly the LDCs and SIDS should get heard in the process. We can take the example from Adaptation Committee and others and propose that there should be majority of developing countries representing in the committee including two members from LDCs and two from SIDS.

We do have ideas on composition and modalities and look forward to discussions on this matter.

Thank you