

Bangladesh Statement at SBI Opening Plenary on Second Review of the Adaptation Fund on
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Mr. Chair,

Bangladesh associates with the statement made by Malawi on behalf of LDCs. Bangladesh attaches paramount importance to the second review of Adaptation Fund. We welcome the submissions by parties on this issue and look forward for constructive discussion during the session. Bangladesh is very much concerned about the depleting resources at the Adaptation fund. We don't want this fund should remain as an empty shell and want to make this crucial fund sustainable, predictable and call upon developed country Parties to provide adequate financial resources to this fund.

The question of direct access modalities of the Adaptation Fund is very important for the developing countries like Bangladesh. We also look forward for the development for its linkages and relation with other institution and funds within the convention.

Mr Chair,

Very few developing countries including LDCs could be able to accredited their National Implementation Entities (NIE) and access resources from the Adaptation Fund, because of their limited capacities. Bangladesh highlights this critical concern so that the most vulnerable countries like Bangladesh can get their NIEs accredited on a fast track basis as we are considering the second review of the Adaptation Fund under Kyoto Protocol.

Bangladesh looks forward for constructive discussion and expects a very productive and effective outcome from this session on this agenda item.

Thank you