



**Article 6 Africa**  
**Regional Workshop**  
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# Public Participation - History

## National Census:

Livestock census and forest inventory was conducted in 1993/1994. stakeholders contributed by filling in or responding to the survey questionnaire.

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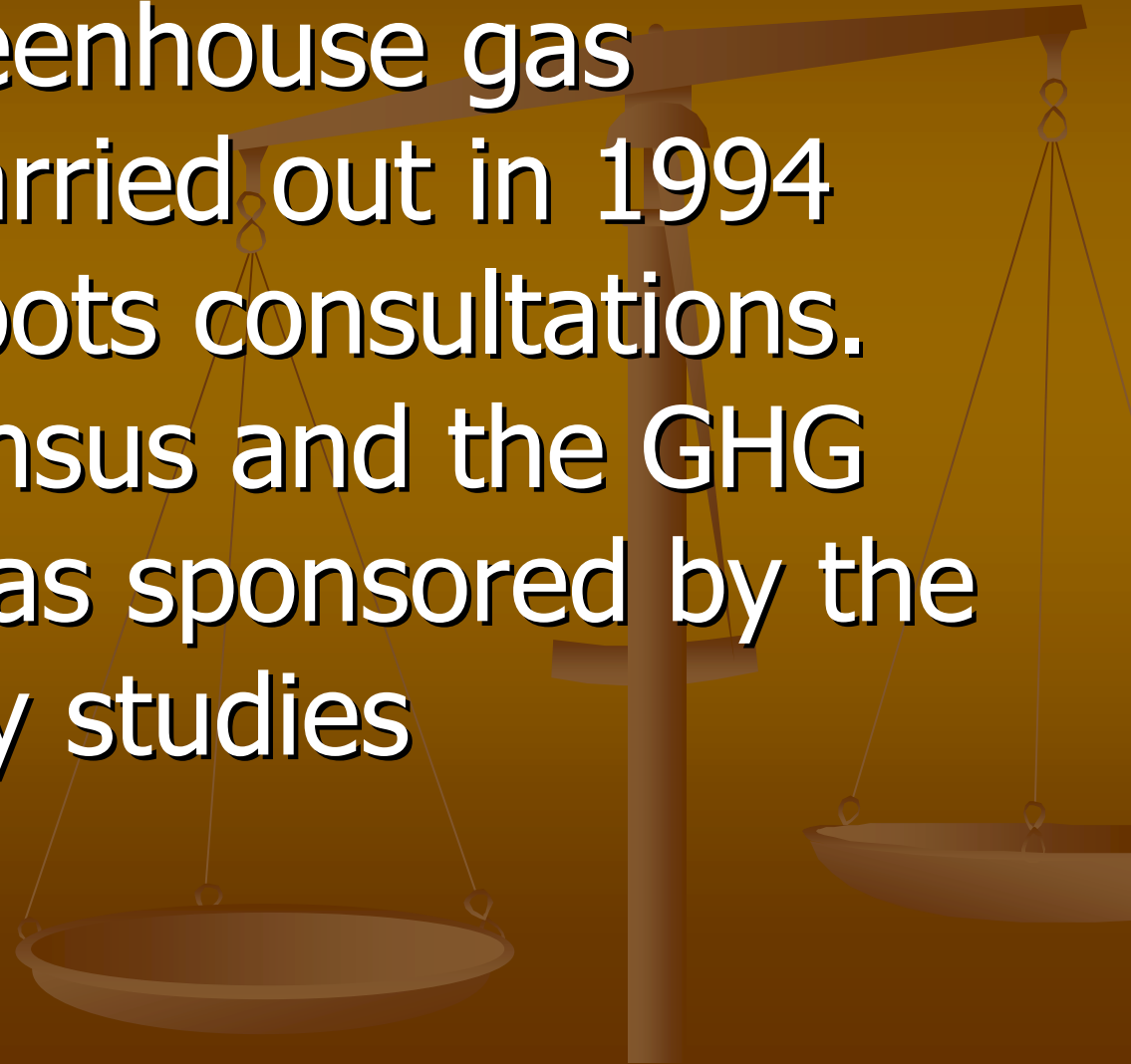
The National Climate committee was established in 1992 with 12 institutions represented. 1 lady

was among:

Presently there are 35 members with 2 ladies

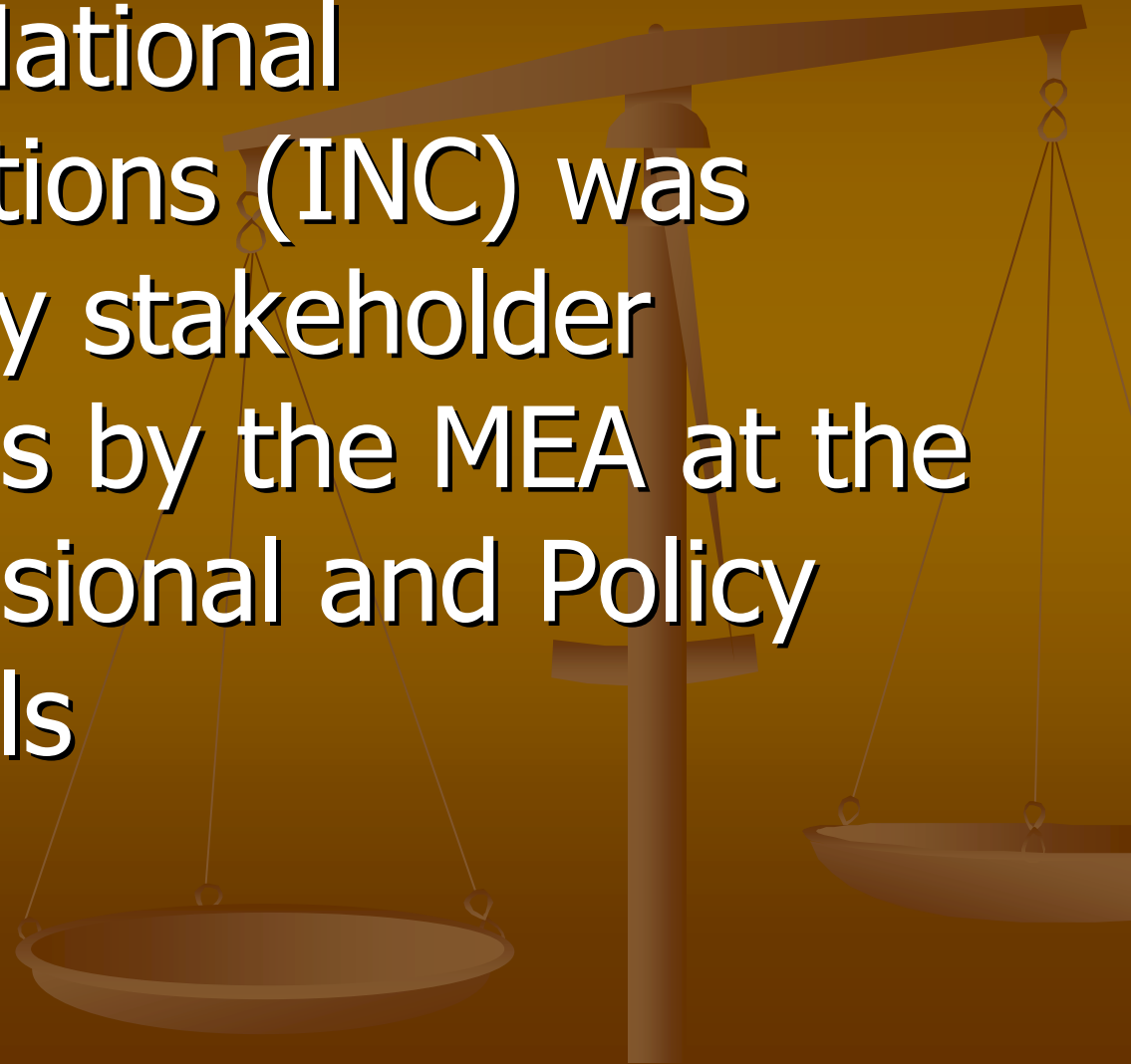
# Public Participation - History

- The first greenhouse gas inventory carried out in 1994 with grassroots consultations. Both the census and the GHG inventory was sponsored by the U.S. Country studies



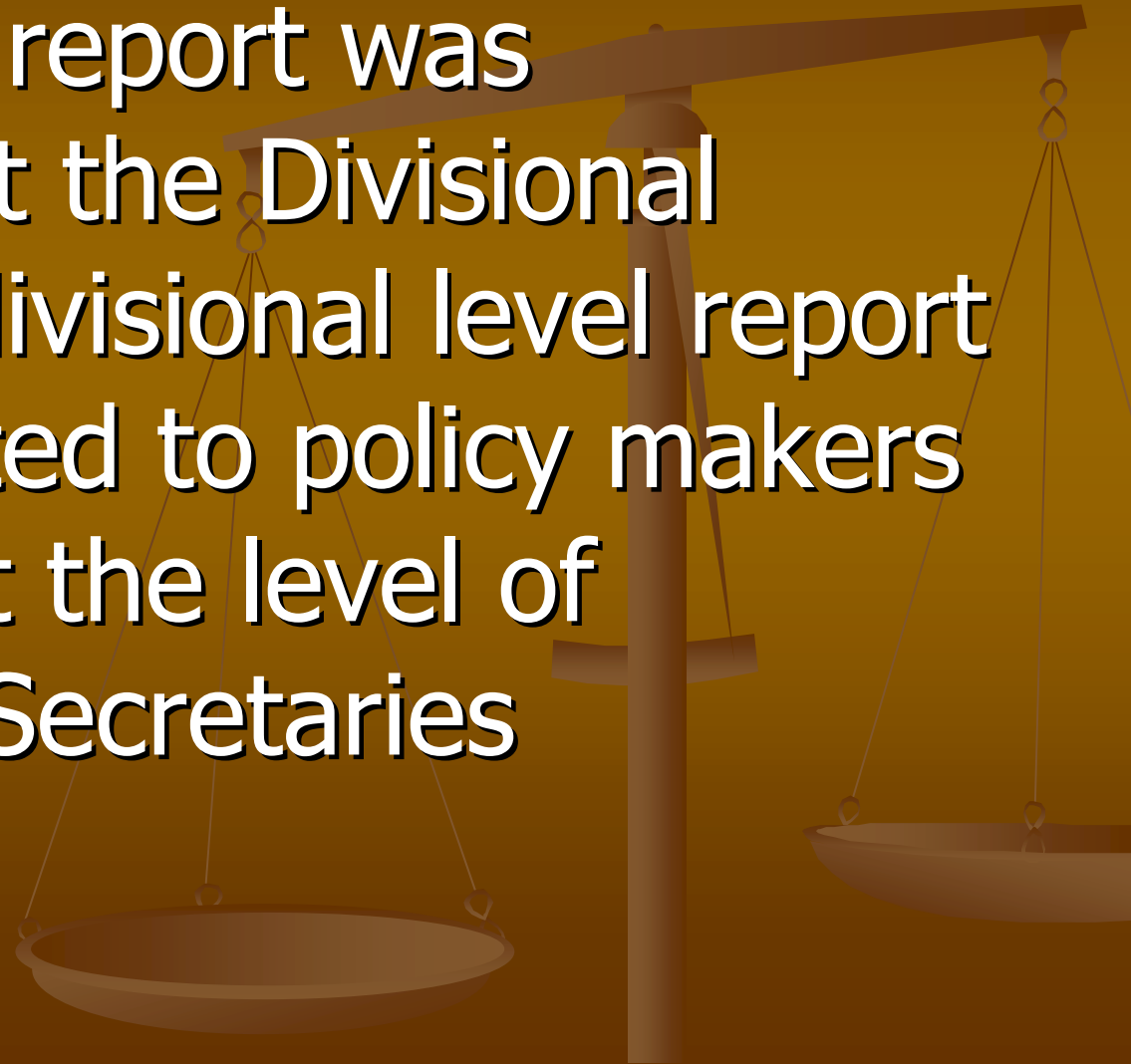
# Public Participation - History

- The Initial National Communications (INC) was preceded by stakeholder consultations by the MEA at the District, Divisional and Policy makers levels



# Public Participation - History

- The District report was presented at the Divisional levels, the divisional level report was presented to policy makers workshop at the level of Permanent Secretaries

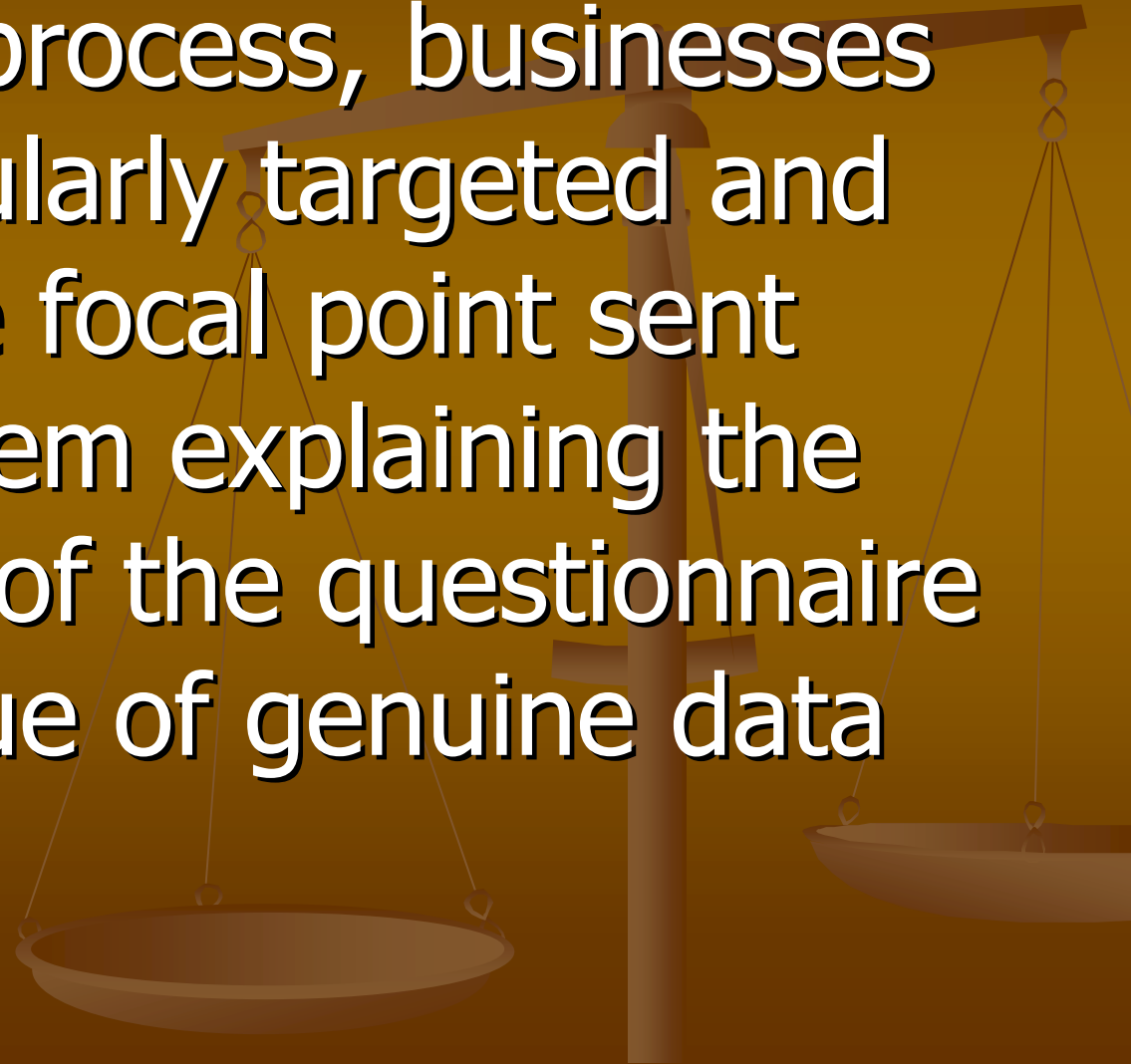


# Public Participation - INC

- The Initial National Communications (INC) was carried out in 1999 and presented to the Conference of Parties (COP) in 2003. During the process all relevant stakeholder consultation was conducted

# Public Participation - INC

- During the process, businesses were particularly targeted and as such, the focal point sent letters to them explaining the importance of the questionnaire and the value of genuine data provided





# Public Participation - INC

- A highly excellent, voluminous and technical document was produced with a chapter on Article 6. The document was distributed to institutions like forestry, energy, agriculture, health, water resources coastal protection, water resources etc.

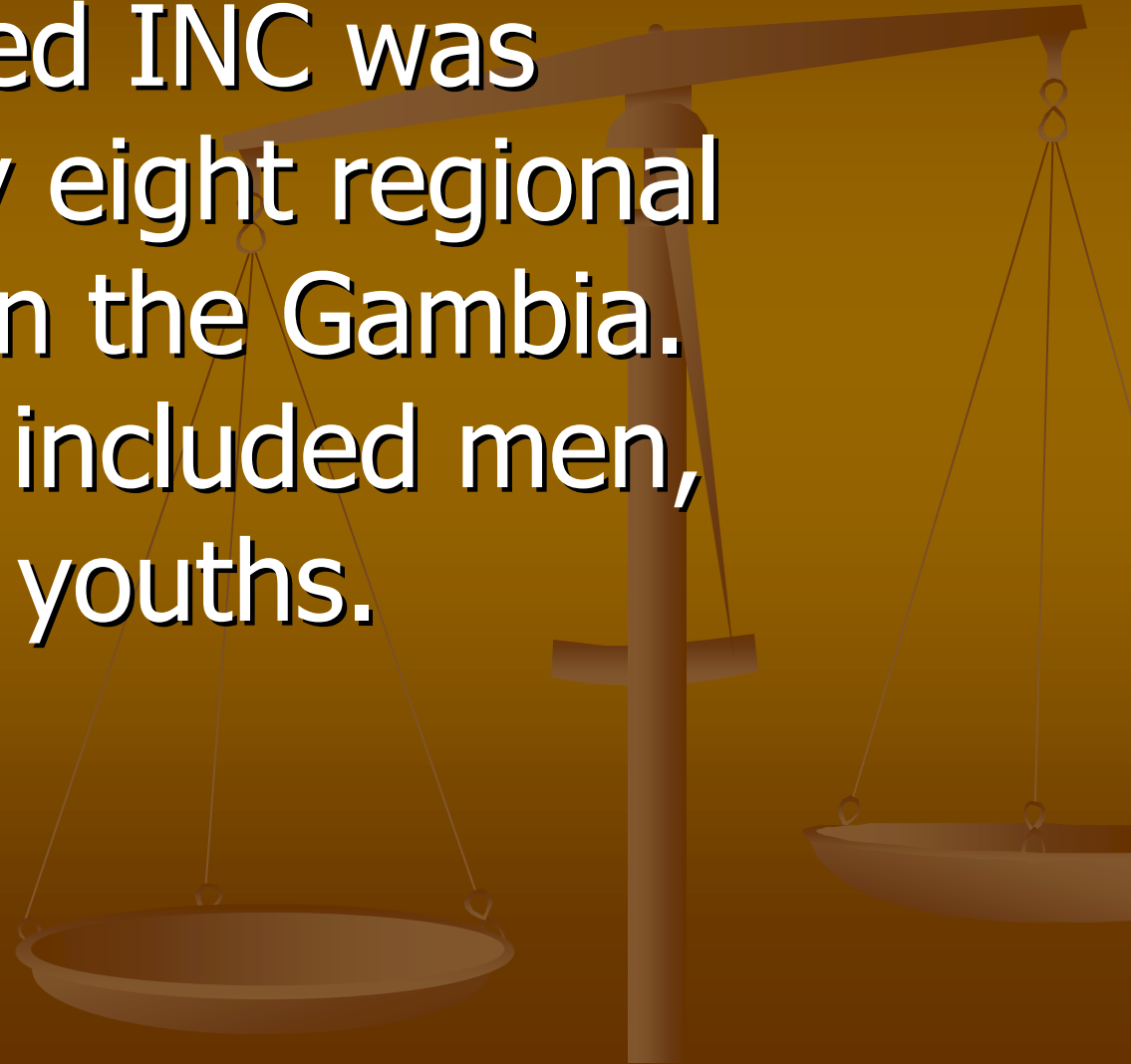
# Public Participation – ARWA 6

- The Gambia hosted the Africa Regional workshop in 2004, opened by the Minister of Environment and attended by relevant Ministers, Local Government officers



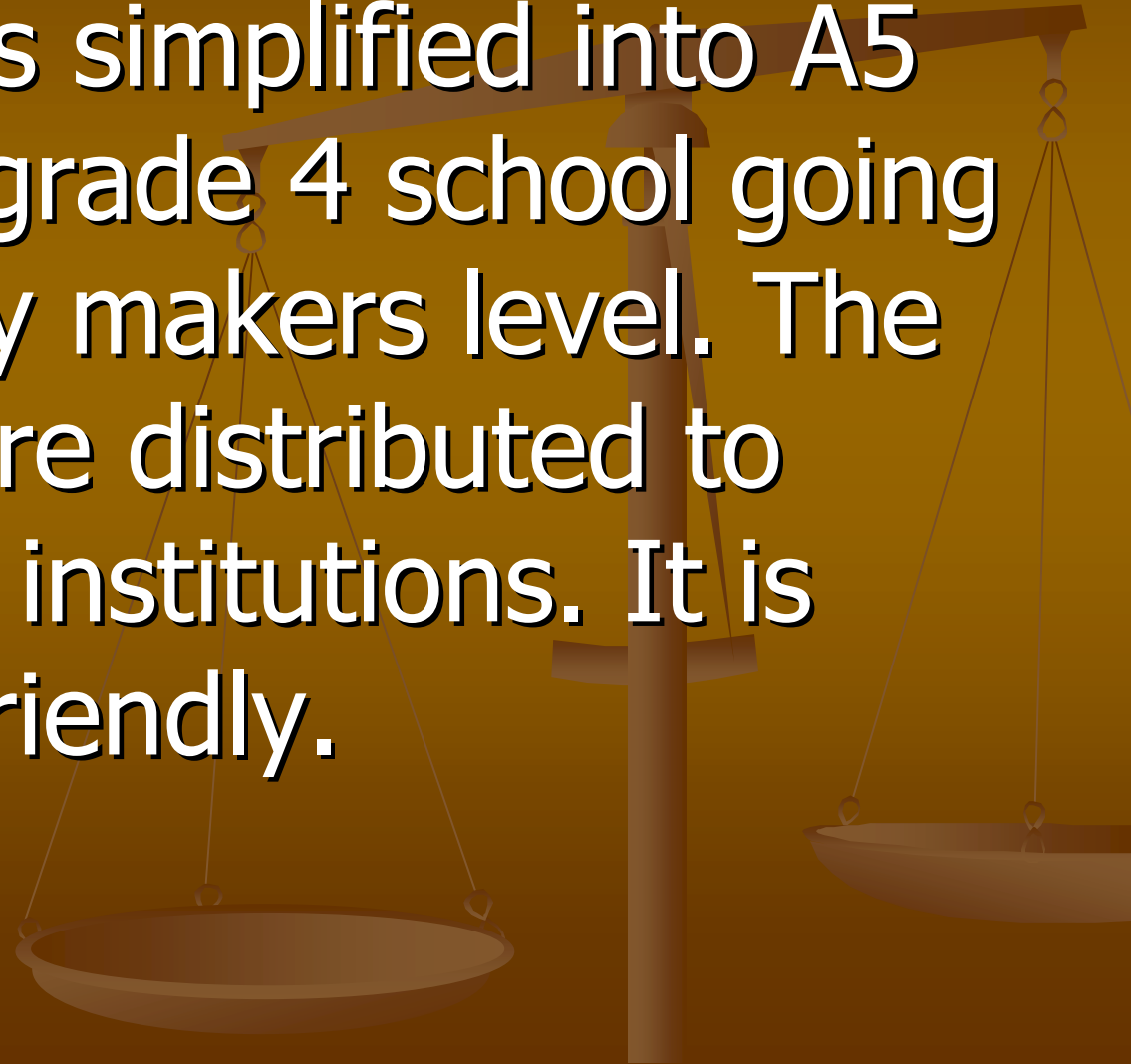
# Public Participation – 8 Workshops

- The simplified INC was preceded by eight regional workshops in the Gambia. Participants included men, women and youths.



# Public Participation – Booklet

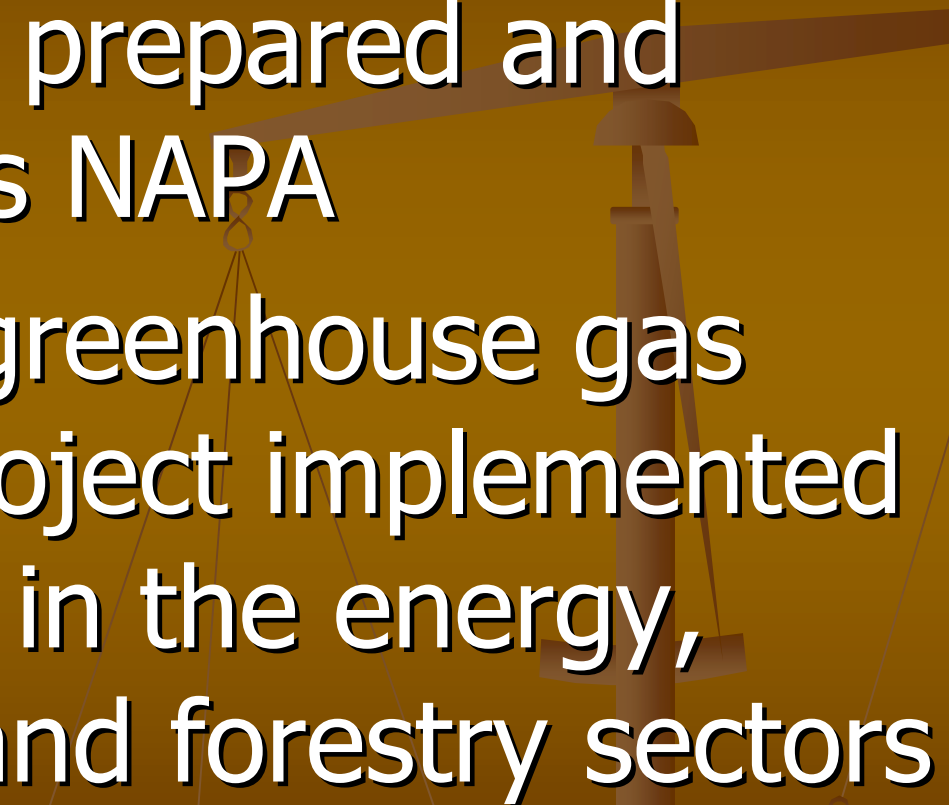
- The INC was simplified into A5 booklet for grade 4 school going age to policy makers level. The booklets were distributed to schools and institutions. It is more user friendly.



# Public Participation

- There is a proliferation of youth groups in the Gambia including; Global unification, children to children, concern universal, phoenix, climate change women's group, ENDA's interventions

# Public Participation

- The Gambia prepared and submitted its NAPA
  - Three year greenhouse gas inventory project implemented with studies in the energy, agriculture and forestry sectors
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# Public Participation



- The Second National Communications is being implemented and the chapter on Article 6 is complete
- During the preparation of the Article 6 Chapter questionnaire were filled/responded by those who have stake in the climate.

# Public Participation



- Article 6 questionnaire were filled/responded up to the level of the Vice President's office.
- Two were sent to the president's office and we still await the response



# Public Participation

- The UNFCCC focal point, Article 6 focal point, the permanent secretary Min. of Forest and Environment, the media, the NAPA coordinator had TV programmes sensitizing the public on climate change

# Public Participation



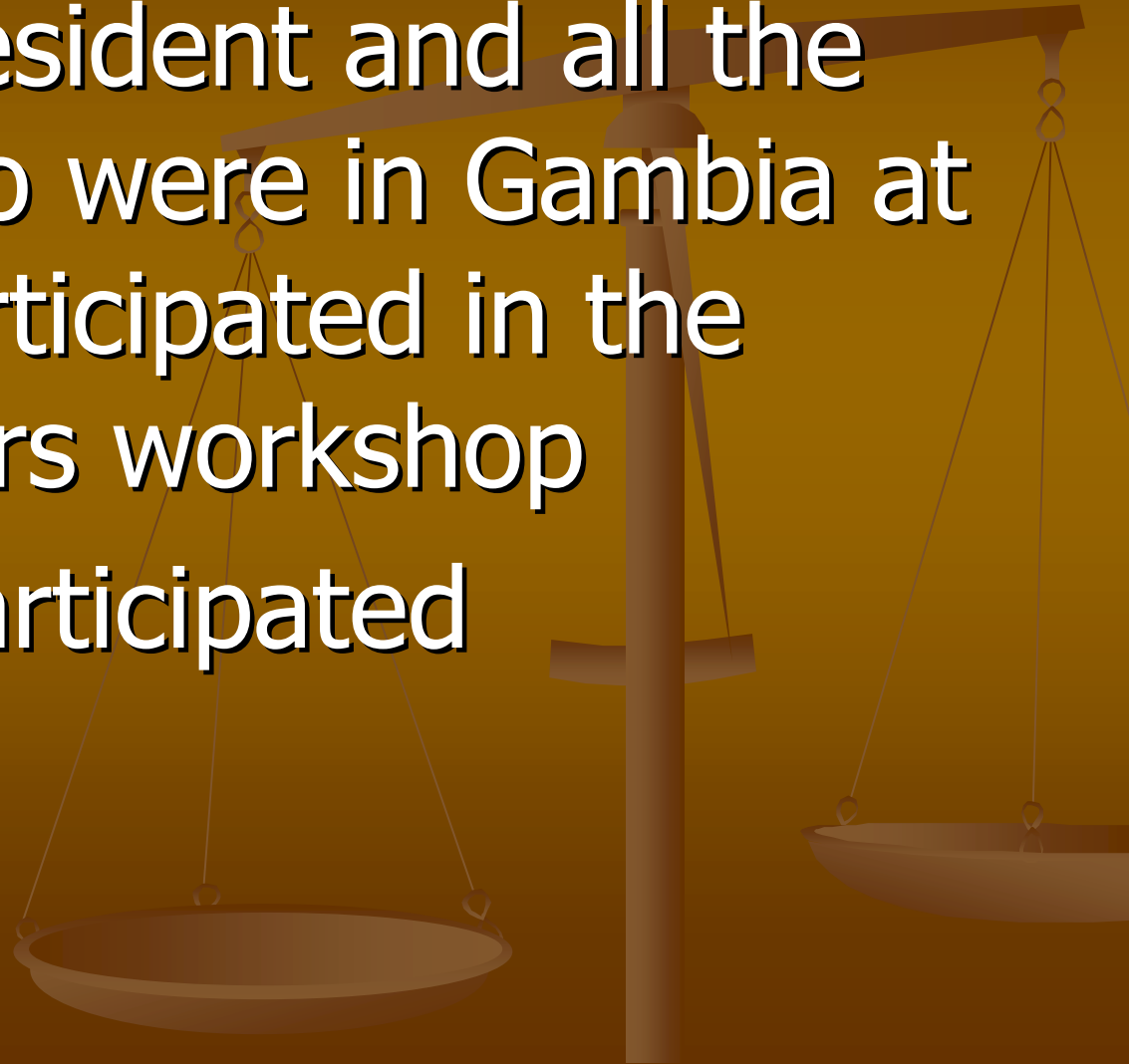
- World environment day
- World meteorology day
- World water day
- All these international days include CC talk and are celebrated with a wide range of stakeholder involvement

# Public Participation

- The UN human development report in a changing climate was presented by UNDP in 2008
- A policy makers workshop on climate change was organized in 2008. Participants included Secretary General of WMO, a representative of the UNFCCC Executive Secretary

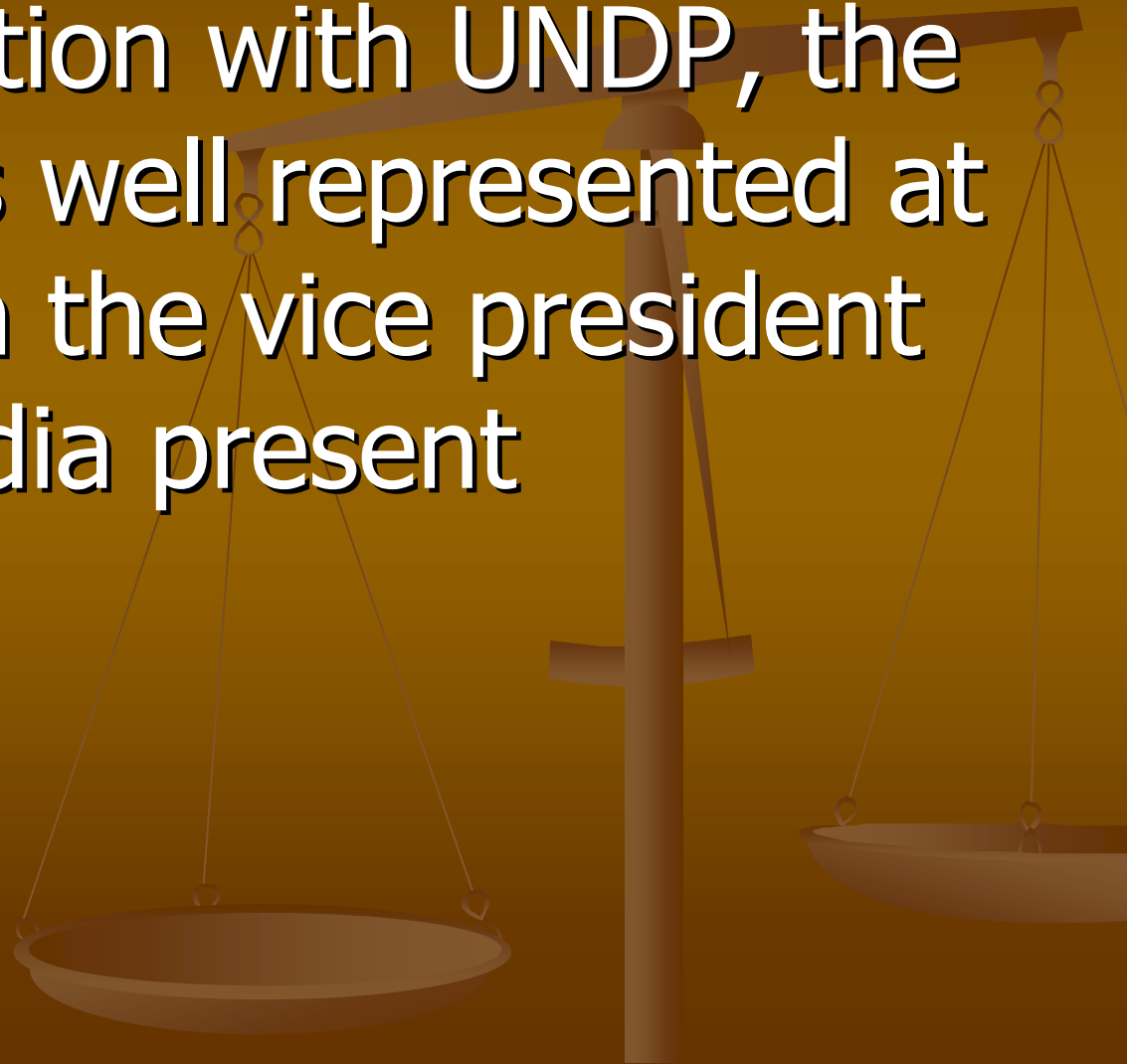
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- The vice president and all the Minister who were in Gambia at the time participated in the policy makers workshop
- All media participated



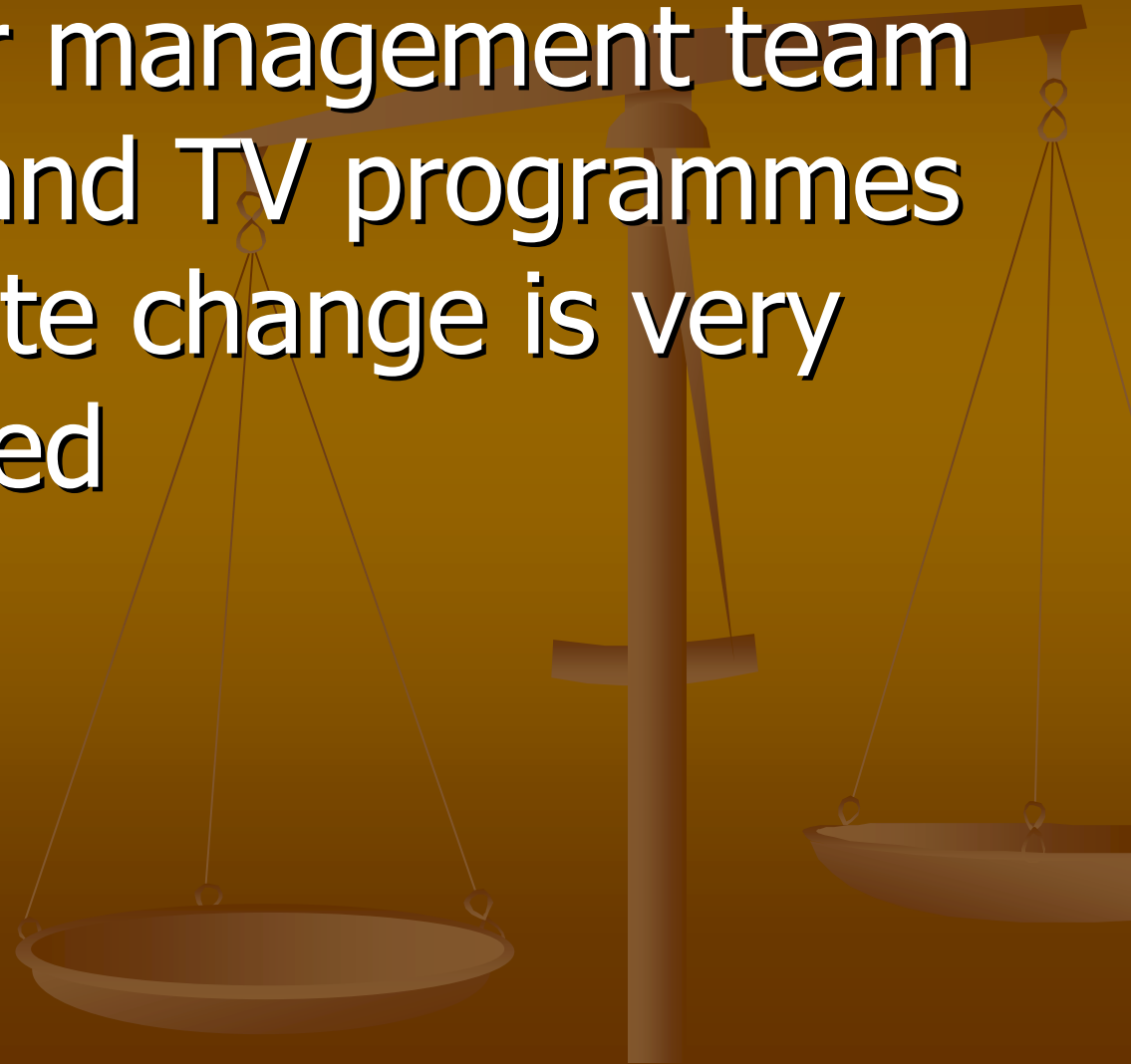
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- In collaboration with UNDP, the Gambia was well represented at COP 15 with the vice president and the media present



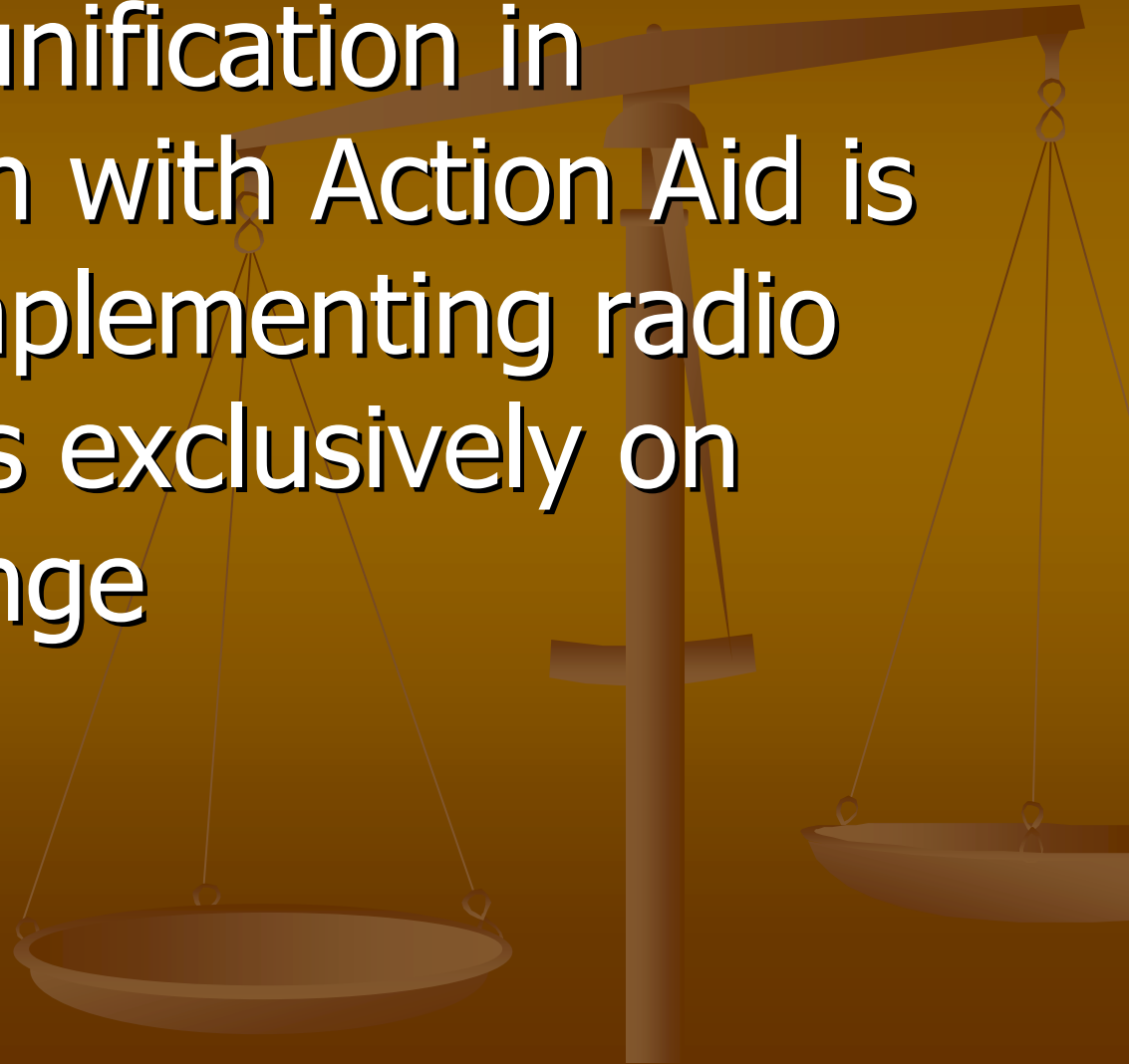
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- The disaster management team have radio and TV programmes where climate change is very well discussed

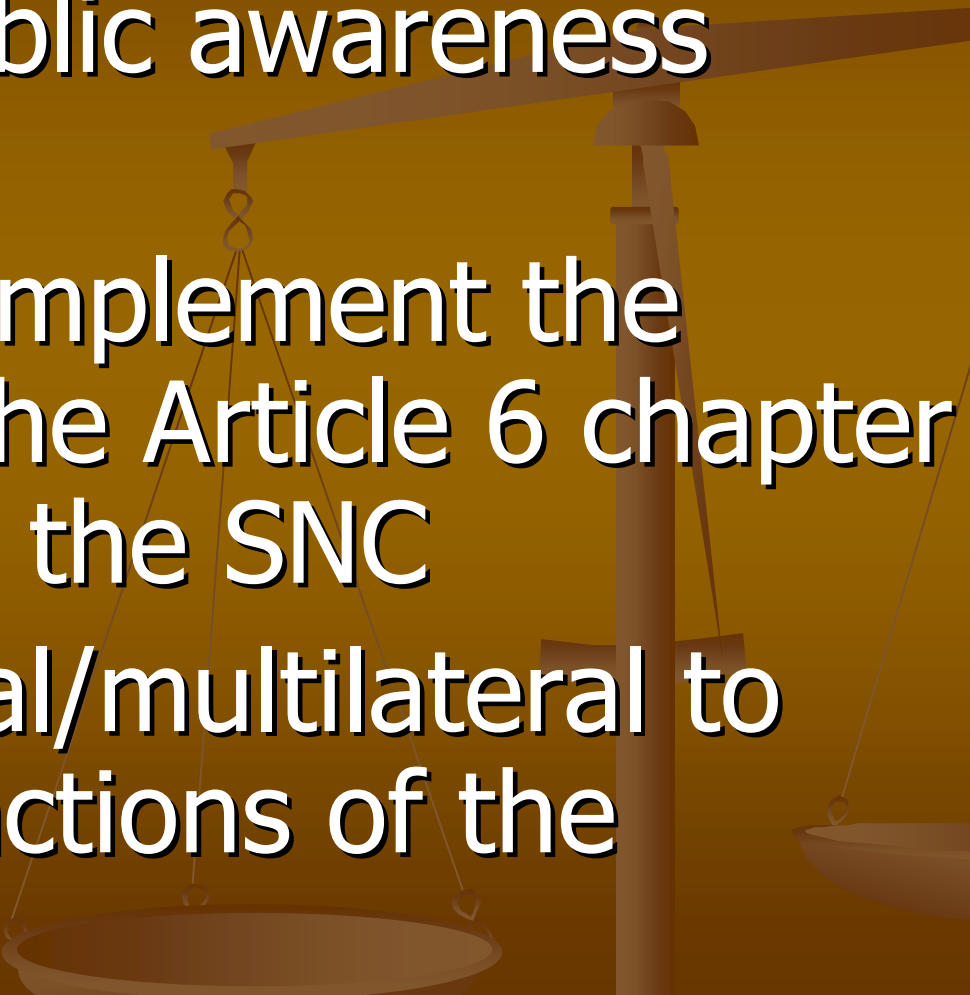


# Public Participation

- The global unification in collaboration with Action Aid is presently implementing radio programmes exclusively on climate change



# Way Forward

- Continue public awareness activities.
  - Revisit and implement the strategy in the Article 6 chapter contained in the SNC
  - Seek bilateral/multilateral to implement actions of the strategy
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■ I thank you all

for listening

