

Submissions from Pakistan

Response on submissions 1 to 3 may be treated as 'Nil'

Response on items 4 & 5 is as follows:-

Recognizing the importance of the New Delhi Work Program on Article 6 of the Convention, Pakistan has taken significant steps towards engaging all stakeholders and major groups in formulation of National Climate Change Policy. The Policy provides a comprehensive framework to pursue sustained economic growth by appropriately addressing the challenges of Climate Change and integration of the Policy with other interrelated national policies to ensure water security, food security and energy security. The policy also suggests national planning efforts on education, training, public awareness and public participation with the option for public access to information regarding Climate Change. The Climate Change Policy emphasizes on international, national and regional cooperation for addressing the Climate change challenges. Further, work on the development of National Adaptation and Mitigation Action Plans is under way. In order to implement the aforementioned plans adequate financial and technical resources are required considering the adverse impacts of Climate Change that were visible in the unprecedented floods of 2010 and 2011 in Pakistan.

Pakistan welcomes the proposal/efforts for a successor work program on Article 6 of the Convention provided that it should be guided by the following:-

- i) Country driven approach
- ii) Cost effectiveness
- iii) A phased approach integrating Article 6 activities into existing Climate Change programs and strategies
- iv) Promotion of partnerships, networks and synergies.
- v) A holistic interdisciplinary and systematic approach
- vi) Adhere to the principles of sustainable development.