Opinion of Republic Uzbekistan concerning the synthesised report on studying of a national situation in the field of preservation of the environment, economy and development for projects on climate change

Republic of Uzbekistan acknowledges the importance of initiative of Secretariat on summarizing the assessment of national situation and the needs of developing countries in the context of climate changes.

In the considered report the information presented by 10 countries which participated in the assessment of national situation in the areas of environment, education, economical evaluation in regard to climate change is summarized. The project was launched with the purpose of getting information of Non-Annex I Parties to Convention and to make complex assessment of needs in financing for realization of mitigation and adaptation measures. Summarizing of information presented by countries participating in the project includes the assessment of needs in financial resources needed for realization of mitigation and adaptation measures for 2020 and 2050, as well as evaluation of available and potential financial and political instruments to support the measures. The countries also submitted the information about the lessons learned from realization of the project on the assessment of needs and recommendations on the further steps aimed at the meeting of needs in accordance with country assessments.

Republic of Uzbekistan considers that conduction of such assessment by the developing countries is useful. The main outcomes of study by countries, the lessons learned and recommendations will facilitate the Subsidiary Body on Implementation to give recommendations on the possible further steps for rendering support to developing countries in the assessment of their financial needs related to implementation of mitigation and adaptation measures.

Besides, the conducted assessment revealed the following key problems typical for the majority of developing countries such as:

- lack of instruments and methodical approaches for estimation of costs of adaptation measures;
- lack of instruments and methodical approaches for estimation of vulnerability;
- lack of investments and available resources from the external and internal resources;
- insufficient integration of the issues of climate change to the planning and development programs;
- lack of awareness on the problems of climate change;
- absence or lack of coordination between institutions as one of the problems arising in the course of complex studies;
- need in the improvement of access to information and deeper understanding of ecological problems;

- importance of accounting of factors of climate change in the process of planning the development at the national and local levels;
- absence of experience and data base for conduction of the complex assessments of financial needs;
- limited funds and information capacities for conduction of own studies in the key climate-depending sectors.

All mentioned problems outline the importance of extending and deepening of activities on elaboration of knowledge basis on the problem of climate change and enhancement of adaptation capacity in developing countries.