

## CGE SURVEY RESULTS:

Problems related to the sustainability of the national communications process and maintenance of national technical teams for the preparation of national communication including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis

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# PRESENTATION OUTLINE

## Introduction

- **Survey Design**

## Analysis of the Results

- **Respondents**
  - Responses to the survey
- **Sustainability of National Teams**
  - Institutional Concerns
  - Financial Concerns
  - GHG Software
- **Bilateral and Multilateral Agencies**

## Conclusion

## INTRODUCTION

• In response to **decision 5/CP.15**, paragraphs (a-c) of its terms of reference, the CGE agreed at its first meeting on *29 to 31 March 2010*, to collect information on:

- Difficulties, challenges, technical problems, and constraints faced by NAI Parties in preparing their NC in using the UNFCCC guidelines (Para. 2(a) and 2(b));

- Sustaining the NC process and maintaining national technical teams (Para. 2(c)).

• **Presentation on the results of Survey 2:** Collection of information on problems related to the sustainability of the national communications process and maintenance of national technical teams for the preparation of national communication including GHG inventories, on a continuous basis

# SURVEY

## SURVEY DESIGN

*The survey contained four parts:*

- a. **Part 1:** Background Information;
- b. **Part 2:** Institutional Concerns and solutions;
- c. **Part 3:** Financial concerns and solutions;
- d. **Part 4:** GHG inventory Software.



# RESPONDENTS

## RESPONSES TO THE SURVEY

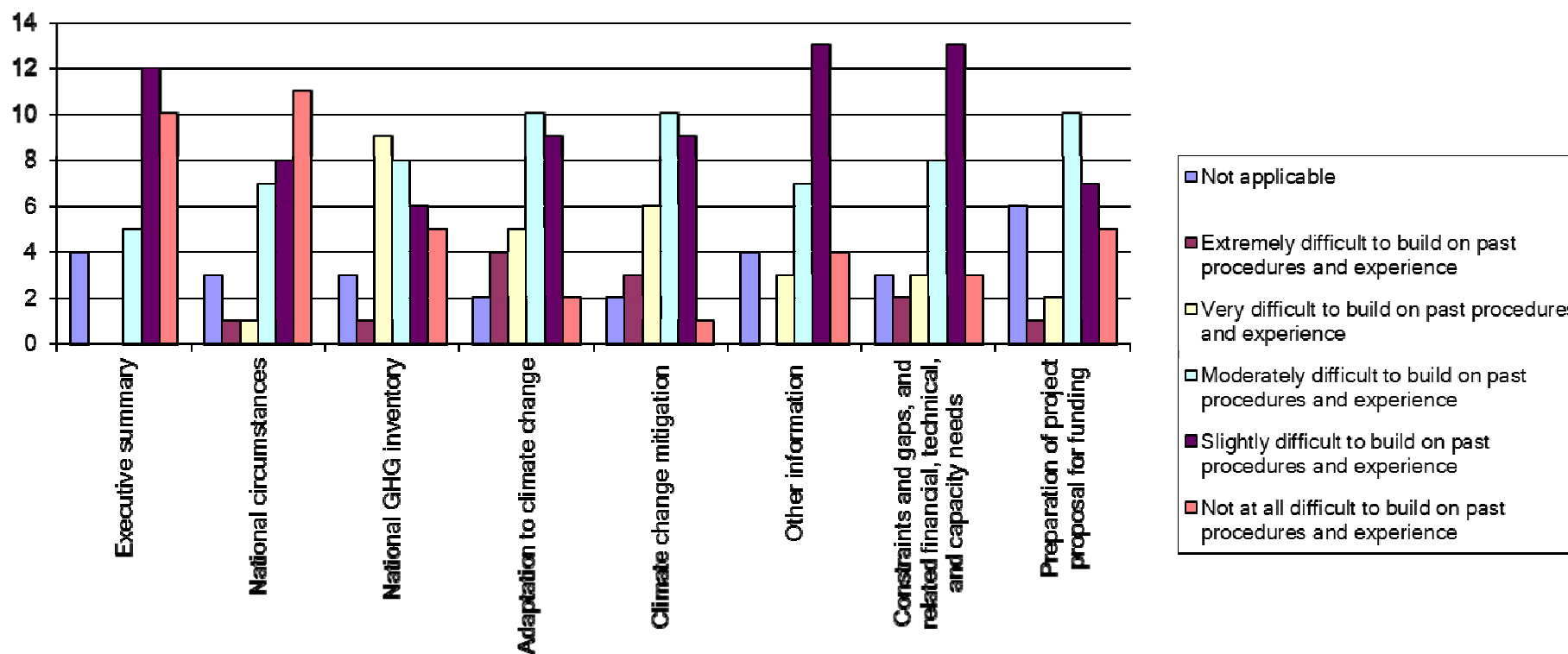
Region	Total number of states	Number of Responses Given:			Percentage of Respondents within Region
		Over 50% Response Rate	Over80% Response Rate	Number of Respondents to Survey 2	
African States	53	27	42	15	28.3%
Asian States	56	28	45	11	19.6%
Eastern European States	9	5	7	4	44.4%
Latin American and Caribbean States	33	17	26	9	27.3%
Western European States	2	1	2	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>25.5%</b>

- Feedback **87.2%** NAI Party Country and **12.8%** Multilateral or bilateral organizations
- **39 respondents from 25 countries** have responded to Survey 2 (as of 15 May 2011)
- **78.6%** in the process of preparing 2NC; **4.8%** preparing the INC and **14.3%** preparing 3NC.

# INSTITUTIONAL CONCERNS

## BUILDING ON PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Building on existing procedures and organizational experience from the sections or tasks related to the previous national communications

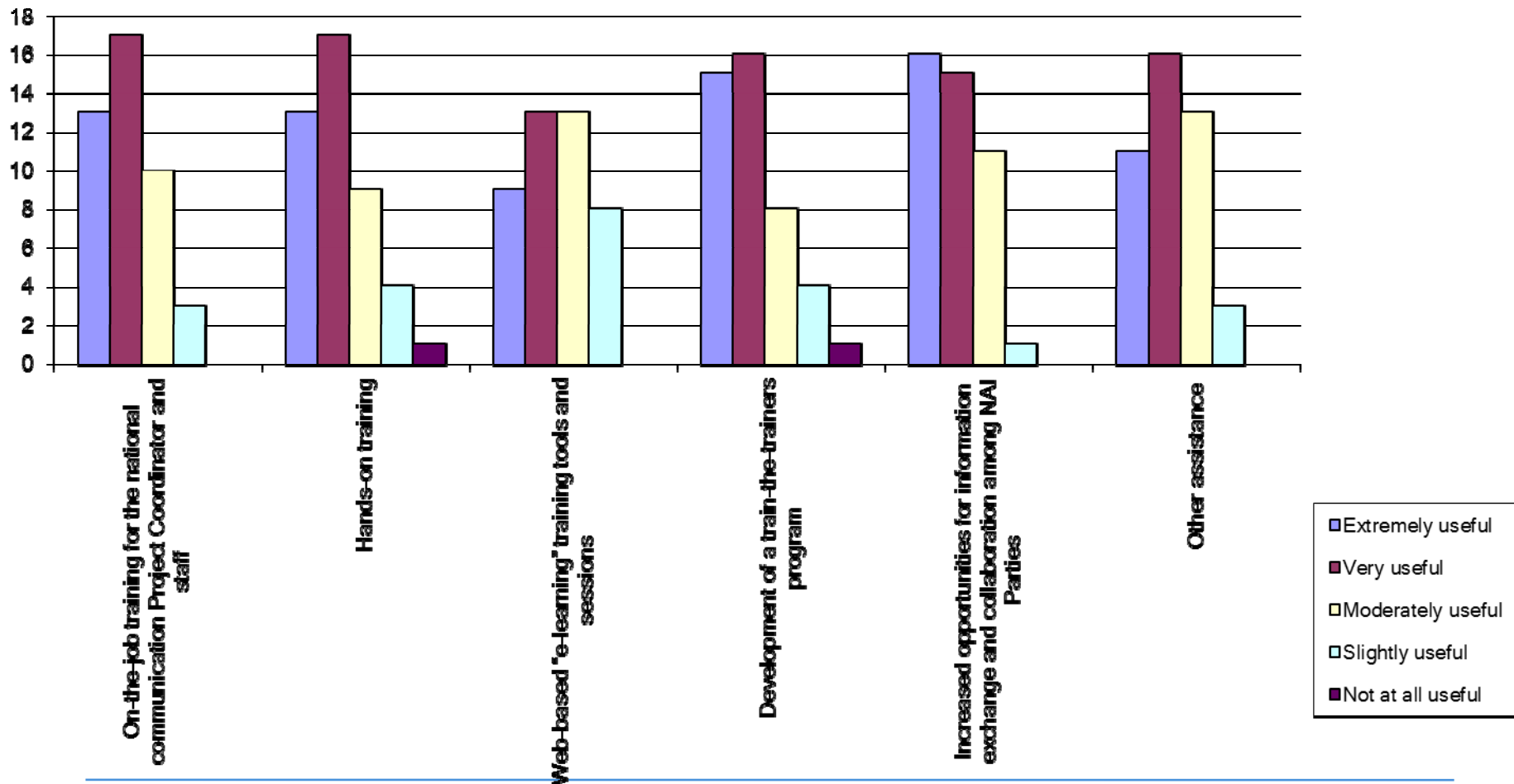


- **31.4%** of the respondents found it **moderately difficult** to build on their previous experience on working and reporting their national communication
- **17.1%** of the respondents had **no difficulties** on using their previous experience working on national communications.

# INSTITUTIONAL CONCERNS

## BUILDING ON PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Usefulness of types of helpful technical assistance and support



# INSTITUTIONAL CONCERNS

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## SUSTAINIBILITY OF NATIONAL TEAMS

### KEY CHALLENGES

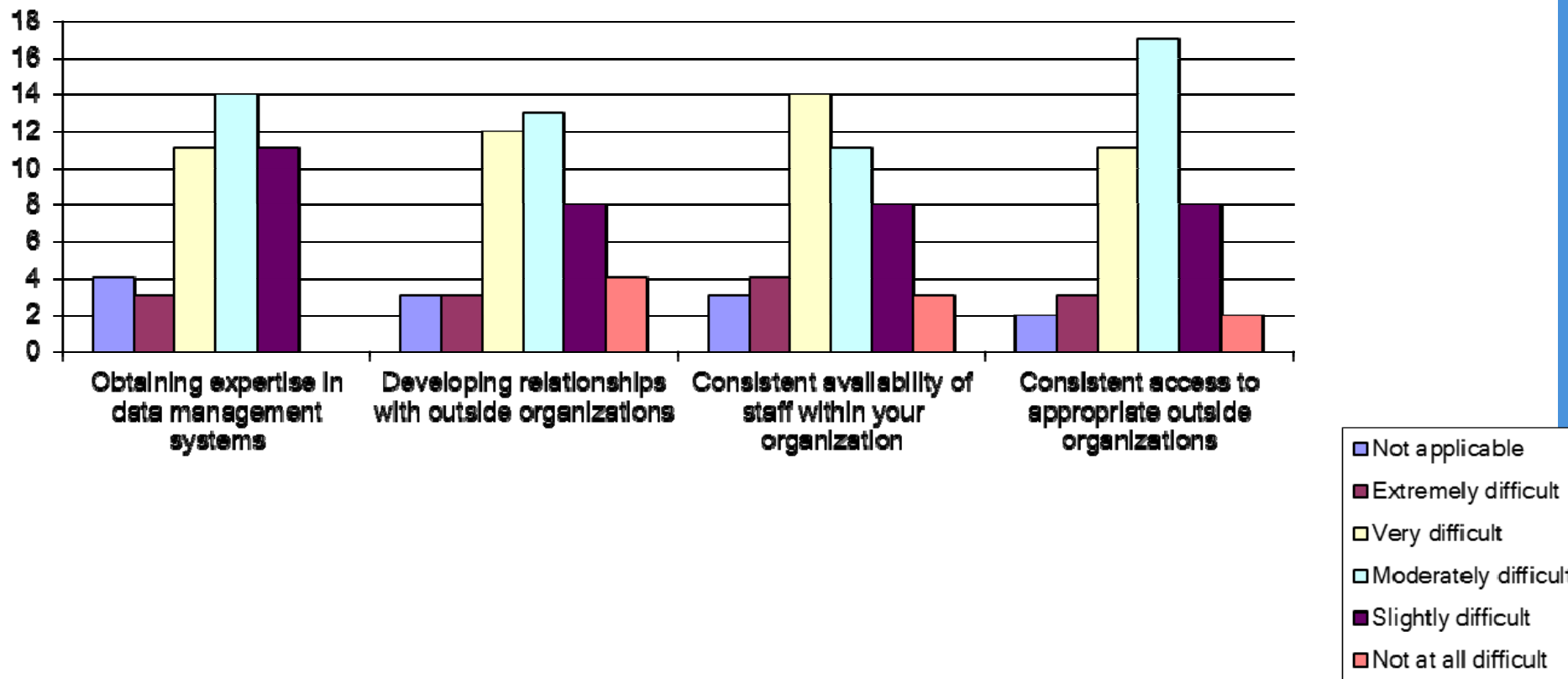
- **Coordination** of processes between different Ministries;
- Access to **activity data**;
- Changes in national administration structures;
- Staff involved in multiple tasks;
- Limited technical capacity;
- Difficult to maintain highly qualified staff due to insufficient incentives;
- **Teams disbanded** after concluding NC – limited long-term job opportunity.



# INSTITUTIONAL CONCERNS

## NATIONAL GHG INVENTORY

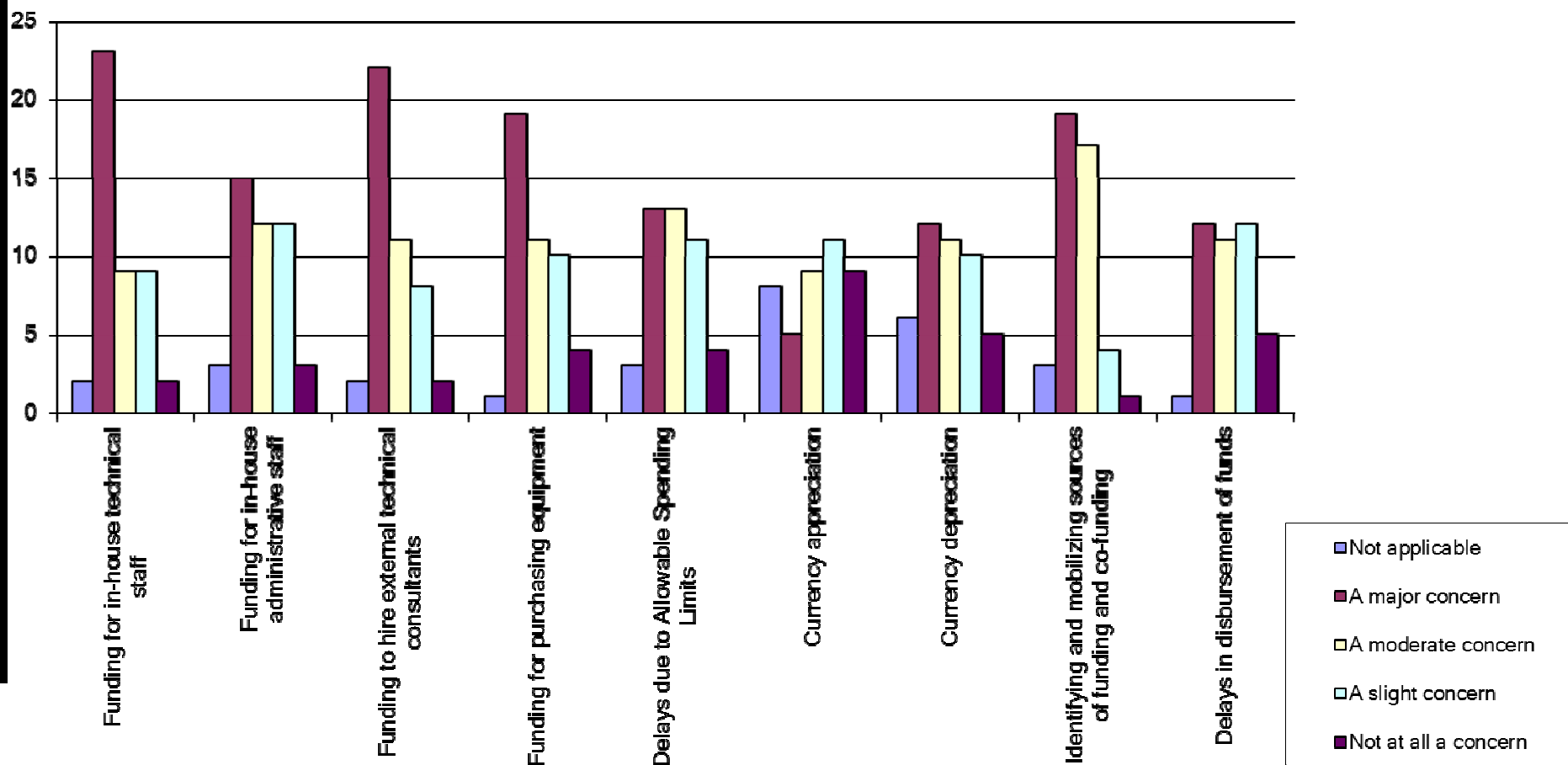
Difficulty/Ease in updating data and building on existing procedures and organizational experience in completing the National GHG Inventory section



# FINANCIAL CONCERNS

## OVERALL RESULTS

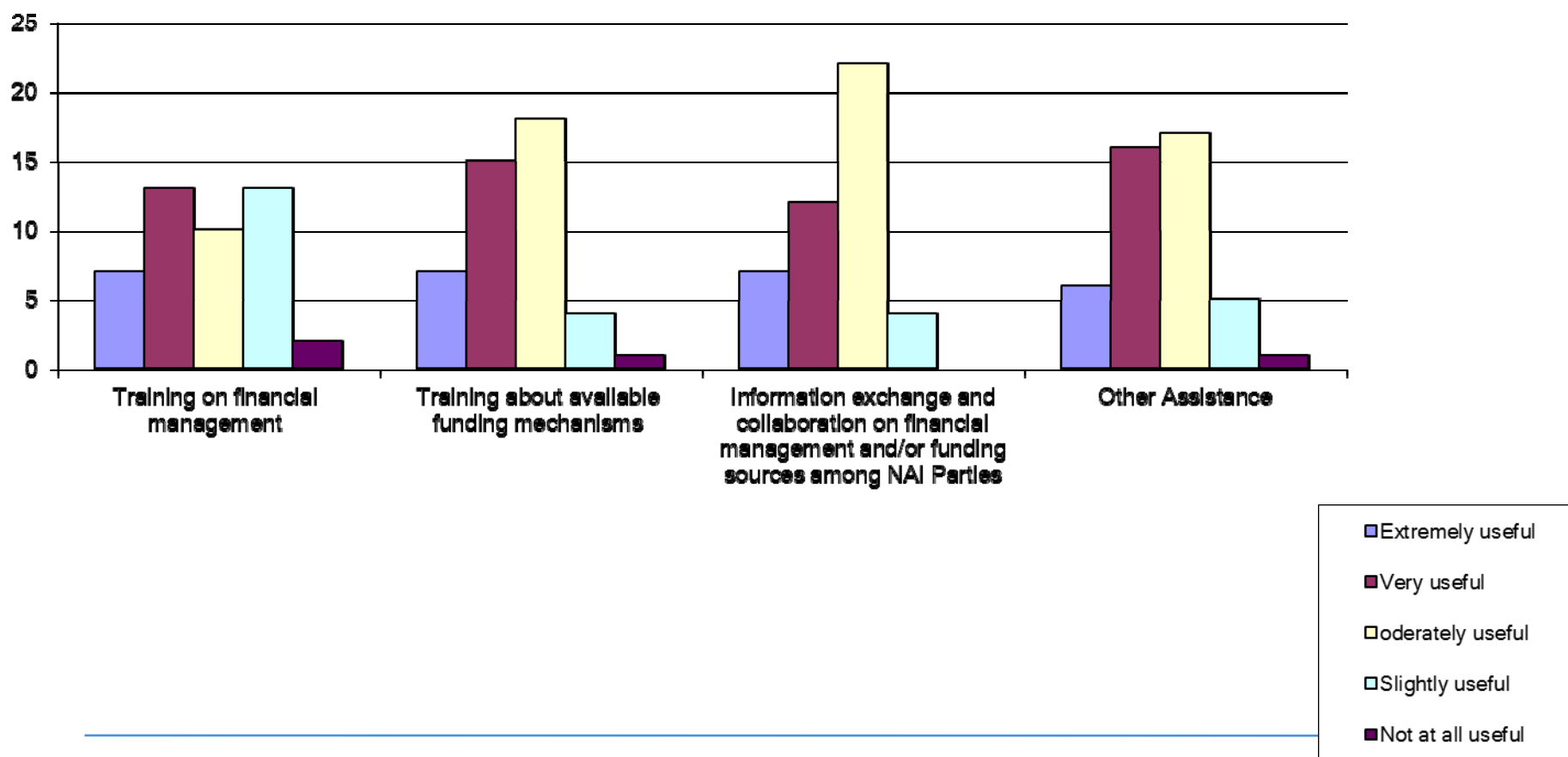
Potential financial difficulties constraining the ability to sustain the NC process and/or build and maintain the NC team



# FINANCIAL CONCERNS

## OVERALL RESULTS

Usefulness of technical assistance and support to address financial and funding concerns



# FINANCIAL CONCERNS

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## KEY CHALLENGES

• *Insufficient and inconsistent funding for in-house technical and administrative staff due to:*

- GEF allocation of funds without addressing specific needs and circumstances of countries;
- Co-funding;
- Delays in disbursement of funds from implementing agencies;
- Costs of international consultants;
- Economic climate;
- Government budget cuts;
- Exchange rate.



# GHG SOFTWARE

## OVERALL RESULTS

- Technical problems in using the software:
  - a) Problems with **macros**;
  - b) Problems with different language **versions**;
  - c) Lack of information technology **skills/knowledge** to use the software;
  - d) Lack of the necessary **understanding** of the Revised 1996 IPCC Guidelines for National GHG Gas Inventories;
- Using or implementing the latest IPCC guidelines and/or higher-tier methods that the current software does not support;
- Reliance on **consultants** to complete the GHG inventory.

## BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL AGENCIES

### SUPPORT TO NAI PARTIES

- **UNDP (Suriname; Montenegro; Bosnia and Herzegovina)** – Technical support, Administrative and/or institutional support & Financial advice;
- **Eduardo Mondlane University (Mozambique)** – National GHG Inventory with data compilation and processing;
- **Njuwe Consultants Limited (Zambia)** – Other information; Constraints and gaps, and related financial, technical, and capacity needs; Preparation of project proposal for funding.

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

- Agencies found it moderately difficult to provide technical assistance to NAI Parties especially in updating national GHG inventory;
- Funding needed for capability-building and climate change related technologies for a cross-section of stakeholders and institutions.



## CONCLUSION

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- Obtaining **sufficient and consistent funding** for maintaining the NC team was a major concern for Parties;
- Sustaining national teams require **regular funds** from GEF and other sources addressing specific needs of Party;
- The use of **GHG software** has been a problem for a number of Parties.
- *Results obtained used to contribute to technical advice to NAI Parties to facilitate the development and long term sustainability of processes, and establishment and maintenance of national technical teams contained in FCCC/SBI/2011/Add.2*