World Bank Group Submission of Views | National Adaptation Plans (SBI)

Request: Information from United Nations organizations, specialized agencies and other relevant organizations, as well as bilateral and multilateral agencies on how they have responded to the invitation to consider establishing or enhancing support programmes for the national adaptation plan process within their mandates, as appropriate, which could facilitate the provision of financial and technical support to developing country Parties that are not least developed countries. (FCCC/SBI/2013/L.10/Add.1, paragraph 5).

World Bank Group Response:

- While the World Bank Group has not directly supported countries to prepare the NAP as called for under the UNFCCC process, the World Bank Group works through its range of instruments (Country Partnership Processes, Development Policy Instruments, and Investment Loans) that have the potential to inform and feed into national adaptation plans. The World Bank's funding commitments for projects which generate adaptation co-benefits have increased from \$2.3 BN in 2011 to \$2.9 BN in 2013.
- Particularly relevant to the scope and content of the NAPs is the ongoing support by the MDBs to the
 eighteen countries under the CIF funded Pilot Program for Climate Resilience (PPCR) which seeks
 tomainstream climate resilience into national development planningprocesses and related programs and
 investments. Under this program, each country develops a Strategic Program for Climate Resilience a
 medium to long-term strategic approach to climate resilience which includes a pipeline of investments and
 coordination mechanisms at the national level to advance climate resilience (e.g. Nepal, Mozambique, and
 Niger).
- Beyond the least developed countries, the World Bank Group is engaged in longer-term adaptation planning through instruments such as development policy instruments which complements national adaptation processes (e.g. Morocco, Mexico, and Vietnam). From July 1, we will strengthen efforts to build resilience through the replenishment of International Development Association (IDA17) where we will integrate considerations of climate change and disaster risk into our upstream engagement with countries, screen all new IDA operations for short- and long-term climate change and disaster risks and implement multi-sectoral plans and investments for managing climate and disaster risk in development in at least 25 IDA countries where we're not already doing so.
- Useful lessons are being learnt across the PPCR and other programs on the use of concessional and nonconcessional funding for adaptation planning, the importance of robust data, information and climate
 services, and how to build resilience measures into mainstream sectors like agriculture, water, urban cities
 and disaster response. Important lessons relate to the critical role of continued support towards enhancing
 adaptive capacities of institutions, communities at both local and national levels.

Request: Information from Parties and relevant organizationson their experience with the application of the initial guidelines for the formulation of national adaptation plans, as well as any other information relevant to the formulation and implementation of the national adaptation plans. (FCCC/SBI/2013/L.10/Add.1, paragraph 6).

World Bank Group Response:

• The NAP Guidelines provide a very useful framework to identify the medium to long term adaptation needs of countries. We believe the technical guidelines which promote a flexible, non-prescriptive approach, coupled with guidance on some key steps that could help a country develop a roadmap grounded in its own realities resonates with the experience which has emerged from the PPCR as it seeks to mainstream climate resilience into core development planning. The NAP guidelines, and the growing body of experiences including those from PPCR, are well placed to inform the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans. We would be happy to share information on the lessons emerging from the PPCR as needed (highlighted in the response above).