United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

Module 5: Assessment of the NAPA

5. Progress on implementation, quality of the NAPA, and revision and update

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CASE STUDIES + REGIONAL INPUTS

Learning points:

- Understanding the status of implementation and quality of the NAPA;
- Understanding the steps and rationale for revision and update of NAPA.

Guiding questions:

 What are the key lessons learnt in the NAPA process?



Assessing the status of implementation of the NAPA

NAPA priorities being implemented (status, approaches, funding)

Existing plans for further/full implementation;

Priorities that have not been implemented at all;

Subsequent local and national plans that have integrated NAPA;

Barriers to implementation that were identified in the NAPA, and the ones emerging during implementation process: have they been addressed, and how;

Impact of adaptation measures resulting from the implementation of NAPA projects;

Capturing experiences, best practices and lessons learned and strategies for integrating them into future implementation;

Results from the assessment of the quality of the NAPA may also provide good information on the need to update and revise the NAPA.



Assessing the quality of the NAPA

Risks and vulnerabilities:

- How best the NAPA covers climate change threats for the country, regions, sectors and themes;
- Diversity and depth of vulnerability, impacts, and adaptation assessments;

Adaptation options/priorities:

- Robustness of methodologies and procedures for ranking, prioritization and costing of priorities;
- The costs of NAPA priorities, and information provided;

Implementation strategy:

 Presentation of a clear and elaborate implementation strategy;

NAPA in the development context:

- Relevance/synergy of NAPA to/with national development plans;
- Utility of NAPA in subsequent national development plans and processes.

Stakeholder engagement / inclusiveness

- Key sectors;
- Vulnerable groups;
- Etc.



Assessing the need for the revision and update of the NAPA

Steps for the revision and update of NAPA¹

1. Establishing the rationale

- Assess the need for the revision and update;
- Identify benchmarks and entry point

2. Performing the revision and update

- Reconvene multistakeholder steering group to lead the process;
- Revise risks, vulnerabilities, adaptation options, priorities, costs, etc...

3. National endorsement & submission

- Endorsement by the Government, or national committee;
- Submission of revision to UNFCCC Secretariat

4. Post processing of the revision

- Update of the priorities on databases;
- Sharing of the NAPA to interested partners as appropriate (e.g. the GEF).

¹ LEG technical paper 2009, available at http://unfccc.int/resource/docs/publications/ldc_tp2009.pdf. or Step-by-Step Guide, available at http://unfccc.int/essential_background/library/items/3599.php?such=j&symbol=FCCC/GEN/250%20E#beg.



Assessing the need for the revision and update of the NAPA

Establishing the rationale for revision and update of NAPA - the need for the update and revision could arise from:

- Emergence of new risks and vulnerabilities, that have become evident since development of NAPA;
- Emergence of new information, scientific data or knowledge that changes the order of priorities;
- Some of the stated **priorities would have been implemented** through bilateral or other sources of funding;
- Including changes in costs of projects, or additional information;
- The need to address **new information requirements** to satisfy new project development guidelines and requirements;
- Incorporating lessons learned from the implementation of the NAPA



Assessing the need for the revision and update of the NAPA

Additional aspects:

- a) Revisions limited to project costs can be undertaken during project development;
- b) More comprehensive revisions to the NAPA can help accommodate:
 - Programmatic approaches to implementation;
 - Strengthening gender considerations and considerations regarding vulnerable communities;
- c) There may be a costs in revising the NAPA:
 - Costs for revising the NAPA could be integrated in a current project development phase (vulnerability studies) or project implementation (institutional reforms)
- d) Opportunity to Integrate medium and long-term adaptation, and link to the NAP process;



Experiences from other LDCs on the revision and update of the NAPA

Bhutan:

During the vulnerability assessment in preparation of Bhutan's Second National Communication, new climate hazards previously not considered a threat were found to be reported in increasing numbers through official disaster reports and media stories. Based on this new information, Bhutan felt a revision of its NAPA was warranted and initiated the process for the review and revision of the NAPA.

