

LDC Group Intervention

GST Technical Dialogue, Roundtable 4: Integrated and holistic approaches

15:00h - 18:00h, 10 Jun. 2023 | Chamber Hall

1. Co-Facilitator and distinguish delegates,
2. We extend our gratitude to all Parties and observers at this final round of the Global Stocktake Roundtable on Integrated and holistic approaches.
3. Climate action must consider the full spectrum of challenges posed by threats to the climate, including but not limited to safeguarding the right to health, respecting the rights of indigenous peoples, local communities, children, persons with disabilities, and all individuals in vulnerable situations. Climate action should strive to promote gender sensitivity, empower youth and underrepresented communities, and adhere to principles of intergenerational equity.
4. By incorporating these considerations, climate action can effectively ensure the well-being and protection of vulnerable groups. It is also essential to incorporate perspectives of various actors, traditional knowledge, and practices, while engaging stakeholders' participation in decision-making processes. We deeply appreciate the active participation of diverse observer constituencies in these discussions.
5. Many LDCs have placed significant importance on integrating the conservation and restoration of ecosystems and biodiversity within our climate action strategies. This also recognize the need for synergy with international agreements like the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), understanding the interdependence between climate change and biodiversity loss and striving for actions that mutually support these objectives.
6. To address these challenges effectively, countries are adopting comprehensive approaches that tackle both climate change and biodiversity conservation simultaneously that can contribute to mitigation, adaptation and addressing loss and damage, while simultaneously preserving biodiversity and fostering sustainable livelihoods.
7. With regards to the scenarios of temporary overshoot, we believe that it is imperative to address the issue of limiting global temperature increase to 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels. While this remains a crucial goal for the international community, LDCs acknowledge the need for pragmatic planning to address scenarios of temporary overshoot.
8. We recognize the inherent risks that come with overshooting the 1.5 °C target. Such overshoots can have severe consequences for vulnerable communities, ecosystems, and

the overall well-being of people and the planet. However, the reality is that achieving immediate and widespread emission reductions to stay strictly within the 1.5 °C limit may be challenging, especially for countries with limited resources and capacity.

9. We call for pragmatic planning that considers potential temporary overshoot scenarios. This approach recognizes that LDCs face unique challenges, including limited access to clean energy, financial resources, and technology. By planning pragmatically for temporary overshoot scenarios, we seek to ensure that necessary measures are in place to minimize the associated risks and impacts. This includes enhancing adaptive capacities, investing in climate resilience, and mobilizing international support to mitigate the consequences of overshoot for vulnerable populations.
10. We would like to register the importance of mobilization of support targeting those who need the most in our communities to engage effectively in implementing climate action.
11. A holistic approach is a just approach. Therefore, we cannot end this intervention without emphasizing the urgency and importance of addressing loss and damage, for which the Loss and Damage fund that was agreed in Sharm-el Sheikh, which embodies the international community's efforts towards having a full-spectrum approach.