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Gaps and needs related to NAPs

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Mandate

- COP 24 requested the LEG and AC, to consider gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs that have been identified through relevant work of the LEG and the AC and how to address them and include relevant information thereon in their respective reports for COP 25 (decision 8/CP.24, paragraphs 17 and 18)
- COP 25 requested the LEG and the AC to continue to include in their reports information on gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs identified in undertaking its mandated work and on how to address them
- COP 27 to continue to identify the priority gaps and needs of developing countries related to the formulation and implementation of NAPs
- COP 27 invited the AC and the LEG to continue formulating recommendations on ways to facilitate the mobilization of support for the formulation and implementation of NAPs and to submit the recommendations to the Standing Committee on Finance for consideration

Collection (progress, experience, gaps and needs, challenges, obstacles, solutions, etc.)

- **NAP country dialogues** (with each LDC, virtually throughout the year, and in person and all LEG events and at SB/COP sessions)
- Interaction with LDCs at each **LEG meeting** (invitations to LDC Group Chair) to communicate latest priorities and needs for support
- **Review of the NAPs** and relevant documents of the LDCs
- **Online questionnaire on NAPs**
- **Dialogues** with and inputs from the AF, GCF, GEF and respective agencies / delivery partners; and other relevant organizations – at LEG meetings and electronically – both on gaps and needs, and how they are addressing them
- **NAP writing workshops, NAP Expos** and **side events** at SBs to capture written inputs from the LDCs on their progress, priority gaps and needs, obstacles and challenges in formulating and implementing NAPs.

Synthesis of the gaps and needs

- Application of the PEG M&E tool to identify progress effectiveness and gaps;
- Triangulation with the objectives and goals of the Convention and the Paris Agreement, COP NAP guidelines, guiding principles;
- Pairing with the latest science and knowledge to ensure appropriate framing;
- Identification of how the gaps and needs are or would be addressed, through the work of the LEG, the NAP technical working group, other constituted bodies, relevant organizations, etc.;
- Peer review of final compilation of gaps and needs with the LDCs and all other relevant organizations.

Gaps and needs related to NAPs



- Compiling the gaps and needs of the LDCs related to the process to formulate and implement NAPs and the needs related to adaptation arising from the Paris Agreement, as presented in past reports of the LEG and the AC. This policy brief presents the compilation, which was also reported in the LEG 35 report to the SBI (document [FCCC/SBI/2019/5, annex II](https://unfccc.int/node/210550)).
- Identifying how the gaps and needs are being addressed through the ongoing work of the LEG, the AC and relevant bodies and organizations. An updated record of this analysis is available at <https://unfccc.int/node/210550>.
- Including relevant activities in the LEG work programme to address related gaps and needs.
- The LEG agreed to collect information on gaps and needs at the individual country level through the Open NAP initiative, the NAP country dialogues and the support of the NAP technical working group (see document [FCCC/SBI/2020/14, Annex II](https://unfccc.int/node/210550)).



Areas of gaps and needs

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Accessing financial and other support

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Institutional arrangements and coordination

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Climate scenarios, science and translation to local context

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Risk and vulnerability assessment and risk management

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Implementation strategies

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Access to and use of technology

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Monitoring, evaluation and learning

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Linkage with the development agenda

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Active learning from practice

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Guiding principles

Accessing financial and other support

- Adequate and effective access to financial support, including from the GCF, as well as other forms of support for the formulation and implementation of NAPs
- Capacity to write proposals for accessing funding under the different windows of the GCF
- Understanding of the latest requirements for GCF funding proposals
- Promotion of funding proposals from multiple stakeholders, including those at the subnational and local government level
- Capacity to ensure that proposals to the GCF for the formulation of NAPs are aligned with the technical guidelines for the formulation and implementation of NAPs, and address both the objectives and guiding principles of the process to formulate and implement NAPs
- Coordination among providers of support at all levels to ensure that their support is coherent and avoids overlaps at the national level and that such support is in line with national priorities and needs
- Systems for ensuring that countries' support needs for a long-term process are met through limited, one-off funding designed for projects over a fixed time frame
- Technical capacity to develop proposals to access funding from the GCF and other sources
- Difficulty in locking in delivery partner(s), agency(ies) or designated authority(ies) to support project development

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Important links

- NAP negotiations page – <http://unfccc.int/node/698>
- NAP Central – <https://napcentral.org>
- LEG – <http://unfccc.int/LEG>



For item 3: Addressing the gaps and needs

- Applying the gaps and needs in framing the LEG work programme and that of the NAP technical working group (for those needs that can be addressed by the LEG);
- Communicating the gaps and needs through the LEG reports and other multiple channels to the SBI/COP/CMA;
- Communication the gaps and needs to AF, GCF, GEF and relevant organizations regularly throughout the year – at LEG meetings and events, targeted dialogues, etc.;
- Applying the gaps and needs in designing the themes, objectives and approach for NAP Expo, NAP workshops, LEG side events, etc.;
- The LEG uses the gaps and needs and other existing information to inform the input to the SCF as further mandated in para 5 of the same decision 9/CP.27.