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Matters relating to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement

Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3

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Draft conclusions proposed by the Chair

1. The Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice (SBSTA) agreed¹ to forward information on the progress and outcomes of the work programme under the framework for non-market approaches (NMAs) referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3 to the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) as a report of the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches (GCNMA), which is contained in paragraphs 2–5 below.

2. The SBSTA convened GCNMA 6 in accordance with decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 5, and continued the first phase² of implementing the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, chapter V.

3. The SBSTA welcomed:

(a) The expedited and simple assessment of the progress and outcomes of the first phase of implementing the work programme activities at GCNMA 6, with a view to improving and recommending the schedule for implementing the work programme activities for the second phase;³

(b) The constructive use of a spin-off group at GCNMA 6 for discussing the progress and outcomes of the first phase of implementing the work programme activities, and improving and recommending the schedule for implementing the activities for the second phase on the basis of views and information submitted by Parties and observers;⁴

(c) The broad participation of Parties, relevant bodies, representatives of institutional arrangements and processes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement, and observers, including through the delivery of seven presentations, a World Café and a round-table discussion, at the in-session workshop held in conjunction with GCNMA 6⁵ with the aim of sharing information on current or planned NMAs and providing information on financial, technology and capacity-building support available or provided for identifying, developing or implementing NMAs for recording on the NMA Platform⁶, thereby contributing to the implementation of the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(ii);

(d) The continued progress in operationalizing the NMA Platform for recording and exchanging information on NMAs, which contributed to the implementation of the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(i).

4. The SBSTA took note of:

¹ Pursuant to decision 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 9.

² See decision 8/CMA.4, para. 3(a).

³ Undertaken in accordance with decision 8/CMA.4, para. 4.

⁴ See document FCCC/SBSTA/2024/7, para. 159. The submissions are available at <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx> (in the search field, type “Article 6.8”, and select “2024”).

⁵ Organized in accordance with decision 8/CMA.4, para. 10(a), and document FCCC/SBSTA/2024/7, para. 160(b).

⁶ Available at <https://unfccc.int/nma-platform>. Previously referred to as the UNFCCC web-based platform; see decision 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 8(b)(i).

(a) The report by the secretariat on the in-session workshop held in conjunction with GCNMA 5,⁷ which contributed to the implementation of the work programme activities referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 8(b)(ii);

(b) The information provided to the NMA Platform since its operationalization in May 2024 on financial, technology and capacity-building support available or provided for identifying, developing or implementing NMAs;⁸

(c) The lack of NMAs submitted by Parties to the NMA Platform;⁹

(d) The updates provided by the secretariat¹⁰ at GCNMA 6 in relation to the NMA Platform, including on:

(i) The development of the discussion forum;

(ii) Activities aimed at building the capacity of Parties to record and exchange information on NMAs on the NMA Platform;¹¹

(iii) The receipt of 78 nominations for national focal points for Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement as at 13 November 2024;

(e) The updates provided by the secretariat at GCNMA 6 on the broader capacity-building programme related to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement activities related to the work programme under the framework for NMAs;¹²

(f) Parties' views on:

(i) The in-session workshop referred to in paragraph 3(c) above, including the benefits of an interactive World Café in facilitating engagement with presenters on experiences related to NMAs;

(ii) The value of submitting information on NMAs for recording on the NMA Platform in terms of identifying best practices and lessons learned and enabling further sharing of experiences and information;

(iii) The merits of using spin-off groups, such as the group referred to in paragraph 3(b) above, on an as-needed basis, to work through topics in detail and help reach a shared understanding among Parties;

(g) The importance of the capacity-building programme referred to in decision 8/CMA.4, paragraph 21, for supporting the identification, development and implementation of non-market approaches.

5. The SBSTA recommended a draft decision on this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement at its sixth session (for the text of the draft decision, see document FCCC/SBSTA/2024/L.X/Add.1).

⁷ FCCC/SBSTA/2024/9.

⁸ As per decision 8/CMA.4, para. 8.

⁹ See decision 17/CMA.5, para. 7.

¹⁰ As per decision 8/CMA.4, para. 12.

¹¹ See decision 17/CMA.5, para. 17(d).

¹² Pursuant to decision 8/CMA.4, para. 21.

Draft decision -/CMA.6

Work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement,

Recalling decisions 4/CMA.3, 8/CMA.4 and 17/CMA.5 and the Paris Agreement,

Noting with appreciation the contributions received from Parties and observers in support of implementing the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 9, of the Paris Agreement,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches,¹³ which includes information on progress in implementing the work programme under the framework for non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement and in decision 4/CMA.3;
2. *Recalls* that the reports of the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches will serve as inputs to the review of the work programme at CMA 7 (November 2025);¹⁴
3. *Notes* with appreciation the progress in the development of non-market approaches referred to in Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement;
4. *Recalls* its request¹⁵ to the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches to undertake, at its sixth meeting, an expedited and simple assessment of the progress and outcomes of the first phase (2023–2024) of implementing the work programme activities¹⁶ referred to in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, chapter V, with a view to improving and recommending the schedule for implementing the work programme activities for the second phase (2025–2026);¹⁷

I. First phase of implementing the work programme activities

5. *Welcomes* the expedited and simple assessment of the first phase of implementing the work programme activities undertaken by the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches at its sixth meeting;¹⁸
6. *Notes* that, in the first phase, Parties have identified and framed all relevant elements of the work programme activities, and the secretariat has developed the NMA Platform¹⁹ and an associated user manual;
7. *Recognizes* the lack of non-market approaches recorded by Parties on the NMA Platform, given that it is newly established and will continue to grow over time;

¹³ Contained in document FCCC/SBSTA/2024/L.X, paras. 2–5.

¹⁴ Pursuant to decision 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 9.

¹⁵ Decision 8/CMA.4, para. 4.

¹⁶ See decision 8/CMA.4, para. 3(a).

¹⁷ See decision 8/CMA.4, para. 3(b).

¹⁸ Undertaken in accordance with decision 8/CMA.4, para. 4.

¹⁹ Available at <https://unfccc.int/nma-platform>. Previously referred to as the UNFCCC web-based platform; see decision 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 8(b)(i).

8. *Acknowledges* the use of work programme modalities²⁰ during the first phase as a starting point for identifying existing non-market approaches under the framework, and for identifying and sharing information, best practices, lessons learned and case studies in relation to developing and implementing non-market approaches, including:

- (a) In-session workshops;
- (b) Spin-off groups, which enabled interested Parties to discuss specific topics in more detail;
- (c) Five calls for intersessional submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders;
- (d) Two synthesis reports;²¹
- (e) One technical paper;²²

9. *Recognizes* that activities aimed at identifying initiatives, programmes and projects for facilitating non-market approaches that support the implementation of NDCs to allow for higher mitigation and adaptation ambition in NDCs were limited in scope;

10. *Requests* the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches to undertake a quantitative assessment of the first phase;

II. Second phase of implementing the work programme activities

11. *Acknowledges* the need to continue working on non-market approaches in the context of all relevant elements of the work programme activities;

12. *Recalls* that the second phase of implementing the work programme activities will focus on fully implementing the activities following a learning-by-doing approach and drawing on inputs from the first phase;²³

13. *Also recalls* the scope of non-market approaches under the framework, as set out in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, chapter II;

14. *Further recalls* that each non-market approach facilitated under the framework should be conducted in a manner that respects, promotes and considers respective obligations of Parties on human rights, the right to health, the rights of Indigenous Peoples, local communities, migrants, children, persons with disabilities and people in vulnerable situations and the right to development, as well as gender equality, empowerment of women and intergenerational equity, consistently with the eleventh preambular paragraph of the Paris Agreement;²⁴

15. [*Recognizes* the importance of developing and implementing joint mitigation and adaptation approaches under the framework for non-market approaches, such as “Mother Earth Centric Actions” to link climate change to biodiversity conservation and sustainable development, considering the benefits that may rise from such approaches, including] [*Agrees* to include a new focus area in the work programme under the framework for non-market approaches, titled “Mother Earth Centric Actions”, as a joint approach to address mitigation and adaptation to climate change, biodiversity conservation, and sustainable development, by considering]:

- (a) [Developing and implementing joint mitigation and adaptation approaches, linking climate change to biodiversity and sustainable development;]

²⁰ As per decisions 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 7; and 8/CMA.4, para. 17.

²¹ FCCC/SBSTA/2023/6 and FCCC/SBSTA/2024/6.

²² <https://unfccc.int/documents/614162>.

²³ Decision 8/CMA.4, para. 3(b).

²⁴ Decision 4/CMA.3, annex, para. 3(e).

(b) Enhancing the rights of nature and the rights of Mother Earth for those countries that recognize them;

(c) Ensuring the integrity of all ecosystems and the protection of biodiversity when taking action to address climate change;

(d) Enhancing different value systems, including for living well in balance and harmony with Mother Earth in the context of addressing the climate crisis;

(e) [Enhancing the Indigenous Peoples' rights and collective action, as well as the rights and collective action of local communities, Afro descent peoples, peasants and social organizations to address climate change in the context of sustainable development and poverty eradication;]

16. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Scientific and Technological Advice and the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to make the necessary arrangements for the establishment of a joint work programme on non-market approaches between the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Convention on Biological Diversity, to focus on "Mother Earth Centric Actions – joint approach for climate change, biodiversity and sustainable development";

17. *Also requests* the Green Climate Fund and its Board and the Global Environmental Facility and its Council to consider how to integrate Mother Earth Centric Actions in their allocations and programming directions and actions;

18. *Further requests* the secretariat to make the necessary arrangements with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change secretariat (co-sponsored with the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services) to develop an expert meeting and a technical paper on "Mother Earth centric actions" and its potential to address jointly climate change, biodiversity and sustainable development to inform at the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change at its thirtieth session and the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity at its seventeenth;

19. *Encourages*, with regard to spin-off groups:

(a) A continuous focus on knowledge-sharing pertaining to the implementation of non-market approaches and support provided;

(b) Broader participation, including of public and private sector stakeholders such as international organizations, technical experts, businesses, civil society organizations, Indigenous Peoples organizations and financial institutions;

(c) Timely delivery of invitations to give recipients sufficient notice of events;

(d) The identification of topics in advance by the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches, including:

(i) An emphasis on a wide variety of ecosystems;

(ii) Non-market approaches for the bulk purchase and distribution of renewable energy technologies;

(iii) Green Infrastructure and conservation programmes that support mitigation, adaptation and resilience;

20. *Requests* the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches to continue inviting representatives of the Local Communities and Indigenous Peoples Platform to each in-session workshop,²⁵ and to be inclusive of other Indigenous and local community representatives;

²⁵ See decision 8/CMA.4, para. 10(a).

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21. *Also requests* the secretariat to continuously enhance the in-session workshops referred to in paragraph 20 above, including by trialling diverse modalities such as World Cafés;
22. *Further requests* the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches to develop quantitative methods for assessing whether the work programme is effectively supported developing countries in implementing non-market approaches in support of their NDCs, as well as systematic practices and methodologies for analyzing what constitutes a successful non-market approach;
23. *Encourages* the Glasgow Committee on Non-market Approaches to ensure that the framework and work programme complement and add value to work under other UNFCCC work programmes, committees and partnerships, as well as of UNFCCC constituted bodies and the operating entities of the Financial Mechanism, while avoiding duplication of work;
24. *Also encourages* the secretariat to strengthen its outreach efforts with a view to engaging with a broader range of non-Party stakeholders, thereby enhancing the implementation of non-market approaches and supporting Parties' efforts to raise the ambition of their NDCs;
25. *Requests* the secretariat to organize a virtual intersessional workshop to be conducted prior to SBSTA 62 (June 2025) with a view to holding in-depth discussions on the implementation of the work programme activities, aimed at, inter alia, exploring options for matching the financial needs of developing countries with support provided by developed countries;

III. NMA Platform

26. *Welcomes* the operationalization of the NMA Platform;
27. *Reiterates* its invitation²⁶ to interested Parties, relevant bodies and representatives of institutional arrangements and processes under the Convention and the Paris Agreement related to, inter alia, mitigation, adaptation, finance, technology development and transfer, and capacity-building, including United Nations bodies, multilateral, bilateral and other public donors, and private and non-governmental organizations, to provide information on financial, technology and capacity-building support available or provided for identifying, developing or implementing non-market approaches for recording on the NMA Platform;
28. *Recognizes* the information thereon provided by **eight** such Parties, bodies and representatives as at **13** November 2024;²⁷
29. *Encourages* interested Parties to showcase examples of non-market approaches by recording them on the NMA Platform;²⁸
30. *Requests* the secretariat to work on updating the NMA Platform for registration of individual non-market approaches to support the full utilization of the platform and generate support for traditional synergistic initiatives;
31. *Acknowledges* that, as at **13** November 2024, **78** Parties had notified the secretariat of their national focal points for Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement;²⁹
32. *Reiterates* its invitation³⁰ to interested Parties to notify the secretariat of their national focal points for Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement to enable them to access the NMA Platform;

²⁶ Contained in decision 8/CMA.4, para. 8.

²⁷ Pursuant to decision 8/CMA.4, para. 8.

²⁸ Pursuant to decision 17/CMA.5, para. 7.

²⁹ In accordance with decision 17/CMA.5, para. 5. A list is available at <https://unfccc.int/process-and-meetings/the-paris-agreement/nma-platform/list-of-NFPs-A6-8>.

³⁰ Decision 17/CMA.5, para. 5.

33. *Requests* the secretariat to launch a survey for national focal points to share their barriers to using the NMA Platform, to enabling it to reach its full potential;

34. *Also requests* the secretariat to clearly state the scope of non-market approaches under the framework³¹ on the NMA Platform and in all written materials on the subject to manage expectations for Parties and non-Party stakeholders and facilitate mutually beneficial discussions;

IV. Capacity-building

35. *Welcomes* the capacity-building activities undertaken thus far by the secretariat on Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement;³²

36. *Acknowledges* that non-market approaches are not well known amongst stakeholders and *requests* the secretariat to include, as part of its broader capacity-building programme related to Article 6 of the Paris Agreement, activities related to the work programme under the framework for non-market approaches;³³

37. *Requests* the secretariat to prioritize capacity-building for national focal points for Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement in the second phase of implementing the work programme activities, including through a questionnaire to measure their understanding of non-market approaches;

V. Other matters

38. *Takes note* of the estimated budgetary implications of the activities to be undertaken by the secretariat referred to in this decision;

39. *Requests* that the actions of the secretariat called for in this decision be undertaken subject to the availability of financial resources.

³¹ As set out in decision 4/CMA.3, annex, chap. II.

³² See document FCCC/SBSTA/2024/L.XX, paras. 4(d)(ii) and 4(e).

³³ Pursuant to decision 8/CMA.4, para. 21, and reiterated in decision 17/CMA.5, para. 17.