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Reporting and review pursuant to Article 13 of the Paris Agreement: provision of financial and technical support to developing country Parties for reporting and capacity-building

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1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the information provided by the Global Environment Facility in its reports to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session¹ and SBI 61² on financial support requested, approved and provided for the preparation of biennial transparency reports by developing country Parties, including support provided through the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency Global Support Programme.
2. The SBI also welcomed that developing country Parties continue to be supported, upon their request, under the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency in building their institutional and technical capacity for implementing the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement.
3. The SBI expressed appreciation to the secretariat for successfully implementing in 2024 the mandates contained in paragraphs 13–16 of decision 18/CMA.5.³
4. The SBI welcomed the summary report⁴ on the facilitative dialogue held at SB 60 for sharing experience in gathering, analysing and managing data for climate reporting.
5. The SBI underscored the importance of the availability of financial resources for the secretariat to undertake the activities set out in table 4 of decision 19/CP.28 for supporting developing country Parties in implementing the enhanced transparency framework.
6. The SBI also underscored the importance of the provision of adequate and timely financial and technical support to developing country Parties for preparing biennial transparency reports and for building and enhancing their institutional and technical capacity and national reporting systems on a continuous basis for implementing the enhanced transparency framework.
7. The SBI, recalling paragraph 20 of decision 18/CMA.5, noted that there are additional relevant activities planned for 2025⁵ and agreed to continue consideration of this matter at SBI 62 (June 2025).

Option 2: Proposal by a group of Parties

SBI conclusions

1. The Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) welcomed the information provided by the Global Environment Facility in its report to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session⁶ on financial support requested, approved and provided for the preparation of biennial transparency reports by developing country Parties, including support provided through the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency Global Support Programme. The

¹ FCCC/CP/2024/8 and Add.1.

² Available at <https://unfccc.int/documents/643034>.

³ See https://unfccc.int/ETF_online_workshops_2024, <https://unfccc.int/event/in-person-workshop-on-support-available-to-developing-country-parties-for-preparing-their-biennial> and <https://unfccc.int/event/in-session-facilitative-dialogue-on-sharing-of-experience-in-gathering-analyzing-and-managing-data>.

⁴ FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/4.

⁵ Referred to in decision 18/CMA.5, paras. 17–19.

⁶ FCCC/CP/2024/8 and Add.1.

SBI also welcomed that developing country Parties continue to be supported, upon their request, under the Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency in building their institutional and technical capacity for implementing the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement, and emphasized the importance of the continued provision of support for building the transparency-related capacity of developing country Parties on a continuous basis.

2. The SBI expressed appreciation to the secretariat for successfully implementing in 2024 the mandates contained in paragraphs 13–16 of decision 18/CMA.5.

3. The SBI welcomed the summary report⁷ on the facilitative dialogue held at SB 60 for sharing experience in gathering, analysing and managing data for climate reporting.

4. The SBI underscored the importance of the availability of financial resources for the secretariat to provide support to developing country Parties for implementing the enhanced transparency framework, including in response to the mandates in paragraphs 14–16 of decision 5/CMA.3.

5. The SBI also underscored the importance of the provision of adequate and timely financial and technical support to developing country Parties for preparing biennial transparency reports and for building and enhancing their institutional and technical capacity and national reporting systems on a continuous basis for implementing the enhanced transparency framework.

6. The SBI, recalling paragraphs 17–20 of decision 18/CMA.5, in particular the invitation to Parties to submit via the submission portal⁸ by 31 March 2025 information on experience and challenges in implementing Article 13 of the Paris Agreement, including in relation to establishing or enhancing their institutional capacity and national reporting systems.

7. The SBI agreed to continue consideration of this matter at SBI 62 (June 2025).

Draft CMA decision under option 2

Reporting and review pursuant to Article 13 of the Paris Agreement: provision of financial and technical support to developing country Parties for reporting and capacity-building

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

Recalling Article 13 of the Paris agreement, in particular paragraphs 3, 14 and 15,

Also recalling decisions 18/CMA.1, 5/CMA.3, 17/CMA.4 and 18/CMA.5,

Emphasizing that the development and improvement of sustainable institutional capacity, including enhanced reporting systems of developing country Parties, are crucial to the full implementation of the enhanced transparency framework under the Paris Agreement,

1. *Acknowledges* that developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, continue to face challenges in implementing the enhanced transparency framework and *affirms* that they require additional financial, technical and capacity-building support to enhance their domestic capacity for and ensure continuity in meeting their reporting requirements, including for establishing and enhancing the required national reporting systems within their respective national Governments and other national institutions;

2. *Underscores* the need to scale up the financial, technical and capacity-building support available to developing country Parties through bilateral, multilateral and other

⁷ FCCC/PA/CMA/2024/4.

⁸ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/submissionsstaging/Pages/Home.aspx>.

channels to enhance their capacity to address the challenges referred to in paragraph 1 above and ensure their effective participation under the enhanced transparency framework;

3. *Welcomes* the launch of the Baku Global Climate Transparency Platform⁹ by the COP 29 Presidency, supported by the secretariat, to facilitate effective implementation of the enhanced transparency framework, including through provision of targeted capacity-building to developing country Parties, and capacity-building for experts to ensure their active participation in the technical expert review of BTRs process;

4. *Also welcomes* the efforts of the secretariat in providing transparency-related capacity-building support to developing country Parties for implementing the enhanced transparency framework, in particular through regional online and in-person workshops, and *encourages* the secretariat to ensure that such capacity-building activities are tailored to subregions that share similar conditions and challenges, in order to maximize their impact, while enhancing the balance and inclusivity of the activities across the regions;

5. *Welcomes* the efforts of the secretariat in providing in-person and online training to developing country Parties in fulfilment of the mandates in paragraphs 14 and 16 of decision 5/CMA.3 and *emphasizes* the critical importance of the provision of in-person training to developing country Parties on using the tools for reporting under the ETF to facilitate submission of the first BTRs by 31 December 2024, as well as subsequent BTRs, ensuring comprehensive coverage of developing country regions;

6. *Strongly encourages* developed country Parties to provide additional resources to the secretariat to enable it to provide the necessary scale of technical support to developing country Parties for building their capacity for reporting under Article 13 of the Paris Agreement;

7. *Welcomes* the ongoing work of the Global Environment Facility (GEF) to streamline the project approval cycle for financial support for reporting under the enhanced transparency framework; *encourages* the GEF to continue its efforts to increase the efficiency of the operations of the GEF and its implementing agencies; and *underscores* the importance of implementing programming modalities, procedures and processes to prevent gaps in financial support between projects, and ensuring the sustainability of the national technical teams and workflows necessary for developing country Parties to meet their reporting requirements under the enhanced transparency framework and for building and enhancing their national institutional and technical capacity for reporting under the Paris Agreement on a continuous basis;

8. *Also underscores* the importance of the GEF evaluating the sufficiency of the support provided by the GEF for ensuring the sustainability of, inter alia, the national technical teams, tools, data systems and workflows necessary for developing country Parties to prepare biennial transparency reports through a cost evaluation process in the context of its ninth replenishment cycle;

9. *Further underscores* the importance of the GEF ensuring that the overall size of the allocation for the climate change focal area allows for adequate provision of resources for reporting and capacity-building through the CBIT while not having a negative impact on the amounts available to developing country Parties for implementing climate action;

10. *Encourages* the GEF to consider information provided by Parties in their first BTRs pursuant to paragraphs 143–145 of the annex to decision 18/CMA.1, information submitted by Parties pursuant to paragraph 17 of decision 18/CMA.5 and the synthesis report referred to in paragraph 18 of decision 18/CMA.5 when considering the level of support to be provided to developing country Parties for preparing their second and subsequent BTRs, and in providing further support through the CBIT and its Global Support Programme for building developing country Parties' capacity for reporting under the enhanced transparency framework, including in the context of its ninth replenishment cycle.

⁹ <https://unfccc.int/news/baku-high-level-dialogue-launches-global-climate-transparency-initiatives-ahead-of-cop29-highlights>