

Impact of implementation of Response Measures

LDC PERSPECTIVE

Background

History of the workshop

Limited participation of LDCs in the Negotiation process

Varying knowledge and understanding of the concept

Lack of common position

Call for more sensitisation and awareness

Identification and mobilisation of funding

Workshop in Kampala

What is LDCs?

- Poorest and most vulnerable group of countries
- They are 47 in number
- 33 found in Africa
- 13 in Asia
- 1 in the Americas, Haiti

Major characteristics of LDCS

They Vary:

Mountainous – Nepal, Uganda and Nepal

Coastal zones

Forests – DRC

Plains

Oil producing

Agricultural

Highly dependent on the exploitation of natural resources

Varying interests and priorities

Fragile economy

Challenges faced by LDCs

- Limited understanding and attention to the impact of implementation of response measures
- Varying priorities and interests of country Parties
- Inadequate efforts to address adaptation and mitigation – How can the bring on board RM when even Loss and damage are not addressed.
- Limited information and evidence on the impact of Implementation of RM
- Lack of research and studies to inform actions and policy formulation and implementation in developing countries
- Limited measures to mitigate the adverse impacts
- Limited capacity to assess the impacts

Take-home recommendations

- Enhanced awareness campaign
- Enhanced mobilisation of resources from both global and domestic sources
- Catalyze zeal and interests of the negotiators
- Integrate impact of implementation of RM in the national development plans
- Mobilise more technical and financial support
- Intensify research and studies to enable assessment of the impacts
- Develop guidelines and framework for mitigating the impacts
- Engage local and regional research institutions in impact assessment

Conclusion

- Impact of implementation is a reality and can undermine realisation of sustainable development
- As parties mitigate and adapt to the adverse effects of response measures they should map out ways of maximising the positive impacts and minimising the negative impacts
- LDCs should focus more attention to the subject of response measures and join in the UNFCCC negotiation process
- Identify and establish specific fund to address the impact of implementation of response measures
- All mitigation and adaptation proposals should factor in the impacts of implementation of response measures

