



**HOST PARTY PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS
FOR ARTICLE 6.4 MECHANISM
(Version 02.0)**

SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION

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SECTION 2: PARTICIPATION RESPONSIBILITIES

Is your country a Party to the Paris Agreement?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has your country prepared, communicated, and is it maintaining a Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 2 of the Paris Agreement?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has your country designated a Designated National Authority (DNA) for the Article 6.4 mechanism and communicated that designation to the UNFCCC secretariat?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Please describe how your country's participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism contributes to sustainable development, while acknowledging that the consideration of sustainable development is a national prerogative.

The Republic of The Gambia affirms that the consideration of sustainable development is a national prerogative. Participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism is understood as a means to mobilize international support, finance, technology transfer, and capacity building, for the implementation of its nationally determined priorities.

By engaging in Article 6.4, The Gambia ensures that mitigation outcomes are real, permanent, additional, and verified, while contributing to sustainable development in line with its Nationally Determined Contribution, the Long-Term Climate-Neutral Development Strategy 2050 (LTS), and the broader goals of the Paris Agreement.

The Contribution to sustainable development under Article 6.4 will be assessed against national priorities to ensure they deliver co-benefits such as poverty reduction, resilience building, gender responsiveness, and inclusive economic growth. These considerations are embedded in The Gambia's national climate policies and strategies and reflect the sovereign right of the country to define sustainable development in its own context. More specifically, in terms of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), these contributions align with:

- SDG 1 – No Poverty: advancing poverty reduction through climate-resilient livelihoods and green job creation.
- SDG 5 – Gender Equality: ensuring gender-responsive participation and empowerment in climate action.
- SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth: fostering inclusive, sustainable economic growth through low-carbon development.
- SDG 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities: strengthening resilience in urban and rural settlements.
- SDG 13 – Climate Action: delivering measurable mitigation and adaptation outcomes consistent with the Paris Agreement.

Secondary SDGs implicitly supported include:

- SDG 2 – Zero Hunger: through climate-resilient agriculture and food security.
- SDG 3 – Good Health and Well-being: via reduced pollution and improved community resilience.
- SDG 6 – Clean Water and Sanitation: through better water resource management and sanitation systems.
- SDG 7 – Affordable and Clean Energy: by expanding access to sustainable energy services.
- SDG 9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure: by encouraging resilient, low-emission infrastructure and innovation.
- SDG 12 – Responsible Consumption and Production: by promoting circular economy practices.
- SDG 15 – Life on Land: by protecting forests, biodiversity, and ecosystems.
- SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals: by leveraging international cooperation, finance, and technology transfer.

Please provide detailed information on the types of activities under Article 6, paragraph 4 (A6.4 activities) that your country would consider approving pursuant to chapter V.C (Approval and Authorization) of the Rules, Modalities and Procedures (RMPs).

Additionally, explain how these activities, and any associated emission reductions or removals, would contribute to the achievement of your country's NDC, if applicable, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy, if it has submitted one, and the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement?

Through Article 6.4, **The Gambia approves mitigation activities that are consistent with its relevant NDC measures and Long-Term Climate-Neutral Development Strategy 2050.** These activities will be approved/authorised pursuant to Chapter V.C of the Rules, Modalities and Procedures (RMPs), provided they deliver real, permanent, additional, and verified outcomes, contribute to sustainable development, and avoid double counting.

1. Renewable Energy and Power Sector Efficiency

- Expansion of clean energy generation and efficiency measures in power generation and distribution networks.
- Includes grid upgrades, reduction of transmission and distribution losses, and deployment of efficient appliances.
- **SDGs:** SDG 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy), SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure), SDG 13 (Climate Action).
- **Alignment:** Implements NDC conditional energy measures, supports the 2050 net-zero aspiration, and contributes to the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C goal.

2. Energy Efficiency in Buildings and Appliances

- Efficiency retrofits in buildings, improved insulation, and deployment of energy-saving appliances (e.g., LED lighting, efficient cooling).
- **SDGs:** SDG 7, SDG 11 (Sustainable Cities and Communities), SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production).
- **Alignment:** Supports the National Energy Efficiency Action Plan (NEEAP) and NDC conditional measures, reducing demand growth and emissions intensity.

3. Improved Cooking Stoves and Clean Cooking Solutions

- Deployment of fuel-efficient biomass stoves and promotion of LPG/electric cooking to reduce reliance on non-renewable biomass.
- **SDGs:** SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 5 (Gender Equality), SDG 7, SDG 13.
- **Alignment:** Directly referenced in the NDC as a conditional measure, reducing emissions, improving household health, and alleviating pressure on forests.

4. REDD+ and Forest Landscape Restoration

- Afforestation, reforestation, and forest protection activities to reduce deforestation and degradation, enhance carbon sinks, and restore degraded landscapes.
- **SDGs:** SDG 15 (Life on Land), SDG 2 (Zero Hunger), SDG 13.

- **Alignment:** Implements AFOLU measures in the NDC and LTS, strengthens resilience in rural communities, and contributes to long-term ecosystem integrity.

5. Integrated Waste Management and Circular Economy

- Biogas recovery, composting, and decentralized treatment systems to reduce methane emissions, improve sanitation, and create value from waste.
- **SDGs:** SDG 11, SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), SDG 12.
- **Alignment:** Implements NDC waste sector measures and orientation of its LTS, supports resilience under the Strategic Programme for Climate Resilience.

6. Transport Efficiency

- Vehicle fuel efficiency standards strengthened public transport, and blended fuels to reduce emissions growth and improve mobility.
- **SDGs:** SDG 11, SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth), SDG 13.
- **Alignment:** Supports NDC transport measures and contributes to sustainable urban development.

7. Industrial Processes (IPPU)

- Phasing down hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) in refrigeration and air conditioning.
- **SDGs:** SDG 12, SDG 9, SDG 13.
- **Alignment:** Implements NDC conditional IPPU measures, aligns with international commitments, and contributes to non-CO₂ mitigation.

Alignment with National Strategies

- **NDC Achievement (2030):** Article 6.4 activities directly implement the relevant measures that enable The Gambia to achieve its nationally determined emission reduction target.
- **LTS:** Activities support the national aspiration for net-zero emissions by 2050, guiding long-term decarbonization.
- **Paris Agreement Goals:** By hosting Article 6.4 activities, The Gambia contributes to limiting global temperature rise to 1.5°C, while safeguarding livelihoods and ecosystems in one of the most climate-vulnerable least developed countries.

Conclusion

The Gambia's participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism will mobilize international finance, technology transfer, and capacity building to implement its international engagement depending on the support received. These activities will deliver measurable emission reductions and removals, while generating co-benefits for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity conservation, and inclusive economic growth. In line with the Paris Agreement, sustainable development remains a sovereign prerogative, and The Gambia will ensure that all Article 6.4 activities are aligned with its national priorities, uphold environmental integrity, and deliver tangible benefits to its people.

Please provide any additional information that the host Party may deem necessary (optional)¹:	
<p>Baseline approaches and other methodological requirements, including additionality, to be applied for A6.4 activities that it intends to host, in addition and subject to and consistent with the RMPs, under the supervision of the Supervisory Body, and subject to further relevant decisions of the CMA, with an explanation of how those approaches and requirements are compatible with its NDC and, if it has submitted one, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy:</p> <p>>></p>	
<p>Crediting periods to be applied for A6.4 activities that it intends to host, including whether the crediting periods may be renewed, subject to the RMPs and under the supervision of the Supervisory Body, and in accordance with further relevant decisions of the CMA, with an explanation of how those crediting periods are compatible with its NDC and, if it has submitted one, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy:</p> <p>>></p>	
<p>Definition of first transfer pursuant to decision 2/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 2(b)² as:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The authorization</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The issuance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The use or cancellation of the A6.4ERs</p>	
<p>Exemption from the waiver for share of proceeds for adaptation for LDCs and SIDS³</p>	<p>Is the host Party an LDC or SIDS:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> The host Party chooses not to exempt all projects or PoAs and CPs from the share of proceeds for adaptation⁴</p>

¹ The host Party may optionally provide additional information on: i) Baseline approaches and other methodological requirements, including additionality, to be applied for Article 6.4 activities as per decision 3/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 27; ii). Crediting periods to be applied for Article 6.4 activities that it intends to host, including whether the crediting periods may be renewed as per decision 3/CMA.3, annex 3, paragraph 27(b); iii) First transfer in case it intends to authorize A6.4ERs for other international mitigation purposes as per decision 2/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 2(b); iv) statement on exemption from the waiver for share of proceeds for adaptation for LDCs and SIDS of all projects or PoAs and CPs.

² Decision 2/CMA.3, annex, as contained in document FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/10/Add.1. Available at: https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021_10a01E.pdf.

³ This provision is only applicable to LDCs and SIDS and is to be checked if the LDC/SIDS hosting the projects or PoAs and CPs therein, chooses not to exempt all project activities or PoAs and CPs from the share of proceeds for adaptation or may be indicated for each project or PoA and CPs at the time of approval of the project or PoA.

⁴ Please see footnote 3.

Any additional information:

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Document information

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