

Informal note by the co-facilitators

Background

- *Parties met in informal consultations on 1 June 2021.*
- *They reflected on the mandate for this item, which is to review the progress, need for continuation and terms of reference of the LEG with a view to COP 26 adopting a decision thereon.*
- *On the basis of the discussions, the co-facilitators have prepared the following possible elements of an outcome on this matter under their own responsibility. These elements are not exhaustive, have no formal status and should not be considered final in any way. They are offered to assist us in advancing the discussions on this matter and do not prejudice further work or prevent Parties from expressing their views at any time.*

Elements

General statements

- Decisions to be recalled: 29/CP.7, 7/CP.9, 4/CP.11, 8/CP.13, 6/CP.16, 5/CP.17, 12/CP.18, 3/CP.20, 1/CP.21, 19/CP.21, 16/CP.24, 7/CP.25, 11/CMA.1 and 19/CMA.1;
- Recognize the specific needs and special situation of the LDCs under Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Convention;
- Refer to reports considered;¹
- Refer to official events where Parties shared views on this matter;²
- Reflect on the importance of the LEG as a body that provides high-quality information on adaptation for the LDCs;
- Reflect on the LDCs continuing to require support for, inter alia, the process to formulate and implement NAPs, engaging with the GCF, and implementing the least developed countries work programme;
- Reflect on the value of the LEG providing support for addressing the priority needs of the LDCs.

Elements relating to the extension of the mandate and the functions of the LEG

- Extend the mandate of the LEG under its current terms of reference;³
- Decide on date for next review of the LEG mandate (COP 31, COP 36, xx);
- Outline steps for the next review: as per previous review;
- Welcome the efforts of the LEG to increase the accessibility and transparency of its meetings and information on the LEG, and invite the LEG to continue its efforts;
- Refer to support for the work of the LEG:

¹ FCCC/SBI/2020/6, FCCC/SBI/2020/7, FCCC/SBI/2020/8, FCCC/SBI/2020/14 and FCCC/SBI/2021/6.

² Enhancing support to the LDCs: insights from a recent stocktaking meeting of the work of the LEG (2 June 2020); technical dialogue with Parties and observers held by the SBI Chair on experience, good practices and lessons learned from LEG work to inform the review of the LEG (27 November 2020); information event on the work of the LEG in supporting the LDCs on adaptation (4 May 2021).

³ Decisions 29/CP.7, 7/CP.9, 4/CP.11, 8/CP.13, 6/CP.16, 5/CP.17, 12/CP.18, 3/CP.20, 19/CP.21, 8/CP.24, 16/CP.24 and 7/CP.25.

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- Usual invitation to Parties and relevant organizations to continue to provide resources for supporting implementation of the LEG work programme;
 - Usual request to the secretariat to continue to facilitate the work of the LEG;
 - Additional mandates/priorities:
 - LEG to focus its activities on LDC-specific issues, including LDC-specific aspects of the process to formulate and implement NAPs;
 - LEG to continue and expand its provision of support to the LDCs in order to accelerate the process to formulate and implement NAPs, facilitate access to funding for this process under the GCF, and enable monitoring and evaluation of the process to formulate and implement NAPs, while taking into consideration cross-cutting areas, including gender, youth, social inclusion, the private sector and education;
 - LEG to continue and expand its provision of support for integrating climate change adaptation measures into national development plans and developing programmes and projects, including at the regional level, that address both objectives of the process to formulate and implement NAPs.

Working with relevant organizations and experts supporting NAPs

- Reflect positively on the engagement of a broad range of organizations, networks and experts in supporting the process to formulate and implement NAPs through the NAP technical working group;
- LEG to mobilize more partners to address specific priority needs of the LDCs as appropriate.

Membership

- Consider additional members;
- Parties, in nominating members, to take into account gender balance, youth engagement, private sector considerations under the GCF and expertise in project design and implementation, etc.

Collaboration

- LEG to continue to collaborate with the AC, NWP and other adaptation-relevant bodies in providing support for the process to formulate and implement NAPs.
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