

## **Rural Urban Partnership For Africa**

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"INPUTS ON THE CALL FOR INPUTS ON REPORTS AND INFORMATION ON EFFORTS TO ASSESS AND ANALYZE THE IMPACTS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RESPONSE MEASURES"

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## Contribution from RUPFA.

18. **Question 1**: What are processes in place in your country or organization to systematically identify or collect information on social and economic consequences of impacts of implementation of response measures?

Guidance for question 1: The respondent may wish to include information related to institutional arrangement, any other process followed for understanding/identifying the impacts of implementation of response measures during formulation or during implementation of climate policies.

**Answer Q1:** Based on our experience, it all starts with a description of the goals of the evaluation (i.e., its intended recipients and uses) and the key questions. The determination of a need related to an identified problem and then the development of a Reference Term (TOR), clear definition of indicators to be used consistently at all levels, description of roles and responsibilities at all levels, specific reporting deadlines, standard data collection and reporting forms and tools with clear instructions, compilation and systemic analysis, documented procedure for reviewing data collection to be carried out at all levels, storage policy and classification procedures.

19. **Question 2**: How are the qualitative and quantitative information on impacts of implementation of response measures prepared for reporting, in your reports, the social, economic, and environmental impacts, including those on other Parties?

Guidance for question 2: The respondent may wish to include information on any qualitative or quantitative tools which is used for assessment of social and economic consequences of response measures which informed the country reporting.

**Answer Q2:** We apply participatory evaluation methods with the use of the following tools: theory of change; data visualization; Kobo Collect; etc. It is essential to note that qualitative and quantitative information is always stored securely and permanent updates are observed. In an equally practical way, preparation is done by collecting the facts, verifying them, studying their historical angle, writing them, editing them, and classifying or sharing them.

20. **Question 3**: In your view, how does the information provided in existing reports contribute to: (i) the assessment of the economic and social consequences of response measures; (ii) understanding the actions taken to minimize the impacts of implementation of response measure; and (iii) the support provided to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures.

Guidance for question 3: The respondent may wish to include information whether and/or how the existing reporting requirements and reports by Parties have: (i) prompted socioeconomic impacts assessments by other Parties; (ii) enhanced understanding of Parties of the actions needed to minimize the adverse impacts of response measures, and (iii) spurred support that is needed by Parties to minimize the adverse impacts and maximize the positive impacts of the implementation of response measures.

## **Answer Q3:** The information in the report:

 Provide objective and factual information that allows us to take informed action and therefore make informed decisions;

- Provide lessons to improve future initiatives and avoid past mistakes, thus continuous improvement;
- Report on the results and effects of an action, which promotes transparency and accountability towards our stakeholders, thus transparency and accountability;
- Communicate positive and negative impacts to stakeholders, increasing understanding and awareness;
- Identify areas where resources can be used more efficiently, thus contributing to a better allocation of funds and thus value for money;
- Strengthens the credibility of the initiative with the public, investors and partners.
- 21. **Question 4**: In your view, how does the information provided in existing reports contribute to understanding the specific needs and concerns arising from the adverse effects and the opportunities arising from the positive effects of the implementation of response measures.

Guidance for question 4: The respondent may wish to include information how the existing reporting requirements and reports by Parties have enabled other Parties to understand specific needs and concerns arising from the adverse effects and the opportunities arising from the positive effects of the implementation of response measures on the Parties making the reports.

**Answer Q4:** We believe that the answer to question 3 also refers to this question.

22. **Question 5**: What challenges were encountered in preparing your reporting on impacts of implementation of response measures or economic and social consequences of response measures?

Guidance for question 5: The respondent may wish to include information on the challenges encountered when preparing the information pertaining to impacts of implementation of response measures or economic and social consequences of response measures. The challenges may include challenges in the process for reporting as well as challenges in identifying the impacts.

**Answer Q5:** At our level we have come up against the challenges of lack of some qualifications in a specific area and problems of accessibility or growing insecurity in the area.

23. **Question 6**: What are the lessons learned from the existing/old/previous reporting framework under the UNFCCC or from your reporting exercise outside the UNFCCC reporting framework that can be useful in the future reporting on response measures, including in the reporting framework under the Paris Agreement, in particular in order to able to inform the global stock take process?

Guidance for question 6: The respondent may wish to include information on what has worked well and what can be improved in reporting the information pertaining to impacts of implementation of response measures or economic and social consequences of response measures that can encourage Parties to report information pertaining to response measures in a more comprehensive manner in the reporting framework under the Paris Agreement.

**Answer Q6:** Our strengths include the reliability of the scope, the inclusion of stakeholders, compliance with international standards and risk management.