

14th meeting of the Adaptation Committee

Agenda item 7 (e)

Revised report on various approaches to adaptation

Draft report on various approaches to adaptation, such as community-based adaptation and ecosystem-based adaptation, taking into account livelihoods and economic diversification

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I: Introduction and background

- ❖ The AC agreed to prepare a report on various approaches to adaptation, such as community-based adaptation (CBA) and ecosystem-based adaptation (EbA), taking into account livelihoods and economic diversification (LED)
- ❖ Following a discussion of the draft report at its 13th meeting, the AC provided further guidance to the secretariat to revise the report.
- ❖ The Nairobi work programme, its partner organizations and the AC have cooperated and contributed to the growing body of knowledge on various approaches



II: Summary

- ❖ Countries need to find the optimal combination of approaches that fit their national circumstances
 - ❖ Common challenges across the different approaches and how to address them
 - ❖ *Stakeholder engagement*
 - ✓ Engaging locals to national decision-makers for trust and ownership
 - ✓ Using gender sensitivity and culturally appropriate tools for engaging women and vulnerable groups to raise their awareness and avoid maladaptation
 - *Assessing effectiveness*
 - ✓ Reducing burdens for M&E and facilitating synergies between institutions through enhanced coordination
 - ✓ Developing more user-friendly and smart indicators and guidelines
 - *Lack of resources*
 - ✓ Financial support from public and private sectors
 - ✓ Building institutional capacity for policy frameworks, human capacity to understand scientific knowledge, and technology for planning and implementing adaptation measures
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III: Next Steps

❖ The AC may choose to:

- Finalise this paper, and decide whether it should be published in a user - friendly format as part of the technical paper on long - term adaptation planning;
- Discuss any follow - up that could be undertaken as part of the 2019 - 2021 workplan, including partnering with organizations specialized in EbA;
- Formulate possible recommendations, in conjunction with the recommendations from the revised technical paper on long - term adaptation planning, for consideration by the COP and interested stakeholders.



IV: Recommendations

The AC may wish to consider the following recommendations on promoting various adaptation approaches to be forwarded to the COP for its consideration:

- a) Invite Parties and relevant institutions to continue developing usable and smart indicators and methodologies to monitor and evaluate positive and negative impacts of the various approaches to adaptation planning;
- b) Invite the NWP and its partner organizations to submit good practices and lessons learned to the Adaptation Knowledge Portal.

