Rolling work programme of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group for 2018–2019

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CMA/COP/SBI support	Successfully supporting the SBI assessment of progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs referred to in decision 4/CP.21, paragraphs 11–13 (NAPs)	Organize a meeting of Party experts on progress in the process to formulate and implement NAPs, in collaboration with the AC, and prepare a summary report thereon for consideration at SBI 48	Meeting from 7 to 9 February 2018 and report for consideration at SBI 48
CMA/COP/SBI support	Successfully supporting the SBI assessment of progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs referred to in decision 4/CP.21, paragraphs 11–13 (NAPs)	Continue to produce an annual update for the SBI on progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs	Progress reports for consideration at SBI 49 and 51
CMA/COP/SBI support	Successfully supporting the work of the SBI under Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Convention (LDC matters)	Address the mandate for the revision and update of the least developed countries work programme and provide recommendations to SBI 48	Recommendations included in the LEG 33 report for consideration at SBI 48
CMA/COP/SBI support	Successfully supporting the work of the SBI under Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Convention (LDC matters)	Prepare technical inputs on needs of the LDCs related to adaptation arising from the Paris Agreement and COP 21 decisions, including on how those gaps and needs can be addressed by the LEG and/or others	Technical inputs for consideration at SBI 48 included in the LEG 33 report
CMA/COP/SBI support	Successfully supporting the ongoing SBI assessment of progress made under Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Convention on NAPAs and the LDCF (LDC matters)	Continue to document and report on progress in the implementation of NAPAs under the LDCF	Information in LEG reports
Technical guidance and support	Advancing NAPs through technical guidelines and support	Maintain and disseminate NAP technical guidelines and related technical materials	Mobilization of selected organizations to develop supplements to the NAP guidelines on priority areas
Technical guidance and support	Supporting the implementation of NAPs (as part of the work programme)	Hold sessions on experience with implementation of adaptation projects during the NAP Expo, and identify challenges and obstacles, lessons learned and best practices	Recommendations on how to address the mandate to be further developed at LEG 34 (after the 2018 NAP Expo)

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		Develop an approach to addressing the mandate after the 2018 NAP Expo	
Technical guidance and support	Providing technical guidance and support for NAPAs and the least developed countries work programme	Provide ongoing support to the LDCs and the SBI for NAPAs and contribute to other activities related to the least developed countries work programme (e.g. negotiator capacity-building under the LDCF being implemented by UNEP, UNDP and UNITAR)	Provision of technical support to the LDCs for NAPAs as necessary
Technical guidelines and papers	Advancing NAPs through technical guidelines and support	Prepare a description of the NAP-SDG iFrame and supporting tools with the support of the NAP technical working group	Technical paper, supplement to the NAP guidelines and online materials on NAP Central
Technical guidelines and papers	Advancing NAPs through technical guidelines and support	Prepare a paper on considerations regarding vulnerable communities, groups and ecosystems (with inputs from the NWP)	Supplement to the NAP guidelines and information paper on considerations regarding vulnerable communities, groups and ecosystems
Technical guidelines and papers	Advancing NAPs through technical guidelines and support	Develop supplement to the NAP guidelines on regional approaches to adaptation planning and implementation	Supplement to the NAP guidelines
Technical guidelines and papers	Advancing NAPs through technical guidelines and support	Continue to test and facilitate the application of the PEG M&E tool at the national level (e.g. through Open NAPs) and update the tool accordingly	Updates as necessary
Technical advice and outreach	Enhancing LDCs' access to GCF funding for NAPs (by engaging with the GCF secretariat)	Continue to engage the GCF secretariat in LEG meetings, NAP Expos, regional training workshops and related events to address issues relating to the LDCs accessing GCF funding for NAPs	Summary of issues relating to the LDCs accessing the GCF included in LEG reports
		Share information with the GCF secretariat on expediting the provision of support to the LDCs and other developing countries for formulating and implementing NAPs	Regular exchange of information with the GCF secretariat and the GCF Board
		Share information with the GCF on the experience of the LDCs and the challenges faced by them in accessing funding from the GCF for NAPs	GCF sessions at NAP Expos and NAP workshops
		Include an item on access to the GCF on the agenda for NAP Expos (in coordination with an AC	Addendum to the report on the expert meeting on assessing progress to capture the outcomes of the GCF sessions at the 2018

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		workshop on GCF related matters planned for during the 2018 NAP Expo) and regional training workshops on NAPs	NAP Expo (in coordination with the AC workshop outcomes)
Technical advice and outreach	Promoting LEG interaction with the LDCs and other Parties and relevant organizations	LEG side events at sessions of the subsidiary bodies	Side event at each session
Training	Advancing NAPs through technical training	Conduct regional training workshops on NAPs	Regional training workshops in 2019
Training	Advancing NAPs through technical training	Continue to develop and update training materials, including supporting materials for the NAP-SDG iFrame, for the workshops and translate them into relevant languages, including an online version for national use	Training materials on NAPs in multiple languages
Training	Advancing NAPs through technical training	Further develop training and outreach materials, with input from the GCF secretariat and GCF implementing partners, on accessing funding from the GCF for NAPs for use in the NAP training workshops	Training and outreach materials
Training	Advancing NAPs through technical training	Continue to consider how gender responsiveness is considered in NAPs	Updated training and related technical materials to reflect considerations regarding gender and vulnerable communities, groups and ecosystems
Expert meetings	Engaging regional centres and networks and relevant organizations	Organize meetings of the NAP technical working group with relevant technical experts and partners on the NAP-SDG iFrame, Open NAPs, integrated assessment methods and other topics, as and when needs arise, to explore specific NAP-related topics	Information to be included in LEG reports in 2018–2019
NAP Expos	Advancing NAPs through global and regional outreach and engagement events	Convene global NAP Expos	NAP Expo in 2018
Regional NAP Expos	Advancing NAPs through global and regional outreach and engagement events	Convene regional NAP Expos in collaboration with relevant events	Regional NAP Expos in 2018–2019

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NAP Central	Advancing NAPs through information systems	Further develop and enhance NAP Central	Enhancement of NAP Central in 2018
		Design outreach products on best practices and experience of countries in the process to formulate and implement NAPs (platform for sharing best practices and lessons learned on NAP Central)	NAP process tracking tool to be implemented online on NAP Central
		Make available online information on outputs and progress made in the process to formulate and implement NAPs for each developing country by key element (based on offline NAP process tracking tool)	
Open NAPs	Advancing NAPs through open collaboration	Expand the Open NAP case studies with interested partners and utilize them during the NAP workshops as well as upon the request of LDCs	Case study reports on NAP Central
		Extend the Open NAP case studies to the regional level with interested partners to demonstrate regional approaches to adaptation planning and to promote learning and effectiveness of guidance on NAPs across scales	
Collaboration with other bodies	Collaborating with relevant bodies under the Convention	Continue to collaborate with the AC on various activities, including through the NAP technical working group, NAP Expo advisory group, NAP Central support group, AC task force on NAPs and task force on the technical examination process on adaptation	LEG members to serve on the AC task forces, and information in LEG reports
Collaboration with other bodies	Collaborating with relevant bodies under the Convention	Participate in the work of the task force on displacement of the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage associated with Climate Change Impacts	LEG member to serve on the task force, and information in LEG reports
Collaboration with other bodies	Collaborating with relevant bodies under the Convention	Engage NWP partner organizations in implementing relevant activities	Information in LEG reports
Collaboration with other bodies	Collaborating with relevant bodies under the Convention	Contribute to the work of the Technology Executive Committee on helping countries align their work on technology needs assessments and NAPs	Information in LEG reports
Collaboration with other bodies	Collaborating with relevant bodies under the Convention	Continue to engage with the PCCB on how to enhance collaboration and cooperation between the	Information in LEG reports

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		PCCB and other constituted bodies and institutions on capacity-building	
Collaboration with regional centres and networks	Engaging regional centres and networks and relevant organizations	Engage and mobilize regional centres and networks to nominate LEG focal points	Nominated focal points of regional centres and networks
Collaboration with regional centres and networks	Engaging regional centres and networks and relevant organizations	Mobilize relevant organizations and regional centres and networks to enhance the support provided to the LDCs for adaptation, including in relation to readiness for accessing funding from the GCF for the successful formulation and implementation of NAPs	Expanded readiness support, and information in LEG reports

Abbreviations: AC = Adaptation Committee, CMA = Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement, COP = Conference of the Parties, GCF = Green Climate Fund, LDC = least developed country, LDCF = Least Developed Countries Fund, LEG = Least Developed Countries Expert Group, NAP = national adaptation plan, NAPA = national adaptation programme of action, NAP-SDG iFrame = integrative framework for national adaptation plans and the Sustainable Development Goals, NWP = Nairobi work programme on impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, PCCB = Paris Committee on Capacity-building, PEG M&E tool = tool for monitoring and evaluation of progress, effectiveness and gaps in addressing adaptation in the least developed countries, SBI = Subsidiary Body for Implementation, UNDP = United Nations Development Programme, UNEP = United Nations Environment Programme, UNITAR = United Nations Institute for Training and Research.