

DRAFT TEXT

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The following are draft text elements that are being captured for further deliberation by Parties, without prejudice to whether they will be captured as conclusions or decisions.

Gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans

- *To take* note of the continuing work of the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group on gaps and needs related to the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans, including the gaps and needs contained in annex I to document FCCC/SBI/2019/16¹, and on ways to assist with the implementation of national adaptation plans, as requested by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its forty-seventh session;²
- *To request* the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to continue to identify the priority gaps and needs of developing countries related to the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans, the progress of each country in this process and any obstacles and challenges faced;
- *To request* the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to address any urgent gaps and needs and the obstacles identified in above, and to include such information in their reports;
- *To request* the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and the Adaptation Committee to prioritize high-impact activities that addresses the gaps and needs of developing countries, such as the NAP Expo;

General reflections

- *To urge* the continued provision of financial and technical support to the least developed and other developing countries for formulating their first national adaptation plans;
- *To invite* Parties to establish contact points for their national adaptation plans through their national focal points with a view to enhancing the flow of information between Parties and the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, as well as other relevant organizations and programme partners, such as Nairobi work programme partners;

Implementation of national adaptation plans

- *To recall* decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 46, in which the Green Climate Fund was requested to expedite support for the least developed and other developing country Parties for the formulation of national adaptation plans, consistently with decisions 1/CP.16 and

¹ As per decision 8/CP.24, paras. 17–18.

² FCCC/SBI/2017/19, para. 73.

5/CP.17, and for the subsequent implementation of policies, projects and programmes identified by them;

- *To request* the GCF to include information on how it has fully operationalized decision 1/CP.21, paragraph 46, in its report to COP 27;
- *To note* that national adaptation plans prepared under the Green Climate Fund Readiness and Preparatory Support programme are subject to a rigorous process according to the 12 appraisal criteria³ for adaptation planning;
- *To request* the Green Climate Fund and other entities of the Financial Mechanism to consider how to expedite approval of projects for implementing adaptation priorities identified in the national adaptation plans of the least developed countries, and to include related information in their reports to the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-seventh session;
- *To acknowledge* the limited capacity of some countries to submit applications to the Green Climate Fund Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme for funding for formulating national adaptation plans;
- *To note* the importance of aligning the implementation strategy for national adaptation plans with relevant investment strategies and subsequent steps⁴ under the Green Climate Fund;
- *To encourage* delivery partners of the Green Climate Fund Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme for the formulation of national adaptation plans to strengthen their efforts to expedite the submission of readiness proposals to the Green Climate Fund,⁵ taking into account country-specific needs and circumstances, and to provide information on their efforts to the Adaptation Committee and the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and through other channels as appropriate.

³ See https://www.greenclimate.fund/sites/default/files/document/readiness-guidebook_1.pdf.

⁴ Subsequent steps undertaken include, inter alia, project concepts and proposals.

⁵ As per decision 7/CP.25, para. 10.