

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

SESSION V (BREAKOUT GROUP 1) APPROACHES OF TRANSLATING **CLIMATE FINANCE NEEDS AND** **PRIORITIES INTO ACTION**

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- Generating local level data is a major constraint in translating needs into actions because it entails costs.
- Strong political will from the government can help facilitate the generation of data (e.g. India's national mission on water).
- It is important to undertake a comprehensive needs assessment, as opposed to utilizing existing tools, to fill in the gaps.
- Countries need to consider in their needs assessment slow onset events (such as droughts and sea level rise).

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- Climate science should inform policy and action.
- Strengthen climate rationale of projects.
- Countries must be mindful of gender sensitivities and needs of minority groups to generate more inclusive data.
- Ensure the accuracy and validity of data through the National Focal Point as the gatekeeper.
- Needs assessment must be updated on a regular basis to include improvements on the science and methodologies.
- Moving forward, countries can expect rich information from the Paris Agreement Work Programme processes.