

Draft evaluation of progress in incorporating gender considerations into adaptation action and the AC workplan activities

Recommended action by the Adaptation Committee

The Adaptation Committee (AC) will be invited to take note of progress made on its gender workplan and consider the next steps.

1. Background and scope

1. The AC, in its 2019-2021 workplan, agreed to include the objective of incorporating gender as a cross-cutting consideration into all its activities. Accordingly, the AC has enhanced efforts on gender consideration by integrating a gender perspective into AC events, documents, and reports.
2. The AC developed a plan for enhancing consideration of gender in adaptation action and its workplan activities,¹ in collaboration with the PCCB and the NAP Taskforce and agreed to evaluate progress made in 2021.
3. This document contains a draft evaluation of the implementation of the AC's gender workplan (Table).

2. Approach

4. The following six indicators were used to assess whether progress has been made in assuming the activities contained within the AC gender workplan. The indicators were chosen as to correspond to the priority areas of the UNFCCC Gender Action Plan: (A) Capacity-building, knowledge management and communication, (B) Gender balance, participation and women's leadership, (C) Coherence, (D) Gender-responsive implementation and means of implementation, (E) Monitoring and reporting². The indicators are as follows:
 - Indicator 1: Number of women in the composition of the AC
 - Indicator 2: Attendance of AC members in gender relevant events
 - Indicator 3: Numbers of female speakers in AC events
 - Indicator 4: Collaboration and partnership with other constituted bodies and relevant organizations to enhance gender consideration into adaptation action
 - Indicator 5: Inclusion of gender consideration in technical papers/reports prepared by the AC
 - Indicator 6: Providing guidance in how best to incorporate gender considerations into adaptation action
5. First three indicators correspond to the priority area of Gender balance, participation and women's leadership. The fourth indicator covers the priority areas of Coherence as well as Capacity-building, knowledge management and communication. Finally, the last two indicators correspond to the priority area of Gender-responsive implementation. This evaluation as whole is addressing the priority area of Monitoring and reporting.

¹ See document [AC/2019/17](#).

² Annex of Decision 3/CP.25.

3. Assessment outcome

6. The following table documents progress in implementing the activities of the AC gender workplan. According to the result of the assessment (column 3 of the Table), the AC has fulfilled the implementation of the activities. The only outstanding activity is the AC-PCCB joint gender event that was planned to be held at the 2020 NAP Expo. The event had to be postponed to 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

4. Next steps

7. The AC may wish to conclude the review of its gender workplan, agree to continue mainstreaming gender as a cross-cutting consideration into all its activities in a coherent manner as part of the new workplan, and identify further steps, if needed.

Table. Draft evaluation of progress in incorporating gender considerations into adaptation action and the AC workplan activities

Indicators	Activities	Results
Indicator 1: Number of women in the composition of the AC	Ensure gender-balanced composition of the AC	The AC currently comprises ten women and six men, with both Co-Chairs being female.
Indicator 2: Attendance of AC members in gender relevant events	Participate, as mandated or if invited and prioritized, in gender relevant events of other constituted bodies or workstreams under the Convention, as well as in gender events organized by other organizations, particularly events that provide access to new audiences	During COP 25, the AC contributed to an event celebrating indigenous and local adaptation to a changing climate organized by the FWG, the AC, the LEG and NWP partners, which included gender considerations. During COP 24 and SB 50, the AC actively contributed to a range of gender-related events, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two UNFCCC gender workshops; • One SB 50 event providing an update on the NAP supplementary guidelines on gender.
Indicator 3: Numbers of female speakers in AC events	Encourage all event organizers involved in the TEM-As to strive for gender-balanced participation in their events	2019 TEP-A: 40% of speakers were women, including moderators. 2020 TEP-A: at least 50% of speakers and moderators for all events being women.
Indicator 4: Collaboration and partnership with other constituted bodies and relevant organizations to enhance gender consideration into adaptation action	Organize and hold an event on identifying gaps and solutions related to incorporating gender considerations into adaptation planning and implementation	In collaboration with the LEG and the NAP Global Network, The AC launched the gender toolkit, at COP 25, followed by a webinar on gender-responsive NAP processes; The AC decided (and drafted a concept note) to hold a joint event with the PCCB at the 2020 NAP Expo to identify gaps and solutions related to incorporating gender considerations into adaptation planning and implementation.
	Contribute to the organization and delivery of the annual NAP Expo and continue to enhance awareness-raising about, during the events, integrating gender considerations in NAPs and other adaptation action	The AC-PCCB joint gender event was planned to be held at the 2020 NAP Expo, which had to be postponed to 2021 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Indicator 5: Inclusion of gender consideration in technical papers/reports prepared by the AC	Include gender information where possible in the technical paper on connecting short-, medium- and long-term adaptation planning at the national and subnational level, including data, financial flows and others	Considered and included issues related to gender consideration in the paper.
	Include gender information in the synthesis report on how developing countries are addressing hazards	Included a section on gender consideration in the report.
	Present updates of gender and adaptation finance, depending on the availability of such data, in the Adaptation Finance Bulletin	Included a spotlight on gender in its Adaptation Finance Bulletin issued in September 2020.
	Reflect the views expressed on gender in TEM-A, if any, in the technical paper of the TEM-A	Included a section on gender consideration in the report. Recommendations from the TEM-A included to "Urge Parties to develop and implement robust and iterative national adaptation planning processes from existing multilateral climate funds and engage the private sector and integrate gender considerations to catalyse large-scale finance for adaptation that addresses the needs of the most vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change."
	Include a section on gender considerations in the annual report of the AC to the COP through the subsidiary bodies	Included the section on gender consideration in both 2019 and 2020 reports of the AC.
Indicator 6: Providing guidance in how best to incorporate gender considerations into adaptation action	Provide guidance to the NWP in identifying knowledge gaps in implementing gender considerations in adaptation planning and policies	The AC welcomed the links established between the NWP and the Lima work programme on gender and invited the NWP and its Lima Adaptation Knowledge Initiative (LAKI) to continue identifying and addressing knowledge gaps, including in implementing gender considerations in adaptation planning and policies.

	Develop a plan for enhancing consideration of gender in adaptation action and the AC workplan activities	The plan was adopted at the 16 th meeting of the AC.
	Invite submissions from Parties on how to mainstream gender considerations in the national adaptation planning and implementation	The AC and its NAP task force invited submissions from Parties and non-Party stakeholders by 15 July 2019. Six submissions from Parties and 16 submissions from non-Party stakeholders were received, synthesised and taken into account in the AC's work, in particular to prepare the concept for the joint AC-PCCB event to be held at NAP Expo 2020.
	Work together with the GCF to identify possible barriers to implementing the gender manual in developing projects for accessing adaptation finance	The AC is not working directly with the GCF on this activity. However, the AC through the gender toolkit provided examples of GCF support for gender-responsive adaptation and provided guidance on securing finance from international sources, including the GCF, for countries to address gender considerations in adaptation action.

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