

Decision -/CP.26

National adaptation plans

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decisions 1/CP.16, 3/CP.17, 5/CP.17, 12/CP.18, 18/CP.19, 3/CP.20, 1/CP.21, 4/CP.21, 6/CP.22, 8/CP.24 and 7/CP.25,

Recalling the objective of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans to reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change by building adaptive capacity and increasing resilience in developing countries and *recognizing* the role of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans in making progress towards the global goal on adaptation,

Taking note of the potential capacity of the Open NAP initiative of the Least Developed Countries Expert Group to accelerate the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans in the least developed countries and *inviting* other developing countries to take part in this initiative,

Recognizing the continued support of the Adaptation Committee, the Least Developed Countries Expert Group and the secretariat to developing country Parties on the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans, despite the limitations posed by the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic and its impacts on the formulation and implementation of national adaptation plans,

1. *Welcomes* the submissions from Albania, Armenia, Cambodia, Kuwait, Nepal, Peru, South Africa, South Sudan, Timor-Leste and Tonga of their national adaptation plans in NAP Central,¹ bringing the total number of submitted national adaptation plans to 30;

2. *Requests* the Subsidiary Body for Implementation, at its sixtieth session (June 2024), to initiate the assessment of progress in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans referred to in decision 8/CP.24, paragraph 19, and to make recommendations on this matter for consideration and adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its twenty-ninth session (November 2024);

3. *Decides* on the following actions and steps necessary for the Subsidiary Body for Implementation to initiate the assessment referred to in paragraph 2 above:

(a) *Inviting* Parties and relevant organizations to submit to the secretariat, by 1 February 2024, information on their progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans, as well as on their experience, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs, and support provided and received;

(b) *Inviting* Parties to provide information, guided by a questionnaire,² on an ongoing basis through NAP Central;

(c) *Requesting* the secretariat to prepare a synthesis report on the progress towards the achievement of the objectives of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans, as well as on experience, best practices, lessons learned, gaps and needs, and support provided and received, taking into account information contained in national

¹ <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NAPC/Pages/national-adaptation-plans.aspx>.

² <https://www4.unfccc.int/sites/NAPC/Pages/assessingprogress.aspx>.

reports under the Convention, the information referred to in paragraph 3(a–b) above, information from relevant events, including the NAP Expos, and information from other relevant sources;

(d) Requesting the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, in collaboration with the Adaptation Committee, to organize a meeting of Party experts, at which the report referred to in paragraph 3(c) above would be considered, with a view to providing a summary of progress in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans;

(e) Requesting the Least Developed Countries Expert Group, in collaboration with the Adaptation Committee and with the support of the secretariat, to prepare a report on the meeting referred to in paragraph 3(d) above, for consideration by the Subsidiary Body for Implementation at its sixtieth session in its assessment of progress in the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans;

4. *Also decides* that the assessment referred to in paragraph 2 above should take into account all the guiding principles of the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans contained in decision 5/CP.17, paragraph 3;

5. *Requests* the constituted bodies and programmes under the Convention to continue to provide information on their activities relevant to the process to formulate and implement national adaptation plans as part of the annual progress report on national adaptation plans.
