

An Analysis of Non-Annex I Parties NAMAs and MRV Framework

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Background

- Understanding the scope and contents of NAMAs is an essential step for building robust and effective MRV architecture
- International climate negotiations and previous studies have focused defining acronyms (NAMAs and MRV)
- As for recent progress, 40 non-Annex I Parties have submitted their NAMAs to the Appendix II of Copenhagen Accord (end September 2010)

Objective

- To review and analyze the contents of NAMAs under the Appendix II of the Copenhagen Accord, and
- To consider possible MRV approaches for different categories of NAMAs

Scope of NAMAs: Categorization

Categorization of the Annex II of Copenhagen Accord (40 Countries)

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Category 1	Category 2	Category 3	Category 4		
Enabling	Projects,	Carbon	Emission Reduction Targets		
Conditions	Programs and	Neutrality			
	Sectoral Measures				
Afghanistan	Armenia	Bhutan	Intensity	Absolute target	
Botswana	Benin	Costa Rica	target	Base Year	BAU
Georgia	Central African	Maldives	(GDP)		
	Republic		China	Antigua Barbuda	Brazil
	Republic of Congo		India	(1990)	Indonesia
	Corte d'Ivoire			Marshall Islands	Israel
	Ethiopia			(2009)	Mexico
	Eritrea			Moldova	Papua New Guinea
	Gabon			(1990)	South Korea
	Ghana				Singapore
	Cameroon				South Africa
	Jordan				
	Madagascar				
	Mauritania				
	Mongolia				
	Peru				
	San Marino				
	Sierra Leone				
	Macedonia				
	Тодо				
	Tunisia				3



Designing MRV for NAMAs

- Cross-national variation in NAMAs
 - \rightarrow diverse mitigation needs
- One-size-fit-all type of MRV framework cannot fully cover wide variety of NAMAs
- Instead, a "layering approach" is proposed;
 - \rightarrow Differentiating MRV processes and support
 - \rightarrow Adding flexibility to the MRV system;
 - 1) Different set of MRV for categorizes of NAMAs

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2) Different contents of international support

Example of Layered MRV for NAMAs							
	What to Measure & Report	What to Verify					
1. Enabling Conditions	 Progress of INC and GHG inventories Identification of NAMAs Other relevant measures 	 Progress of INC and GHG inventories Identification of NAMAs Other relevant measures 					
2. Projects, Programs, Sectoral Measures	 Quantitative: estimated reduced/avoided emissions (t-CO₂ eq) Qualitative: progress of qualitative actions 	 Measurement and Reporting process Estimated reduced/avoided emissions (t-CO₂ eq) 					
3. Carbon Neutrality	 Total amount of national emissions Total amount of sinks 	 Measurement and Reporting process Total amount of national emissions and sink 					
4. GHG Emission Reduction Target	 Absolute target: Total national emissions, deviation from BAU Intensity target: Carbon emission per GDP 	 Measurement and Reporting process Estimated value 					

Potential Elements to be covered by MRV Guideline for Different Categories of NAMAs

Categories	Measurement	Reporting	Verification			
Category I 1.Enabling Condition	 Guidance for measuring qualitative NAMAs (i.e. research, capacity development) 	 Frequency of reporting Reporting format Guidance to link with reporting tools 	 Indicators for verifying qualitative NAMAs Institutional arrangements for verification 			
Category II 2. Projects, Programs, Sectoral Measures	 Guidance for measurement by sectors and types of projects Methodology for estimating reduced/avoided emissions 	 Frequency of reporting Reporting format Guidance to link with existing reporting tools (biennial report, National Communications) 	 Indicators for verification by sectors and types of projects Indicators/steps for verifying baseline setting and methodology used 			
Category III 3. Carbon Neutral	 Guidance for utilizing GHG inventory guidelines (including sinks (LULUCF)) 	 Frequency of reporting Reporting format (follow GHG inventory guideline) Guidance to link with reporting tools 	 Indicators for verifying M and R process Indicators for verifying emissions and sinks Institutional arrangement s 			
Category IV 4. GHG Emission Reduction Target	 Guidance for utilizing GHG inventory guidelines methodologies for setting BAU 	 Frequency of reporting Reporting format (follow GHG inventory guideline) Guidance to link with reporting tools 	 Indicators for verifying M and R process Indicators for verifying estimated values Institutional arrangements for verification 			

Summary

- NAMAs submitted to the Appendix II of Copenhagen Accord can be categorized into 4 different groups.
- Different categories of NAMAs reflect diverse mitigation needs across non-Annex I Parties.
- To best meet the needs of non-Annex I Parties, a multilayered framework that differentiates MRV requirements by different types of NAMAs is proposed.
- International support should focus on NAMA readiness activities (i.e. institutional and technical capacity), whereas national level support should also be provided for upstream NAMAs (i.e. assisting with mainstreaming climate change and formulating action plans).

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