



*GEF Consultative Dialogue on
Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency:
Gaps [and challenges] in Implementing
Transparency-related Activities*



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Current situation

- Transitioning from periodic to enhanced biennial reporting
 - National GHG inventory report (enhanced)
 - Developing NDCs (every 5 years) and tracking progress on NDCs
 - Tracking support needed and received (financial, technology transfer and capacity building, etc.)
 - Also, information on impacts and adaptation
- Progress and experience
 - Most countries focusing on 3rd National Communications and Initial BURs
 - INDCs
- Capacity gaps remain, and important to recognize that needs/gaps vary by national circumstances (institutional, technical, etc.)

Institutional Capacity

- Institutional arrangements to allow for regular collection, management and analysis of data/information to support production of inventories, projections, and NDCs
 - Existence of lead agency/organization with clear mandates/authority/designation
 - Lack of coordinating institutional structure/mechanism with clear, designated roles/responsibilities
 - E.g. are agencies generating analysis, providing data, reviewing results, etc.?
 - Limited frameworks/mechanisms/procedures for collecting and managing data
 - Limited designated or “permanent” staff and high turnover of skilled people
 - Lack of integration of transparency activities into ministerial work programs/budgets
 - Limited planning/budget for ongoing training and to support maintaining “pool” of skilled staff

Technical Capacity

- Technical skills to apply good practice methods for inventory, projections and tracking NDCs in a transparent and accountable manner
 - Experience applying tools to facilitate GHG inventory compilation, project emissions, determine/update NDCs, and tracking of NDC progress in a sustainable manner
 - Incomplete data and information (e.g. AFOLU sector, climate support, etc.)
 - Inconsistent information (e.g. similar data collected by several institutions with different methods, etc.)
- Training/Learning-by-doing programs to build necessary technical skills
 - Including data collection/management, methodologies/accounting, implementation of MRV systems, including national inventories, projections, etc.
- Technology/ such as information systems, processing spatial data for understanding impacts of land use

Capacity integration with development and policy planning

- Limited integration of information between “inventory, projections, MRV, and NDC” efforts
- Limited integration of findings into broader decision-making programs and climate change strategies

Donor Coordination on CB efforts

- Projects with overlapping scope, partners
- Lack of forum for exchange by CB and Transparency practitioners on implementation approaches, tools and lessons learned, also country-to-country exchange
- Aligning resources/technical assistance with national planning