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Formulation of the Bangladesh Program of Action for Adaptation to Climate Change (NAPA)

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Introduction

- **NAPA will communicate priority activities addressing the urgent and immediate needs and concerns of the LDCs, relating to adaptation to the adverse effects of climate change.**
- **Activities proposed through NAPA would be those whose further delay could increase vulnerability, or lead to increased costs at large stage**



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- **The NAPA will be presented in the form of a document specifying a list of priority activities, with a concise justification based on a tight set of criteria**
- **NAPA document will not be an end in itself, but rather a means for the dissemination, by an LDC Party, of its proposal programme of action to address its urgent needs for adaptation.**



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Objective of NAPA

National adaptation programmes of action will serve as simplified and direct channels of communication for information relating to the urgent and immediate adaptation needs of the LDCs.



Characteristics of NAPA

NAPA should:

- Be easy to understand;**
- Be action oriented and country driven;**
- Set clear priorities for urgent and immediate adaptation activities as identified by the countries.**



Guiding Elements

The preparation of NAPA will be guided by the following:

- 1. A participatory process involving stakeholders, particularly local communities**
- 2. A multidisciplinary approach**
- 3. Sustainable Development**
- 4. Gender equality**
- 5. Sound environmental management**
- 6. Cost-effectiveness**
- 7. Simplicity**
- 8. Flexibility of procedures based on individual country circumstances**



Structure of the NAPA Document

