MEXICO’S VIEWS ON

Mexico is pleased to submit its views on possible elements of the gender action plan to be developed under the Lima Work Programme on Gender. (SBI 46)

GENERAL REMARKS

Since the decision to establish the Lima Work Program on Gender (18 / CP.20), Mexico has supported its implementation and welcomes decisions on the Paris Agreement that recognize climate change as a problem of humankind, and call Parties, in taking action, to respect, promote and take into account their respective obligations relating to human rights, gender equality, women’s empowerment and intergenerational equity.

It also welcomes art. 7/5 of Paris Agreement that acknowledge the Importance of implementing adaptation gender responsive actions, taking into consideration country-driven capacity building as an articulating axis, based on and responsive to national needs and guided by lessons learned (art. 11/2) to be an effective, iterative, participatory and cross-cutting process that consider gender issues as elements that reduce inequality gaps between women and men and promote equitable development processes.

In order to address the inequality gaps between women and men, it is important to consider the different contexts where they develop into, which are determined by the access to economic and social opportunities, as well as by the roles established in different stages of their life and the cultural and geographical differences of the places they inhabit.

Recognizing the importance of the Sustainable Development Agenda 2030, as well as the Decision / CP.22 on Gender and Climate, Mexico reiterates its interest in promoting the gender perspective by fostering inequalities reduction and support capacity building through the incorporation of visions that promote the articulation of the development and the climate agenda, through the national planning instruments. Therefore, it binds the Parties to:

- Make visible the importance of considering the effects of climate change and the implications of gender gaps for achieving an effective, inclusive and equitable planning to support the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals and Paris Agreement with an integral and crosscutting view.
- Strengthen, in national policy, the importance of including a gender perspective and climate change in all productive and social sectors, as well as national and regional development, in order to promote the exercise of economic, social and cultural rights
- Recognize that there are problems of inequality that women share in general, and at the same time, there are differentiated achievements in the exercise of human rights; therefore the knowledge generated and the solutions to address the challenges of climate change must be flexible enough to cover both issues, considering a climate gender responsive agenda.
- To bear in mind that the effective articulation of national and international policy instruments should have a positive impact on women and men at the local level.
- Strengthen mechanisms for generate data and information about social, economic, cultural, political and demographic conditions, that help to identify differentiated climate change vulnerability between women and men, and to establish criteria and actions at the national, regional and sectoral planning.
- Considering that generates information associated with losses and damages allow to make visible the gaps between women and men in terms of loss of life, adverse health impacts, abandonment of territory, loss of identity and social cohesion;
- Promote that the Gender Action Plan (GAP) make visible gender-responsive experiences that have succeed in generating changes in practices, processes and structures that facilitate gender-responsive adaptation to climate change and enable the exchange of knowledge and lessons learned
- Insist that there is a need to deepen the identification of “hot spots” (spatial and temporal analysis where inequality is critical) that need to be address by public policies in order to reduce current and future vulnerability to climate change.
• Invite Parties to include criteria and elements for strengthening the monitoring and evaluation of adaptation actions as part of their National Communications, plans and programs, in order to address gender gaps.