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Annotated agenda

Methodologies Panel eighty-third meeting

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Place of meeting: Virtual

*As per the practice of the Methodologies Panel, small groups will be organized to go into depth on certain issues. The meetings of the small groups shall be held virtually or through email exchange in the period 4 - 5 November 2020. The small groups shall report back to the Methodologies Panel at the second phase of the meeting for decision making.



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Annotations to the proposed agenda

Agenda item 1. Agenda and meeting organization

Agenda item 1.1. Opening

1. ► **Action:** The Chair of the Methodologies Panel (MP) shall open the 83rd meeting of the MP.

Agenda item 1.2. Adoption of the agenda

2. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to adopt the proposed agenda of the 83rd meeting.

Background: The agenda was drawn up based on submission requests and mandates from the clean development mechanism (CDM) Executive Board (hereinafter referred to as the Board).

3. ► **Action:** Members of the MP may wish to provide statements on any potential conflict of interest concerning the issues on the agenda for the meeting, and take action, as appropriate.

Background: In accordance with paragraph 30 of the “Terms of reference of the support structure of the CDM Executive Board” members of a panel or working group shall abide by the code of conduct of the Board. They shall declare whether they have a pecuniary or financial interest in an issue presented to them as a member of the panel or working group and refrain from participating in any discussion or decision on the issue.

Agenda item 2. Governance and management matters

Agenda item 2.1. Matters related to the MP

4. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of the update on the outcomes of the 107th meeting of the Board relevant to the work of the MP.

Background: There has been one Board meeting (EB 107) since the last MP meeting.

Agenda item 2.2. Upcoming deadlines of relevance to stakeholders

5. ► **Action:** The MP members may wish to confirm the deadline for submissions to be considered at the 84th meeting of the MP.

Background: The secretariat shall publish the deadlines for the submission of proposals of new methodologies, requests for revisions and requests for clarifications to be considered by the MP at its next meeting. The panel shall make every effort to initiate the consideration of the proposal at the meeting, considering the priorities set by the Chair of the panel for that meeting.

Agenda item 3. Regulatory matters

6. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of an overview of standardized baselines and proposed standardized baselines.

Background: The secretariat will brief the MP on the status of standardized baselines and top-down and bottom-up proposed standardized baselines processed in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines”.¹

7. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to take note of the update on relevant work carried out by consultants and desk reviews finalized since the last meeting of the MP.

Background: The secretariat will brief the MP on relevant work carried out by consultants and desk reviews finalized since the last meeting of the MP in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.²

Agenda item 3.1. Standards/tools

(a). Standards for CDM project activities and programmes of activities

8. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to consider the new standardized baseline “TSB0015: Baseline woody biomass consumption and fNRB for household cookstoves in Myanmar”.

Background: The Board at its 102nd meeting (EB 102 report, para. 35) considered a request from the designated national authority (DNA) of Myanmar to develop a top-down standardized baseline and approved the proposed development of the draft standardized baseline. The Board requested the secretariat to undertake the next steps in consultation with the DNA in accordance with the “Procedure for development, revision, clarification and update of standardized baselines”.

9. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to provide input on the assessment on the regulatory provisions related to the change and/or addition of technologies/measures to a registered project activity or programme of activities (PoA).

Background: The Board, at its 106th meeting (EB106 report, para. 34), considered the recommendation of the MP to provide a mandate to assess the regulatory provisions related to the change and/or addition of technologies/measures to a registered project activity or PoA and requested the secretariat, in consultation with the MP, to propose improvements including any illustrative examples in the related regulatory documents and present to the Board for its consideration at a future meeting.

¹ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at:
<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

² The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at:
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(b). Methodological standards for large-scale CDM project activities

(i). New methodologies and tools (large-scale)

10. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to consider the following proposed new large-scale methodologies:

- (a) “NM0377: Energy saving through the use of the reverse osmosis technology in the water desalination process”;
- (b) “NM0380: Recovery of methane-rich vapours from hydrocarbon storage tanks, separators or stabilization containers”.

Background: Development of new methodologies and tools are based on bottom-up submissions of proposed new methodologies or top-down processes in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.³

(ii). Revisions of approved methodologies and tools (large-scale)

11. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the revision of the following methodologies:

- (a) “ACM0003: Partial substitution of fossil fuels in cement or quicklime manufacture”;

Background: The Board, at its 101st meeting (EB 101 report, para. 35), requested the MP to revise ACM0003 to introduce reference to “TOOL16: Project and leakage emissions from biomass”. Further, the Board at its 102nd meeting (EB 102 report, para. 39) requested the MP to also consider issues in the methodology related to the “fuel penalty”.

- (b) “AM0036: Fuel switch from fossil fuels to biomass residues in heat generation equipment”;
- (c) “ACM0006: Electricity and heat generation from biomass”;
- (d) “ACM0018: Electricity generation from biomass in power-only plants”.

Background: The Board, at its 102nd meeting (EB 102 report, para. 41), requested the MP to revise the methodology ACM0006 to address inconsistencies and ambiguities in the language used therein, and revise the methodologies AM0036 and ACM0018 to ensure consistency across biomass methodologies.

12. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to initiate discussion on the revision of the following methodologies and methodological tool:

- (a) “AM0027: Substitution of CO₂ from fossil or mineral origin by CO₂ from renewable sources in the production of inorganic compounds”;

Background: The Board, at its 106th meeting (EB106 report, para. 41), requested the MP to revise the methodology “AM0027: Substitution of CO₂ from fossil or mineral origin by CO₂ from renewable sources in the production of inorganic compounds”. Further, the Board, at its 107th meeting (EB 107 report, para 36), requested the MP to improve the

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methodology to clarify the source of baseline CO₂, expand the eligibility of sources of CO₂ in the baseline and address provisions that could potentially lead to claiming emission reductions from CO₂ sequestration.

(b) “ACM0022: Alternative waste treatment processes”;

Background: The Board, at its 107th meeting (EB 107 report, para 37), requested the MP to revise the methodology to address inconsistencies and ambiguities identified in some parts of the methodology.

(c) “TOOL32: Positive lists of technologies”.

Background: As per paragraph 6 of the methodological tool (tool), the positive lists in the tool are valid up to 28 November 2021. Since there is no grace period to this tool, to avoid any gap in the validity of the tool and included positive lists, it is required to kick start the process to update the positive lists at the earliest possible.

13. ► **Action:** The MP wish to consider the revision of the methodological tool “TOOL27: Investment analysis” and open a call for public input after the meeting.

Background: The Board, at its eighty-fifth meeting (EB 85 report, para 50), requested the MP to update the default values for the cost of equity in the appendix to the tool annually.

(iii). Requests for clarification of methodologies and tools (large-scale)

14. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to consider the submitted requests for clarification:

(a) “AM_CLA_0286: Applying delayed passengers surveys for previous years” (regarding AM0101 ver. 2 and ACM0016 ver. 4);

(b) “AM_CLA_0287: Clarification request on the use of RDF in waste to energy project applying ACM0022” (regarding ACM0022 ver. 2).

Background: Requests for clarification are considered by the MP in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.⁴

(c). Methodological standard for small-scale CDM project activities

(i). New methodologies and tools (small-scale)

15. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the proposed new small-scale methodology “SSC-NM105: Switch from non-renewable biomass for electric cooking applications by the user”.

Background: Development of new methodologies and tools are based on bottom-up submissions of proposed new methodologies or top-down processes in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.⁵

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⁵ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at:
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16. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to initiate discussion on the proposed new small-scale methodology “SSC-NM106: Change in smallholder cattle emissions intensity”.

Background: Development of new methodologies and tools are based on bottom-up submissions of proposed new methodologies or top-down processes in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.⁶

(ii). Revisions to approved methodologies and tools (small-scale)

17. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to recommend for approval the following top-down revisions:

- (a) “AMS-I.E: Switch from non-renewable biomass for thermal applications by the user”;
- (b) “AMS-II.G: Energy efficiency measures in thermal applications of non-renewable biomass”;

Background: The Board, at its 105th meeting (EB105 report, para. 42), requested the MP to continue working on the issue of stove stacking to develop best practice examples for inclusion in methodologies AMS-I.E and AMS-II.G.

- (c) “TOOL30: Calculation of the fraction of non-renewable biomass”.

Background: In response to decision 2/CMP.15, paragraph 8, the Board, at its 106th meeting (EB106 report, para. 27) considered the concept note “Methodological approaches for calculating emission reductions from project activities, resulting in the reduced use of non-renewable biomass in households” and requested the MP and the secretariat to facilitate and streamline the application of TOOL30 “Calculation of the fraction of non-renewable biomass”.

(iii). Requests for clarification of methodologies and tools (small-scale)

18. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to consider the submitted requests for clarification:

- (a) “SSC_790: Clarification on applicability conditions of AMS-III.AU. and AMS-III.BF. for rice cultivation projects” (regarding AMS-III.AU. ver. 4 and AMS-III.BF. ver. 2);
- (b) “SSC_791: Clarification on NUE Seeds under AMS-III.BF” (regarding AMS-III.BF. ver. 2);
- (c) “SSC_796: Clarification regarding AMS-II.G. para 38 on the life span of stoves and the default replacement of devices after the end of their life span” (regarding AMS-II.G. ver. 11);
- (d) “SSC_798: Clarification about which electric grid shall be selected to determine the grid emission factor (EF_{el,y}) for baseline calculation in AMS-III.AJ” (regarding AMS-III.AJ. ver. 7).

⁶ The procedure is available on the UNFCCC website at:
<<http://cdm.unfccc.int/Reference/Procedures/index.html#meth>>.

Background: Requests for clarification are considered by the MP in accordance with the “Procedure: Development, revision and clarification of baseline and monitoring methodologies and methodological tools”.⁷

Agenda item 3.1.1. Post-registration changes

19. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no request for post-registration changes that requires input from the MP has been received since the last meeting of the MP.

Background: In accordance with the “CDM project cycle procedures for project activities”⁸, a designated operational entity (DOE) may submit a request for approval of post-registration changes. If the secretariat, during the preparation of the summary note, identifies issues that require input from a relevant panel, it shall place the case on the agenda of the next meeting of the panel.

Agenda item 3.1.2. Deviations from approved methodologies and tools

20. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to note that no request for deviation from small-scale or large-scale methodologies or tools has been received since the last meeting of the MP.

Background: In accordance with the “CDM project cycle procedures”⁹, a DOE may submit a request for deviation from an approved methodology or tool. If the secretariat, during the preparation of the summary note, identifies issues that require inputs from a relevant panel or working group, it shall place the case on the agenda of the next meeting of the panel or working group.

Agenda item 3.2. Other issues

21. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to finalize the concept note “Consistent use of market share, market saturation, market penetration and penetration rate”.

Background: The Board at its 105th meeting (EB105 report, para. 34), considered the concept note "Proposed work on market share, market saturation and penetration rate" and provided guidance to the MP for further work. While the Board welcomed the effort to standardize and harmonize the definitions of terminology, such as market share and market penetration, it emphasized that due care should be taken to ensure that observed data are used to compute the thresholds and not projections or assumptions on future developments. The Board requested the MP to continue working on the concept note.

Agenda item 4. Conclusion of the meeting

22. ► **Action:** The MP may wish to adopt the report of the 83rd meeting.

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