

# Post-Copenhagen Summit : Way Forward for Bangladesh

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# Copenhagen Accord

**Bali Action Plan in 2007 COP 13 with its 4 elements to complete negotiations by 2009 COP 15 at Copenhagen  
-Work only halfway through**

**\*A political framework presented in the form of Copenhagen Accord – not decided by COP15— only took note of it**

**\*Provides a new premise for further work and negotiations to complete by November 2010 at Mexico COP 16 in a two track process—AWG LCA and KP- at least five sessions of AWGs this year to complete the task of legally binding agreement/s**

# Issues under negotiation

## – Developed vs developing on mitigation

- How much to mitigate
- Who to mitigate
- When to mitigate
  - **Developing vs LDCs/AOSIS on all elements of BAP**
  - **4 country domination- China, India, Brazil and S. Africa + rise of 4 Latin American countries**
- **Time path of emission, Rate of emission cut by whom, mandatory or voluntary , MRV, acceptable temperature rise, acceptable CO2 concentration**

# Bangladesh View

- **Based on Bali Road Map of 4 inviolate principles- food, water, energy and livelihood security**
- **350 ppm CO<sub>2</sub>; temp rise no more than 1.5 degrees Celsius; 95% cut by 2050; 45% cut by 2020; peaking by 2015 – LDC position**
- **Preferential treatment for LDCs /SIDS / African countries under stress**

# Copenhagen Accord

- **Several countries vehemently opposed including Tuvalu, Sudan, Venezuela, Cuba, Bolivia, Nicaragua**
- **BASIC-China, India, Brazil, South Africa now support CA, Bangladesh associates with CA**
- **Not a COP decision to be legally binding - only a premise**
- **Not a perfect document as emission cuts not mentioned in figures, nor time paths – but to examine 1.5 degree case**
- **But narrows the choices on which to argue for future negotiations**
- **Preferential treatment accepted for LDCs**
- **Initial & future adaptation funding**
- **Yet a seed of discord has been sown**

# Bangladesh Points in Texts

- **LDCs exempted from mitigation except when supported**
- **National Communication accepted as proposed by Bangladesh as MRV vehicle for voluntary action**
- **LDCs preferential treatment in adaptation funding and tech transfer**
- **Build on NAPA experience, initiation of a process for mid-to-long term NAPA formulation and implementation in LDCs**
- **International Centre on Adaptation to be decided in COP 16**

# **Future Course for Bangladesh**

- Need to be diplomatically active from now on**
- Bangladesh already associates with the Accord, now needs to formulate national position for all five sessions of AWGs**
- More intensive negotiations ahead on**
  - Emission cuts**
  - Funding level and allocation rules to be in actual text as in Accord**
  - Has to remain alert**
  - To negotiate for a place in the High Panel on Finance**

# Way Forward for Bangladesh

- National consensus to be reached on Bangladesh position for negotiation
- For putting in place a workable institutional mechanism for negotiations in general and for funds, in particular- raising negotiation capacity with continuity and support for participation of expert negotiators with proven track record
- For making processes easier and simplified for greater absorption of funds— operationalisation of govt's own Climate Change Trust Fund + MDTF
- Implementation of a number of programmes out of 44 specific programmes identified in Bangladesh Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan 2009— water, agriculture, health and livelihood, infrastructure, capacity building and media
- Prompt and fast track accessing of UNFCCC kitty's like LDCF, Special Climate Change Fund, KP Adaptation Fund and new UNFCCC funding windows
- Mobilisation of bilateral funding to face adverse impacts of climate change
- Showcasing success stories nationally, regionally and globally
- Preparing community ensuring people's participation, involving private sector, professionals, media

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