4c) CTCN Input to the Joint Annual Report

6th Advisory Board Meeting
Draft Conclusions/Recommendations

1. Reporting on funding resources available for responding to requests (Decision 17/CP.20 para 19.)

CTCN was able to secure funds from voluntary bilateral sources for its operations in the period of 2013-2015 in line with the funding level endorsed by its advisory Board. In 2016 the planned budget amounts to USD 23.7 million, of which approximately USD 9 million of funds is so far secured for the operations beyond 2015. Over 70 percent of the CTCN budget will be allocated for responding to the requests by developing countries. For the whole of the five year operation period (2013-2018), a total of USD 34 million has been secured, with the remaining short fall of USD 66 million awaiting for financial support. The CTCN is at the moment engaged with bilateral donor countries on further support for its activities.
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2. Reporting on the consultations between the GEF and the CTCN on collaboration

GEF and CTCN, together with the representatives of the Regional Development Banks have held consultations on the collaboration on their respective technical assistance programs, latest being on 28th August in Manila. Regional Development Banks have also participated in the CTCN Regional Forums, and representatives of the CTCN attended meetings of the RDBs. CTCN has taken up a specific technical assistance response project, funded by the GEF-5 replenishment funds, which supports seven developing countries in preparing concrete mitigation actions fulfilling the GEF conditions.

The GEF, the CTCN and the Regional Development Banks have agreed to explore collaboration for the COP events, deliver joint messages about collaboration and further discuss how to establish the collaboration at country level and link technical assistance to financial support.
3. Institutional capacity building for the National Designated Entities

CTCN has received increasing indications at its Regional Forums, and when working with the CTCN technical assistance projects, that the developing country focal points need continued and sustained institutional support to manage and supervise their climate related commitments under the UNFCCC. The CTCN has partly responded to this need by establishing a specific Incubator Program for LDCs. Nevertheless, there is a need for more comprehensive institutional capacity support for all developing countries especially after the Paris COP 21 meeting, when technology needs to guide and inform the development of concrete commitments by countries.