



Fast-tracking preparation of the first biennial transparency report of Grenada

Background

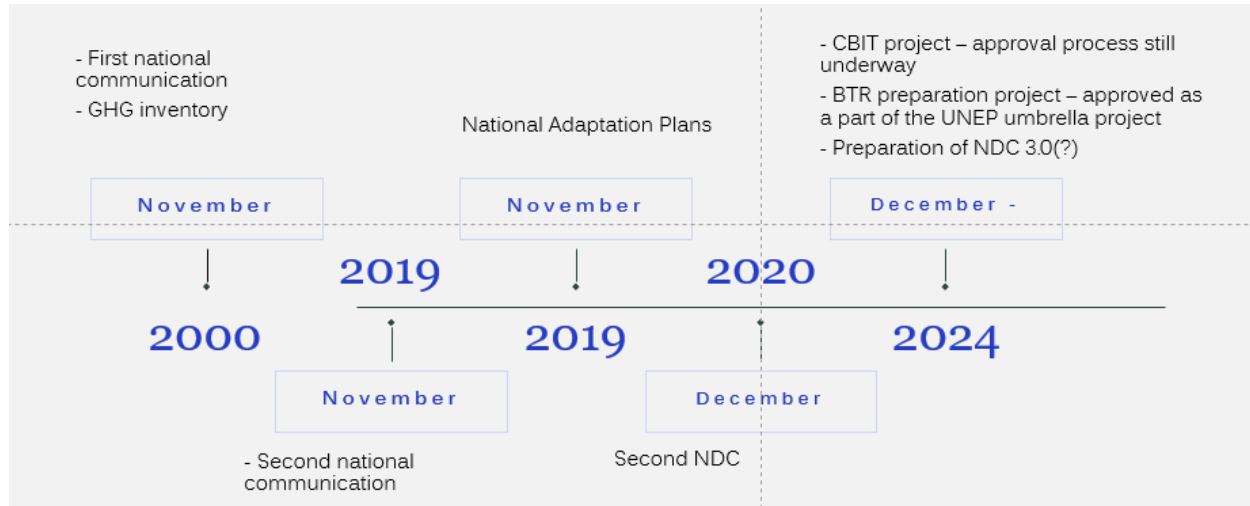
The Paris Agreement established the enhanced transparency framework (ETF) to promote clarity and understanding of climate action and support. The operationalization of the ETF is guided by the modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs) and corresponding common reporting tables, common tabular formats and outlines. The 3 core components of the ETF are reporting through the biennial transparency report (BTR), technical expert review (TER) and facilitative, multilateral consideration of progress (FMCP).

Countries that are Parties to the Paris Agreement are expected to submit their first BTR by 31 December 2024 and every two years thereon. However, owing to their special circumstances, least developed countries and small island developing States can submit this report at their discretion. The process to prepare a BTR and products stemming from it will:

- Enable countries to build a stronger evidence base to identify needs and set priorities on how to strengthen climate policies over time;
- Send donors and investors a clear signal about the scale of opportunity, as well as needs;
- Provide a better assessment of collective global progress on climate action, and where more action and support are needed;
- Include greenhouse gas inventories and information on tracking progress towards achieving NDCs, helping to build trust and enabling countries to prepare for the next round of NDCs, due in 2025.

In nutshell, the process of the preparation of BTR can be a vital enabling tool for all governments as it can crucial data to help make informed decisions, design stronger climate policies over time, attract climate finance and achieve broader development goals.

Upon request of the Government of Grenada, the UNFCCC secretariat and the GEF-funded Capacity-building Initiative for Transparency-Global Support Programme (CBIT-GSP) agreed to provide technical support to the national team of Grenada to prepare its first biennial transparency report. This note outlines the scope and timeline of the requested technical support. The technical support and work of the national team will build on and take into account the following on-going and planned activities.



Objective

The technical support will aim to fast-track the preparation of the first BTR of Grenada by developing the capacity of and assisting the national team through different stages of preparation of the BTR.

Components of support

The technical support will include 3 stages:

1. Stage 1 - Virtual engagement: a series of webinars will be organized in advance of Stage 2. These webinars will aim to equip the national team with relevant knowledge on key provisions of the ETF, including its modalities, procedures and guidelines, and different methodologies and approaches necessary for generating information and preparing the BTR. This will be implemented from 27 to 30 January 2025.
2. Stage 2 - In-person engagement in the form of a three- and half-day workshop in Grenada: the main objective of the workshop will be to engage in interactive exercises to promote further learning of concepts covered in Stage 1. The exercises will be designed in a manner that it results in stock-take of existing processes and data in the country that can be used as a basis to build on for the BTR work. It will also include mapping exercises to get a clear sense of what additional work needs to be done to fulfil the essential requirements of the BTR. These will culminate into a development of a roadmap for the BTR preparation with clear timeline and milestones. The workshop will be held from 18 to 21 February 2025.
3. Stage 3 - Mentoring phase: It is expected that the national team will be deployed to gather and prepare necessary data and information based on the roadmap developed in Stage 2. Depending on the need, the mentoring sessions will include a combination of periodic in-country visit by an external expert and virtual meetings with external experts whereby the external expert(s) will provide hands-on advice and technical input to the national



team. The exact timing of the mentoring sessions will be decided at a later stage depending on the progress of the work of the national team in preparing the BTR.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA – WEBINARS

Date & time	Topic
27 Jan 09:00 – 11:00 AST 14:00 – 16:00 CET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction (UNFCCC) • Overview of ETF and MPGs (UNFCCC)
28 Jan 09:00 – 11:00 AST 14:00 – 16:00 CET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National GHG inventories (CBIT-GSP)
29 Jan 09:00 – 11:00 AST 14:00 – 16:00 CET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracking progress of NDCs (CBIT-GSP)
30 Jan 09:00 – 11:00 AST 14:00 – 16:00 CET	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change impacts and adaptation action (UNFCCC) • Support needed and received (CBIT-GSP)

PROVISIONAL AGENDA – IN-PERSON WORKSHOP

Time	Day 1 – 18 February	
09:00 – 10:00	Arrival & Registrations	
10:00 – 10:45	Opening remarks by organizers and host country representatives	
10:45 – 11:15	Coffee Break	
11:15 – 11:30	Scene-setting: Aim of the workshop and expectations Introduction of the workshop participants	
11:30 – 12:15	Overview of key reporting provisions: BTR and NID outlines; and Common Reporting Tables and Common Tabular Formats	
12:15 – 13:00	Overview of the UNFCCC reporting tools	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	
	Parallel session 1 (national GHG inventory report preparation)	Parallel session 2: (Tracking progress of implementation and achievement of NDCs)
14:00 – 15:00	Reporting requirements: in-depth presentation of commonalities and differences between the NCs requirements and the BTR requirements; stock-take of existing data and mapping with the BTR requirements taking into account the flexibility provisions and	Reporting requirements: in-depth presentation of commonalities and differences between the NCs and BUR requirements and the BTR requirements; stock-take of existing data and mapping with the BTR requirements taking into account the flexibility provisions and identifying alternative data sources and proxy data



	identifying alternative data sources and proxy data Focus: energy sector	Focus: National circumstances and institutional arrangements
15:00 – 15:15	Coffee break	
15:15 – 16:45	Continue with the session Focus: energy sector	Continue with the session Focus: Information necessary to track progress (identification of indicators, methodology and/or accounting approach used)
16:45 – 17:00	Wrap up and plan for day 2	
Time	Day 2 – 19 February	
	Parallel session 1 (National GHG inventory report preparation)	Parallel session 2: (Tracking progress of implementation and achievement of NDCs)
09:00 – 11:00	Continue with the session Focus: AFOLU sector	Continue with the session Focus: Mitigation policies and measures, actions and plans
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break	
11:15 – 13:00	Continue with the session Focus: AFOLU sector	Continue with the session Focus: Summary and projections of greenhouse gas emissions and removals
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch break	
14:00 – 16:00	Continue with the session Focus: Waste sector	Interlinkage between the tracking progress of NDCs and work on NDC 3.0 Focus: NDC tracking – Projections of greenhouse gas emissions and removals
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee break	
16:15 – 17:00	Recap of the ETF reporting provisions on support needed and received, including some examples of best practices	
17:00 – 17:15	Wrap up and plan for day 3	
Time	Day 3 – 20 February	
09:00 – 09:45	Discussion forum: Technical discussion on information on financial, technology development and transfer and capacity building support Sharing of experiences by participants on current efforts to prepare information to report FTC chapter in the BTR, including their plan to include	



	FTC chapter in the BTR and their reporting-related challenges and support needed
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 11:30	Continue with the discussion forum on support needed and received
11:30 – 12:00	Reporting information on climate change impacts and adaptation
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch break
13:00 – 14:30	Discussion forum: Technical discussion on information related to climate change impacts and adaptation Sharing of experiences by participants on current efforts to prepare information to report adaptation chapter in the BTR, including their plan to include adaptation chapter in the BTR and their reporting-related challenges and support needed
14:30 – 15:00	Coffee break
15:00 – 16:00	Plenary discussion: BTR preparation roadmap and planning
16:00 – 16:15	Wrap up and plan for day 3
Time	Day 4 – 21 February
09:00 – 10:45	Plenary discussion: BTR preparation roadmap and planning
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 – 13:00	Final Q&A session Mentimeter feedback survey Closing remarks