Tracking Climate Finance: Azerbaijan

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Background info

Upon ratification of the UNFCCC in 1995 and the Kyoto Protocol of the Convention in 2000, the Republic of Azerbaijan has actively joined international efforts to mitigate the negative impacts of global climate change as a non-Annex I country. Up to date, 3 NCs and 2 BURs submitted.

For ensuring good coordination of the commitments stipulated in the UNFCCC, the State Commission on Climate Change was established in 1997.

The National Parliament of the Republic of Azerbaijan on April 14, 2015, ratified The Doha Amendment.

The country ratified the Paris Agreement in January 2017. Prior to it, INDC was submitted and Azerbaijan's GHG reduction target by 2030 is 35% using 1990 as the base year.

Gaps and barriers

> Strengthening institutional arrangements for the preparation of the national GHG inventory;

> Development of a data management system for tracking and archiving inventory data;

Development and application of methodologies to prepare emission scenarios and projections;

> Improvement of the national coordination mechanism for implementing the Paris Agreement, including its transparency mechanism.

> Development of a national tracking system as part of the approach to implement the country's Nationally Determined Contribution;

Integration of low-carbon and adaptation strategies into sectoral policies.

Tracking system

In Azerbaijan, the Ministry of Economic Development tracks socio-economic and environmental developments on an annual basis. The main purpose of this tracking is to appraise all sectoral achievements and synthesize them in a countrywide overview.

The information on on-going projects is collected by means of a special template that is used to request financial data.

There is no specific indicator for the collection of climate-related financing data.

CBIT project

Project outcomes:

1. Enhanced institutional capacity to report and monitor progress of the implementation of the country's Nationally Determined Contributions

Institutional arrangements for inter-ministerial cooperation on systemizing data collection and processing for preparing GHG inventory are established;

> National GHG database management system for GHG data is developed.

National system for tracking progress of the implementation of Azerbaijan's Nationally Determined Contributions for mitigation actions established and operationalized

> Training programme on enhanced transparency processes provided

Knowledge-sharing and coordination mechanism with the CBIT Global Coordination Platform established

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Project outcomes:

2. Enhanced institutional capacity to identify sources of funding and to track financial support;

Financial strategy outlining means to identify sources of funding needed, and to track financial support received, developed

Capacity building and training programme on identifying sources of funding and tracking financial support processes provided