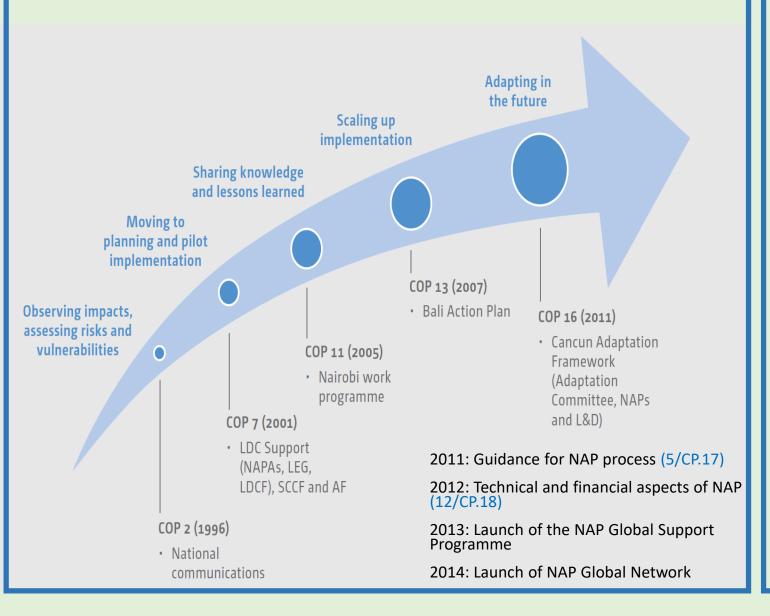
The National Adaptation Plan process and Gap Assessment

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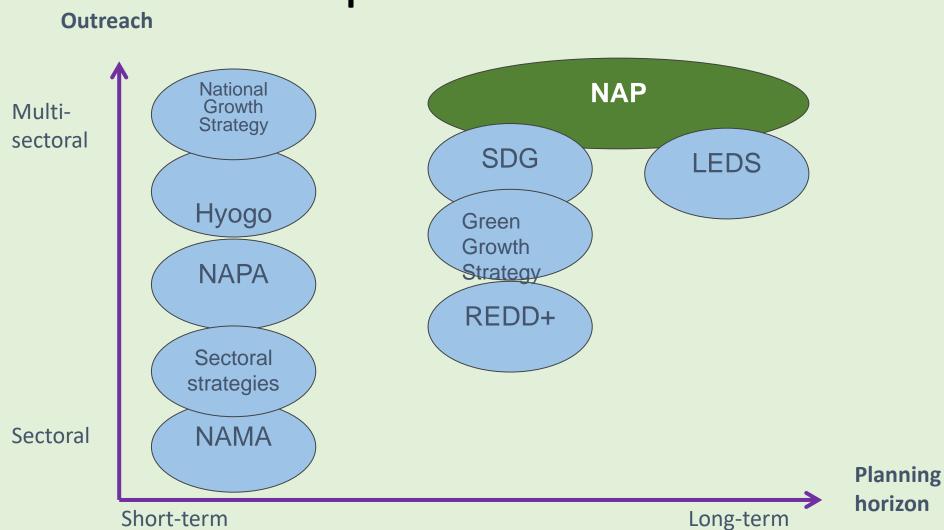


NAP Objectives

To reduce vulnerability to the impacts of climate change, by building adaptive capacity and resilience

To facilitate the integration of climate change adaptation, in a coherent manner, into relevant new and existing policies, programmes and activities, in particular development planning processes and strategies, within all relevant sectors and at different levels, as appropriate

NAP in the context of other relevant processes



LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES

NATIONAL ADAPTATION PLANS

Technical guidelines for the national adaptation plan process

LDC EXPERT GROUP, DECEMBER 2012



UNFCCC Guidance for NAP formulation and implementation

D. Reporting, Monitoring and Review

- Monitoring the NAP process
- Reviewing the NAP process to assess progress, effectiveness and gaps
- 3. Iteratively updating the national adaptation plans
- Outreach on the NAP process and reporting on progress and effectiveness

A. Laying the groundwork and addressing gaps

- 1. Initiating and launching of the NAP process
- Stocktaking: identifying available information on climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation and assessing gaps and needs of the enabling environment for the NAP process
- Addressing capacity gaps and weaknesses in undertaking the NAP process
- Comprehensively and iteratively assessing development needs and climate vulnerabilities

NAP process (elements and steps)

C. Implementation Strategy

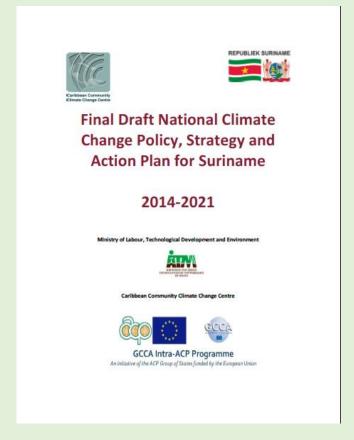
- Prioritizing climate change adaptation in national planning
- Developing a (long-term) national adaptation implementation strategy
- Enhancing capacity for planning and implementing adaptation
- Promoting coordination and synergy at the regional level and with other multilateral environmental agreement

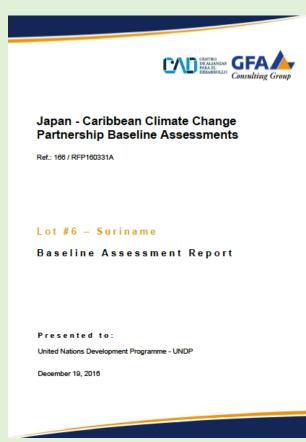
B. Preparatory Elements

- Analysing current climate and future climate change scenarios
- Assessing climate vulnerabilities and identifying adaptation options at the sector, subnational, national and other appropriate levels
- 3. Reviewing and appraising adaptation options
- Compiling and communicating national adaptation plans
- Integrating climate change adaptation into national and subnational development and sectoral planning

Gap Assessment for NAP formulation

- Second National Communication, February 2013
- Intended Nationally
 Determined Contribution
 (INDC) from the Republic of Suriname, September 2015
- National Climate Change Policy, Strategy and Action Plan for Suriname 2014-2021 (NCCPSAP), January 2015





Eight Criteria used to identify Gaps

1. Have we identified and assessed the institutional arrangements, programmes, policies and capacities for overall coordination and leadership for a NAP?

2. Is there sufficient data and information on climate change impacts, vulnerability and adaptation measures and iterative assessments to develop a successful NAP?

Eight Criteria used to Identify Gaps

3. Can we inventory activities aimed at integrating climate change adaptation into national and subnational development and sectoral planning?

4. Can we account for participatory and gender sensitive

Eight Criteria used to Identify Gaps

5. Can we effectively prioritize work according to development needs and climate change vulnerability and risk?

6. Can we inform training and coordination plans of the NAP at the sectoral and subnational levels including public dissemination of information on the national adaptation plan process?

Criteria used to Identify Gaps

7. Can we inform the need for technology development, transfer and opportunities to attract investment and finance for climate compatible development?

8. Do our systems enable incorporating new assessments and science, monitor adaptation efforts, report progress and make planning and implementation adjustments as needed?

Plenary Discussion

How do you see the NAP process enriching and adding value to national climate change adaptation efforts and promoting mainstreaming?

What are the priority GAPs that need to be filled to move the NAP forward and how can they be filled?