Subject: Invitation to participate in scoping mission for NDC implementation

Dear Sir/Madam,

Ministry of Forests and Environment and the NDC Partnership Support Unit would like to invite you to a roundtable meeting on the sectoral perspectives on implementation status of Nepal’s NDC on 31 July, 2018. The meeting will take place from 10:30 am – 5:00 pm at hotel Yak & Yeti. You are also welcome to join a reception hosted by the NDC Partnership Support Unit at the hotel from 5pm onwards.

The NDC Partnership is a coalition of countries and institutions working to mobilize support and achieve ambitious climate goals while enhancing Sustainable Development. Nepal joined the NDC Partnership in June 2018 and has appointed focal points from the Ministry of Forest and Environment and the National Planning Commission. More details of the Partnership can be found at www.ndcpartnership.org.

The objectives of the program are to understand the status of Nepal’s NDC implementation, identify areas of support and priority needs per NDC sector, map ongoing support programmes, and agree on way forwards. The results of this mission will be the basis for the Government to formally communicate priority support needs.

The meeting will be focused on interactive discussion. Background information with detailed agenda is enclosed.

Ram Prasad Lamsal (Ph.D)
Joint Secretary

Note: Please confirm your participation with Ms. Anupa Ghimire (mob no 9841844441, email id ghimire.anupa@gmail.com) or Ms. Brenda Huerta (BrendaHuerta@ndcpartnership.org) by 26 July, 2018.
NDC Partnership scoping mission to Nepal

Background

Nepal’s Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC), submitted in October 2016, is more ambitious than its Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC) submitted previously. Key components of its NDCs are as follows:

- Diversify energy mix and energy consumption patterns to more renewable and other economically productive sectors; conditional on technical and financial supports from development partners to provide technologies and build capacity;
- By 2050, achieve 80% electrification through renewable energy sources having appropriate energy mix. Also, reduce its dependency on fossil fuels by 50%;
- By 2020, expand energy mix focusing on renewables by 20% and diversifying its energy consumption pattern to more industrial and commercial sectors;
- By 2020, increase the share of electric vehicle up to 20% from 2010 level;
- By 2050, decrease dependency on fossils in the transport sector by 50% through effective mass public transport means while promoting energy efficient and electrical vehicles;
- Maintain 40% of the total area of the country under forest cover and forest productivity through sustainable management of forests.

Nepal became signatory to the Paris Agreement on 22 April 2016 and ratified the Paris Agreement on 05 October 2016.

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Objectives

- Familiarize relevant stakeholders about NDC Partnership’s country engagement strategy and the services it offers;
- Meet with NDC Partnership Focal Points and other relevant Government representatives to understand the status of Nepal’s NDC implementation;
- Meet with representatives of international agencies to map/understand ongoing NDC support programmes;
- Discuss challenges and identify priority areas of support for the implementation of Nepal’s NDC;
- Agree on next steps for NDCP’s engagement in Nepal.
31 July 2018: Roundtable meeting with International Partners + Bilateral meetings

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**Guiding questions for discussions with implementing partners**

1. Which of your organization’s projects/programmes are supporting NDC implementation, which key sectors are supported and what projects are in pipeline?
2. How does your organization/institution usually respond to government requests? What is the process?
3. Where do you see bottlenecks and challenges coming up regarding the country’s NDC implementation (capacity building, climate finance, MRV, mitigation, adaptation, coordination, etc.)?
4. How is the setup of the donor coordination mechanism in Nepal?