



Session I

Introduction on topics, points of discussion and presentations in this working group session

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Objective of this session

- To know the updates of National Communication (NC), Biennial Update Report (BUR) & International Consultation Analysis (ICA)

Note: Please also refer to previous WGIA session. (Introduction to the Preparation of Biennial Update Reports (BURs) in WGIA 11)

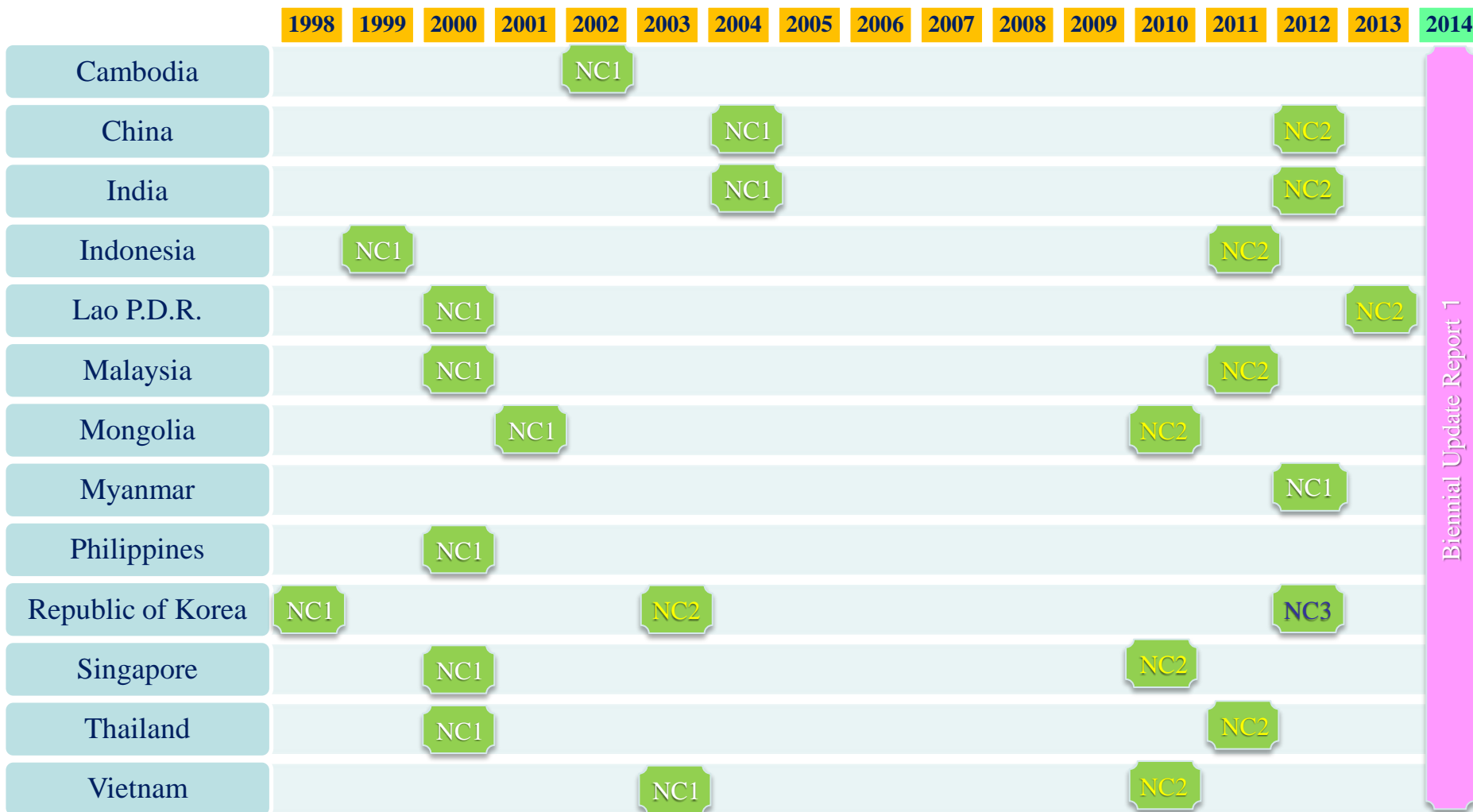


NC submission status

Based on information from UNFCCC web site

Submitted

Planned to submit



Biennial Update Report 1

*NC: National Communication

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Relevant Article of the Convention

- Decision 1/CP.16 – Cancun
 - National communications
 - *Frequency: 4 years*
 - Biennial Update Reports

- Decision 2/CP.17- Durban
 - Submission of first BUR by December 2014
 - Subsequently every 2 years
 - 1. *Summary of parts of NC* 2. *Stand alone update report*
 - Inventory year
 - *Minimum, no more than four years prior to the date of submission or more recent*
 - *Subsequent...does not precede by more than four years*
 - First round of the ICA (non Annex I) will commence within six months of submission of the first round of BUR
 - To review and revise the modalities and guidelines as appropriate, in accordance with decisions of the COP



Modalities and guidelines for ICA

- ICA aims to increase the transparency of mitigation actions and their effects
- ICA is non-intrusive, non-punitive and respectful of national sovereignty



Modalities and guidelines for ICA (cont)

- (a) That the first rounds of ICA will be conducted for developing Parties, commencing within six months of the submission of the first round of biennial update reports by developing country Parties;
- (b) That the frequency of participation in subsequent rounds of ICA by developing Parties, based on their respective capabilities and national circumstances, and special flexibility for small island developing States and the least developed country Parties, will be determined by the frequency of the submission of BURs;
- (c) To revise the modalities and guidelines prescribed herein based on experiences gained in the first round of ICA, no later than 2017;
- (d) That small island developing States and the least developed country Parties may undergo ICA as a group of Parties at their discretion.



Challenges for NAI Parties

- NAI Parties need to submit BUR continuously.
- Not only submissions, but also ICA will be conducted.
- ICA is first time for NAI Parties.
- UNFCCC secretariat will provide Updates of NCs, BURs and ICA in international negotiations in this session.
- UNEP will provide the information of support for NCs and BURs.



Timetable for session I

Schedule	Title	Presenter
15:45 – 16:00	Introduction	Hiroshi Ito
16:00 – 16:20	The Measurement, Reporting and Verification framework for Non-Annex I Parties under the Convention	Mrs. Alma Jean (UNFCCC) (via skype)
16:20 – 16:40	UNEP-GEF Programmes & Projects for Supporting Capacity-Building in Climate Change Mitigation	Mr. Conrado Heruela (UNEP)
16:40 – 17:00	Questions and Answers	All



Let's start the session!

- Please share your countries' situation after their presentations (if any).
- Please also keep in mind that we will discuss more detail about the BUR in session II tomorrow!

