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Dear **ED,**

**RE: SUBMISSION OF KENYA'S HOST PARTY PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ARTICLE 6.4 MECHANISM**

The above subject matter herein refers.

The Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Environment, Climate Change and Forestry vide Kenya Gazette Notice 223 dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2024 appointed the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA Kenya) to serve as the Designated National Authority on carbon markets (DNA Kenya).

Against this background therefore, please find enclosed Kenya's Host Party Participation Requirements for the Article 6.4 Mechanism.

Kindly accept, Sir, the assurances of our highest consideration.

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**HOST PARTY PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS  
FOR ARTICLE 6.4 MECHANISM  
(Version 02.0)**

SECTION 1: GENERAL INFORMATION	
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SECTION 2: PARTICIPATION RESPONSIBILITIES	
Is your country a Party to the Paris Agreement?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has your country prepared, communicated, and is it maintaining a Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 2 of the Paris Agreement?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has your country designated a Designated National Authority (DNA) for the Article 6.4 mechanism and communicated that designation to the UNFCCC secretariat?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Please describe how your country's participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism contributes to sustainable development, while acknowledging that the consideration of sustainable development is a national prerogative.**

Kenya's participation in the Article 6.4 mechanism is guided by national priorities as outlined in the Constitution of Kenya (2010), Vision 2030, the Climate Change Act, Cap.387A, and the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).

The Constitution of Kenya enshrines sustainable development as a national value and principle of governance. Further, it provides every person the right to a clean and healthy environment. This right is not only individual but also collective, extending to the duty to safeguard the environment for the benefit of both present and future generations. It underscores a national commitment to development that is ecologically responsible, socially equitable, and economically viable. The Constitution further enjoins every individual to work in cooperation with State organs and other actors to protect and conserve the environment, and to advance the sustainable use of natural resources for the long-term well-being of the nation.

The Climate Change Act, Cap. 387A provides for a regulatory framework for enhanced response to climate change and establishes mechanisms and measures to achieve low carbon climate development for the sustainable development of Kenya. Kenya intends to participate in market mechanisms and any other mechanisms derived from Article 6 of the Paris Agreement. The Act provides for the development of subsidiary legislations for carbon markets governance. These are: - the Climate Change (Carbon Markets) Regulations 2024, Climate Change (Carbon Trading) Regulations, the Climate Change (Carbon Registry) Regulations and the draft Climate Change (Non-Market Approaches) Regulations.

The Kenya Vision 2030 aims to transform Kenya into a newly industrializing, globally competitive, and prosperous upper middle-income country with a high quality of life for all citizens by 2030. The Vision is delivered through five-year Medium-Term Plans (MTPs) and is now in its fourth implementation phase (MTP IV), covering the period 2023 - 2027.

National Determined Contributions (NDCs): Kenya communicated an update of its first nationally determined contributions in 2020 covering the period up to 2030. The NDC details the domestic mitigation measures that it intends to achieve. In her NDC (2020), Kenya indicates to use voluntary cooperation under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement across all sectors of the economy.

The mechanism is expected to catalyze low-carbon investment, create green jobs, and enhance technology transfer across sectors. Kenya is currently developing the national framework to operationalize Article 6, including procedures for developing a carbon project. The framework has embedded environment and social safeguards and a mechanism on benefits sharing including the principle for free and prior informed consent when entering into Community Development Agreements for carbon projects implemented on community land. Kenya views the Article 6.4 mechanism as a strategic instrument to advance inclusive, resilient, and sustainable development.

Please provide detailed information on the types of activities under Article 6, paragraph 4 (A6.4 activities) that your country would consider approving pursuant to chapter V.C (Approval and Authorization) of the Rules, Modalities and Procedures (RMPs).

Additionally, explain how these activities, and any associated emission reductions or removals, would contribute to the achievement of your country's NDC, if applicable, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy, if it has submitted one, and the long-term goals of the Paris Agreement?

## 1. Types of A6.4 Activities Kenya Would Approve:

Kenya prioritizes high-integrity, sustainable, and transformative projects under Article 6.4, in line with Chapter V.C of the Rules Modalities and Procedures of A6.4 of the Paris Agreement, in the light of Kenya's national circumstances. The following sectors and activities are eligible for approval:

SECTOR	TECHNOLOGY
Energy	Renewable Energy Energy Efficiency <sup>1</sup>
Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electric Mobility</li> <li>• Sustainable Fuels</li> <li>- Sustainable Aviation Fuels</li> <li>- Biofuels</li> </ul>
Agriculture, Forestry and Land Use (AFOLU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Afforestation/Reforestation</li> <li>• REDD+</li> <li>• Agroforestry &amp; Sustainable Agriculture</li> </ul>
Industrial Processes and Product Use (IPPU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Industrial energy efficiency</li> <li>• Waste heat recovery and utilization</li> <li>• Industrial heat generation using renewable energy and its utilization</li> <li>• Fuel substitution<sup>2</sup></li> <li>• Process efficiency improvement</li> </ul>
Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Waste to Energy</li> <li>• Landfill gas</li> </ul>

## 2. Contribution to Kenya's NDC

Kenya's NDC (updated 2020) targets a 32% GHG reduction by 2030 (143 MtCO<sub>2e</sub> below BAU). Article 6.4 activities will contribute through:

- Mitigation: Direct emission reductions to meet the mitigation target
- Adaptation Co-Benefits through the implementation of the mitigation interventions.
- Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Synergies and co-benefits: The A6.4 activities must demonstrate their synergy and yield sustainable development co-benefits to the respective SDGs

Please provide any additional information that the host Party may deem necessary (optional)<sup>3</sup>:

Baseline approaches and other methodological requirements, including additionality, to be applied for A6.4 activities that it intends to host, in addition and subject to and consistent with the RMPs, under the supervision of the Supervisory Body, and subject to further relevant decisions of the CMA, with an explanation of how those approaches and requirements are compatible with its NDC and, if it has submitted one, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy.

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Crediting periods to be applied for A6.4 activities that it intends to host, including whether the crediting periods may be renewed, subject to the RMPs and under the supervision of the Supervisory Body, and in accordance with further relevant decisions of the CMA, with an explanation of how those crediting periods are compatible with its NDC and, if it has submitted one, its long-term low GHG emission development strategy:

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Definition of first transfer pursuant to decision 2/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 2(b)<sup>4</sup> as:

- The authorization
- The issuance
- The use or cancellation of the A6.4ERs

Exemption from the waiver for share of proceeds for adaptation for LDCs and SIDS<sup>5</sup>

Is the host Party an LDC or SIDS:

Yes  No

The host Party chooses not to exempt all projects or PoAs and CPs from the share of proceeds for adaptation<sup>6</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Includes appliance energy efficiency, building energy efficiency and conservation, etc. Excludes xxx

<sup>2</sup> Excludes substitution to biomass fuels.

<sup>3</sup> The host Party may optionally provide additional information on: i) Baseline approaches and other methodological requirements, including additionality, to be applied for Article 6.4 activities as per decision 3/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 27; ii). Crediting periods to be applied for Article 6.4 activities that it intends to host, including whether the crediting periods may be renewed as per decision 3/CMA.3, annex 3, paragraph 27(b); iii) First transfer in case it intends to authorize A6.4ERs for other international mitigation purposes as per decision 2/CMA.3, annex, paragraph 2(b); iv) statement on exemption from the waiver for share of proceeds for adaptation for LDCs and SIDS of all projects or PoAs and CPs.

<sup>4</sup> Decision 2/CMA.3, annex, as contained in document FCCC/PA/CMA/2021/10/Add.1. Available at: [https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021\\_10a01E.pdf](https://unfccc.int/sites/default/files/resource/cma2021_10a01E.pdf).

<sup>5</sup> This provision is only applicable to LDCs and SIDS and is to be checked if the LDC/SIDS hosting the projects or PoAs and CPs therein, chooses not to exempt all project activities or PoAs and CPs from the share of proceeds for adaptation or may be indicated for each project or PoA and CPs at the time of approval of the project or PoA.

<sup>6</sup> Please see footnote 3.

Any additional information:

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### Document information

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