<u>Second Development Partners Climate</u> <u>Group Coordination meeting held in</u> <u>Ashqabat</u>

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UN Development Programme (UNDP) and British Embassy in Turkmenistan convened a second Development Partners Climate Group Coordination meeting on 19 October 2021.



The meeting aimed to continue an established dialogue to support the government of Turkmenistan in the implementation of development projects in the area of environment and climate change.

The meeting covered a range of climate-themed issues including:

- preparation for the <u>Climate Summit COP26</u> in Glasgow, UK, in November 2021
- Turkmenistan's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)
- ongoing programme initiatives in Turkmenistan to achieve its national priorities to address climate change issues

In her speech, Ms. Narine Sahakyan, UNDP Resident Presentative in Turkmenistan said:

I am delighted to join this important meeting to discuss and exchange views on current and planned initiatives in support to the country's efforts on increasing resilience of Turkmenistan to the impacts of climate change.

Mr. John Hamilton, Deputy Head of Mission of the UK Embassy in Turkmenistan, said:

We need all countries to work together to reach an ambitious, comprehensive and balanced negotiated outcome at COP26 in Glasgow, that leaves no issue and no Party behind.

The British Embassy in Ashgabat is pleased to be working with the UN Resident Coordinator's Office, UNDP and national partners to help Turkmenistan get ready for COP26. We are also ready to be working together with all like-minded partners to further support the national efforts of the Government of Turkmenistan to tackle climate change in the coming years.

During the meeting, the representatives of the government of Turkmenistan briefed participants on the preparation of the visit of High-level Turkmen delegation to Glasgow Summit and joined discussions on the preparation of the country's new Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) currently being developed under coordination of UNDP Turkmenistan.

The Office of the UN Resident Coordinator briefed on the Final Summary of Youth Initiatives to be presented at the UN Climate Change Conference of Youth (COY16) developed as an outcome document of the first ever <u>Youth Conference on Climate organized by the United Nations in Turkmenistan</u>, UK Embassy and the government of Turkmenistan on 8 October 2021 in Ashgabat.

The Development Partners Climate Group Coordination meeting is convened regularly serving as a strong coordination mechanism to develop and provide a valuable support to Turkmenistan's climate action and climate change resilience efforts.

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