

## CC-10/2: Submission regarding Bhutan

The Committee,

Recalling the submission by the Secretariat to the Committee regarding Bhutan concerning possible difficulties faced by this party to comply with its reporting obligation under Article 13 paragraph 3 of the Convention (CHW/CC/9c/2010/1),

Recalling also decisions 8/2 and 9/2,

Recalling further decision BC-11/8 whereby the Conference of the Parties authorizes the Committee to make recommendations to the Executive Secretary on the use of the implementation fund in the intersessional period between the eleventh and twelfth meetings of the Conference of the Parties in the context of the facilitation procedure set out in paragraphs 19 and 20 of the terms of reference, to fund activities listed in the compliance action plans approved by the Committee;

Without prejudice to future decisions by the Committee related to this or other specific submissions,

1. Welcomes the submission by Bhutan of part I of the Revised Questionnaire on “Transmission of Information” (in accordance with Articles 13 & 16 of the Basel Convention) - National Report for 2010 and 2011<sup>1</sup>;
2. Notes that Bhutan has provided incomplete responses to part I of the questionnaires for 2010 and 2011;
3. Notes also that Bhutan has not made use of the funding approved by the Committee in its decision 9/2 for the purpose of covering costs associated with the approved elements of Bhutan’s compliance action plan;
4. Expresses its appreciation for the cooperation of Bhutan with the Committee during its tenth meeting and for its continued commitment to ensure the implementation of its obligations under the Basel Convention;
5. Welcomes the willingness of Bhutan to participate in training activities on national reporting, including by electronic means, and to submit to the Secretariat before the eleventh meeting of the Committee its national report for 2012;
6. Recommends that Bhutan cooperate with a Basel Convention Regional Centre in the Asian region;
7. Recommends that the Executive Secretary use, subject to their availability, resources in the implementation fund of up to USD 50,000 for the purpose of covering costs associated with the implementation of the activities listed in the compliance action plan approved by the Committee in its decision 9/2, namely:
  - (a) Training on the development of inventories;
  - (b) The establishment of the methodology for the inventory (including systems and databases);
  - (c) The development of an inventory;
8. Consequently, and in accordance with its obligations under Article 13 of the Convention, invites Bhutan to submit to the Secretariat its national report for 2013 by the end of 2014, and subsequent national reports complete and in time;
9. Requests the Secretariat to communicate this decision to the Basel Convention regional centres in the Asian region;

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<sup>1</sup> UNEP/CHW/CC.10/3/Add.2, annex II.

10. Requests the Secretariat to continue its communications with and support to Bhutan and to report to the Committee as appropriate;
11. Decides to keep this matter under review.