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Guidance for Participants

The 2025 Intersessional Meeting is divided into thematic matters. Delegations are encouraged to prepare presentations using the questions provided in this document and place an emphasis on providing only new information since the Fifth Review Conference.

Given the volume of work that must be dealt with during this year's Intersessional Meetings, unless otherwise indicated **delegations providing updates on progress in implementation of their commitments under the Convention are asked to limit their interventions to 5 minutes. Other States Parties and organisations that wish to take the floor following the interventions from these States Parties are asked to limit their interventions to 3 minutes.** Delegations are requested to transmit the additional information that cannot be covered within the time allocated for presentations in a lengthier document that can be made available to all participants through the Convention's website by the Implementation Support Unit (ISU), preferably in advance of the Intersessional Meetings if possible.

Finally, in preparing presentations, delegations are **encouraged to reflect on gender and diversity matters and, where possible, include age- and sex-disaggregated data as well as matters related to the integration of environmental considerations in implementation.**

Agenda item 3: Matters related to the mandate of the Committee on Victim Assistance

During this agenda item the Committee will present its preliminary observations on the implementation by States Parties of their victim assistance commitments under the *Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029* (Actions 30 to 39) and invite relevant States Parties to offer updates.

Following the presentation by the Committee and relevant States Parties, other States Parties and organisations will be invited to take the floor to address matters related to the updated information presented by delegations.

Questions for States Parties implementing victim assistance commitments under the Convention

1. What efforts have been made by your state to ensure the sustainability of victim assistance (VA) including designating relevant government entity as the focal point to coordinate VA and oversee and enhance its integration into broader national policies, plans, budgets, and legal frameworks to ensure its sustainability, including upon Article 5 completion?

2. What interministerial and multi-sectoral coordination mechanism is in place to support implementation of your State's victim assistance commitments?
3. What are the main elements of your State plan to address the needs and rights of mine victims?
4. What progress has your State made in identifying all mine and other explosive ordnance victims and collecting accurate and comprehensive information on their needs, challenges and geographic locations?
5. What progress has been made to increase the well-being and guarantee the rights of mine victims since the last update provided at the Fifth Review Conference in line with the *Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029 (i.e., Action 33 – Action 39)* ?
6. What are the main challenges and priorities for assistance of your State to ensure implementation of the victim assistance actions of the Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan?

Agenda item 4: Matters related to the mandate of the Committee on Article 5 Implementation

During this agenda item the Committee will present its preliminary observations on the implementation of Article 5 and on the implementation of the mine clearance and mine risk education and reduction actions of the *Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029* (Actions 17 – Action 29) and invite relevant States Parties to offer updates in accordance with the categories of States Parties stipulated below.

States Parties requesting an extension of their Article 5 deadline in 2025 are invited to offer an overview of their extension request (presentations should be 7-8 minutes and additional guidance will be provided by the Committee) followed by an invitation for other States Parties and organisations to take the floor (3 minutes) to address matters related to that State Party's request for extension. This process will continue alphabetically with each requesting State Party.

Questions to consider in the presentations by States Parties that have requested or have indicated that they will request extensions of their Article 5 deadlines (5-8 minutes)

1. What are the circumstances that impede your State's ability to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control?
2. What work remains in order for your State to be in compliance with its obligation to have destroyed or ensured the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control?
3. What is the amount of time requested and rationale for this request?
4. What is your State's plan to destroy or ensure the destruction of all anti-personnel mines in mined areas under its jurisdiction or control?
5. What, if any, are the main challenges faced and what are the priorities for external assistance in the fulfilment of your State's Article 5 obligations up to and during the requested extension period?

States Parties submitting updated work plans in light of decisions on previously granted extension requests are invited to present their progress in implementation (presentations should be 5 minutes.

Additional guidance will be provided by the Committee) followed by an invitation to other States Parties and organisations to take the floor (3 minutes) to address matters related to the updated information presented by delegations.

Questions for consideration in the presentations by States Parties submitting updated work plans (5 minutes)

1. What progress has your State made in the implementation of its national demining programme since the last update provided to the States Parties at the Fifth Review Conference?
2. What work remains in order for your State to be in compliance with its Article 5 obligations?
3. What is your State plan for implementation of Article 5?
4. Is your State on track to fulfilling its mine clearance obligations under Article 5 by its deadline?
5. What, if any, are the main challenges faced and what are your priorities for external assistance to support your State's fulfilment of its Article 5 obligations?

Other States Parties implementing Article 5 obligations will be invited to present their progress in implementation (presentations should be 5 minutes) followed by an invitation to other States Parties and organisations to take the floor (3 minutes) to address matters related to the updated information presented by delegations.

Questions for consideration in the presentations by all other States Parties in the process of implementing Article 5 (5 minutes)

1. What progress has been made in the implementation of your State's national demining programme since the last update provided to the States Parties at the Fifth Review Conference?
2. What work remains in order for your State to be in compliance with its Article 5 obligations?
3. What is your State's plan for the implementation of Article 5?
4. Is your State on track to fulfilling its mine clearance obligations under Article 5 by its deadline?
5. What, if any, are the main challenges faced and what are your priorities for external assistance to support your State's fulfilment of its Article 5 obligations?

Lastly, other States Parties and organisations with general remarks on Article 5 implementation will be given the floor (3 minutes).

Agenda item 5: Matters related to the mandate of the Committee on the Enhancement of Cooperation and Assistance

During this agenda item the Committee is to present its preliminary observations on the Committee's efforts to promote cooperation and assistance and facilitate the fostering of partnerships for the implementation of Article 6 and implementation of the relevant actions of the *Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029 (Actions 40 – Action 45)*.

Following the presentation by the Committee, States Parties and organisations will be invited to take the floor to address matters related to the information presented by delegations.

Questions for consideration by States Parties seeking assistance

1. What efforts has your State carried out to ensure integration of Convention implementation activities into national development plans, strategies and budgets?
2. What efforts has your State made to strengthen national level coordination including by ensuring regular dialogue with national and international stakeholders on progress and challenges in implementation and requirements for assistance including by establishing an appropriate National Mine Action Platform?
3. What efforts has your State made to commit the resources needed to meet its Convention obligations as soon as possible and explore all possible funding sources including conventional and alternative/innovative sources and mechanisms of funding such as front loading models?
4. Has your State engaged in international, regional, and bilateral cooperation including between affected States Parties or triangular cooperation for the voluntary sharing of national experiences and good practices?

Questions for consideration by States Parties in a position to provide assistance

1. Since the Fifth Review Conference has your State provided assistance to affected States Parties in the implementation of their obligations under the Convention?
2. How has your State effectively used all possible avenues to support States Parties seeking assistance to complete implementation of their mine clearance obligations and to support mine risk education, stockpile destruction, adoption of appropriate national implementation measures, as well as meeting victims' needs and guaranteeing their rights?
3. What efforts has your State carried out to coordinate its efforts with other States in a position to provide assistance?
4. Has your State engaged in international, regional, and bilateral cooperation including between affected States Parties or triangular cooperation for the voluntary sharing of national experiences and good practices?

Agenda item 6: Matters related to the mandate of the Committee on Cooperative Compliance

During this agenda item the Committee will present its preliminary observations and invite relevant States Parties to offer updates, in accordance with the *Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029* (Actions 46 and 48), on the situation in their State, on ongoing investigations and on measures in place to prevent and suppress activities prohibited by the Convention.

Following the presentation by the Committee and relevant States Parties, other States Parties and organisations will be invited to take the floor to address matters related to the updated information presented by delegations.

Questions for consideration by States Parties in which allegations of use of anti-personnel mines have been reported (Agenda item 6)

1. Can your State provide updated information on measures taken to address the allegations or confirmed use of anti-personnel mines in your State?
2. If it has not yet done so, what progress has your State made to take all appropriate legal, administrative and other measures to prevent and suppress any activity that is prohibited under this Convention undertaken by persons or on territory under its jurisdiction or control?

Questions for consideration by all States Parties (Agenda item 6)

If it has not yet done so, what progress has your State made to take all appropriate legal, administrative and other measures to prevent and suppress any activity that is prohibited under this Convention undertaken by persons or on territory under its jurisdiction or control?

Agenda item 7: Matters related to the mandate of the President

Universalization

During this agenda item the President is to present activities undertaken on universalization. The President will then invite interested States not party participating in the meeting to take the floor to provide updates on steps they are taking to accede to the Convention.

The President will then give the floor to other States Parties and organisations to offer updates on any other matter concerning universalization in accordance with the *Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan 2025-2029* (Actions 11 and 12).

Questions for consideration by States not party

1. Has your State taken any practical steps, such as formalised commitments not to use, produce or transfer anti-personnel, or to destroy stockpiles?
2. What is your position on ratifying or acceding to the Convention in the near term, in the medium term and in the long term?
3. What is the primary reason for your State not acceding to the Convention?

Questions for consideration by all States Parties

1. What actions has your State taken since the Fifth Review Conference to promote formal adherence to the Convention by States not party?
2. What actions has your State taken to condemn violation of the Convention's norms? (Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan Action 11)

Stockpile destruction and retained anti-personnel mines

During this agenda item, the President is to present on activities undertaken on matters related to stockpile destruction under Article 4 and on matters related to numbers of anti-personnel mines

retained for training and other permitted purposes under Article 3. Relevant States Parties¹ are invited to offer updates in accordance with the Siem Reap-Angkor Action Plan (Action 13 to 16).

The President will then give the floor to other States Parties and organisations to address matters related to the updated information presented by delegations.

Questions for consideration by States Parties which are in the process of implementing Article 4

1. What is your State's plan to intensify efforts to ensure completion of remaining / ongoing Article 4 obligations as soon as possible?
2. What progress has your State achieved in the implementation of Article 4 since the Fifth Review Conference?
3. Are there any issues of concern or challenges faced by your State in its efforts to achieve the destruction of stockpiled anti-personnel mines?
4. What is your expected completion date?

Questions for consideration by States Parties which have reported anti-personnel mines retained under Article 3

1. Since the Fifth Review Conference, has your State "reviewed the number of retained anti-personnel mines to ensure that they constitute the minimum number absolutely necessary for permitted purposes"?
2. Has your State destroyed all those anti-personnel mines exceeding that number and where appropriate explored available alternatives to using live anti-personnel mines for training and research activities?
3. What are the purposes for which retained mines have been used and what have been the results of this use, including for example:
 - a. What mine detection, mine clearance or destruction techniques have been / are being developed?
 - b. What mine detection, clearance or destruction training has been carried out?
 - c. What number of personnel has been trained and to what standard?
4. Can your State explain any increase or decrease in the number of retained anti-personnel mines?

¹ States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of Anti-Personnel Mines.