

# UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



PROGRESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COP9 DECISIONS  
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## Decision CP.9/3. Management of Marine Litter and Municipal Wastewater



Progress includes:-

- **Banning single use of plastic carry bags on Mainland Tanzania.**
- **Strengthening of regulations to control plastic waste pollution and plastic carry bags on both Mainland Tanzania and in Zanzibar.**
- **Global Partnership on Marine Litter Program UN Environment on Training of Trainers on Monitoring and Assessment of Marine Litter and Microplastics – Mombasa, Kenya.**
- **CAG - Performance Audit in the Management of Plastic Waste in the Ocean and Inland water bodies.**
- **WB – Pro Blue - Supporting sustainable livelihoods through marine debris control and coastal zone Management in Tanzania”**
- **Integrated Solid Waste Management Strategies for both Mainland and Zanzibar are in place**

**Recommendation: Contracting Parties to be supported to develop and implement Marine Litter Action Plan and Microplastics.**

# Decision ICZM

CP.9/4.

Progress includes :-

- **Blue Economy Policy for Zanzibar 2020 focusing on integrated ICZM – MSP interface in the nearshore areas**
- **ICZM as a foundation dialogue for MSP. ICZM critical for Blue Economy Value Chains (Nearshore Fishing, Aquaculture, Tourism, etc.)**
- **Land Bank and Small Islets development planning for sustainable eco-tourism investments in Zanzibar.**

## Recommendation:

- ***Support the integration of ICZM into the MSP planning processes especially in the coastal and intertidal zones where Blue Economy value chains are concentrated.***



# Decision CP.9/6. Ocean Governance



Progress includes :-

- **PROG Joint Workshop on Science for Solutions: on Improving Ocean Planning and Governance for ABNJ in the NC and Abidjan Areas – Cape Town.**
- **Marine Regions Forum 2019: Achieving Regional Ocean Governance Beyond 2020. – Berlin**
- **Ocean MEDA process for Tanzania in advanced stage**
- **Blue Economy Policy for Zanzibar 2020**
- **Establishment of the Ministry for Blue Economy and Fisheries in Zanzibar**
- **Developing the Blue Economy Stocktaking and Assessment Report.**
- **Development of Blue Economy Strategy – ongoing**
- **Maritime Safety and Security training under UNODC – in Seychelles.**

**Recommendation:**

- ***Support National Ocean Governance Strategy in line with NC ROGS***
- ***Support transformation of Blue Economy Value Chains, Intervention Plans & Priority Sectors in Tanzania.***



## Decision CP.9/7. Developing and Supporting Implementation of Projects.



Progress includes:-

- *IUCN Tanga-Pemba Seascape launch in November 2021.*
- *NMC Marine Spatial Planning initiative for Tanzania – ToRs stage.*
- *Deep Sea Fishing Authority – New Deep Sea Fishing Act and Regulations with emphasis on sustainable fisheries, marine conservation, protection of species and durable investments.*
- *WIOMSA supported Study on Blue Economy value chains and investment opportunities.*
- *WB – Pro Blue on marine Litter and Plastic Pollution*
- *IOC Climate Projects including OACP Project on Climate and Biodiversity in pipeline.*
- *BIOFIN Project (Pilot) in Zanzibar*

### **Recommendations**

**Synergies between regional and national projects implementation mechanisms**

## **Decision CP.9/8. Environmental Management of Oil and Gas.**



Progress includes:-

- EIA and SEA Guidelines for Oil and Gas developed on both mainland and Zanzibar (OfD Norway – Tanzania) in 2019/2020.
- Strengthening of Petroleum Waste Management Laws on both Mainland Tanzania and Zanzibar (OfD Norway – Tanzania) in 2019/2020.
- Strategic Environmental Assessment of Offshore Oil and Gas Areas for Zanzibar was completed (2019).
- Good Governance: Local Content, Resources Governance (NRGI), Revenues, Safety, etc.
- *Regional Workshop on Cooperation in Preparedness and Response to Marine Pollution March 2020 in Zanzibar, Tanzania.*

### ***Recommendations***

**Support Capacity, Governance, Policy Tools and Legal instruments in Oil and Gas.**

## Decision CP.9/9. Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation



Progress includes:-

- National Implementation through support of the UNDP vis a vis NAPs and revised NDCs processes. (Particular Focus on the Ocean).
- Stocktaking Report for the Review of the National Climate Change Strategy 2020. (Focus on Critical Habitats and EBA).
- State of Environment (2019)
- The 6th National Report for Convention on Biological Diversity (2019)
- Climate Vulnerability Assessment for Dar es Salaam
- *WB Country Environmental Analysis Report (2019) – Climate and Blue Economy mentioned*

### **Recommendations**

***Support for Climate, Ocean and Biodiversity synergies***

## Decision CP.9/10. Marine Spatial planning for the Blue Economy



### Progress Includes

- Scoping for MSP in Tanzania by IKI Project (TNC and CSIRO)
- Pilot MSP and “Blue Corridor” in PECCA and MIMCA in collaboration with the Private Sector.
- UNDP – Norway Potential Support for MSP in Zanzibar (Level 1: Awareness, Capacity and Consultations).
- NMC Design methodological tool for MSP including assessment of the situation analysis on MSP in the country.
- A National core team which comprises of MSP experts from different institutions has been established.

***Recommendation: secretariat to facilitate support in MSP capacity building initiative in Tanzania in synergy with existing initiatives.***



**Decision CP.9/11.  
Development of marine  
protected areas and  
critical habitats outlook.**



Progress includes:-

- **Revamping The Tanzania Coral Reef Task Force (TzCRTF)**
- **The Zanzibar Coral Reef Monitoring Network (ZCRMN) •**
- **Coral Reef monitoring through SWIOFish project.**
- **UNDP GEF Support for Mangroves**
- **Working with IORA on Blue Carbon.**
- **Implementation of ICZM Action Plans**

**Recommendation:**

***Consider enhanced project support for critical habitats, extending monitoring support to contracting parties***

# Decision CP.9/12. Science to Policy Dialogue



Progress includes :-

- Developing and enhancing the capacity of national research institutions to address ocean studies.
- IMS on Regional Governance, Marine Litter.
- Establishment of additional Government Fisheries and Marine Resources Research Institutions.
- TAFIRI's revitalization and direct engagement on ocean research studies including in ocean innovation & technology.

**Recommendation:**

*NCS to expedite mandates related to FARI and STP Platforms with national institutions including more inclusivity.*

## Decision CP.9/13. Partnerships



Progress includes :-

- Working with Indian Ocean Commission, Indian Ocean Rim Association, UNECA, UNDP, UN Women, Private Sector, to support ocean management programs and engage on Blue Economy, Climate, DRR, etc.
- Roundtable Discussions with Development Partner Groups (DPGs) to address Ocean Governance and Blue Economy.
- Continuing to work with IOTC, SWIOFC programs to enhance sustainable fisheries and conservation of EEZ and possibly adjacent areas..

**Recommendation:**

*NCS to enhance the coordination scope to increase regional partnerships to the local level.*

**THANK YOU**