

INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION

Sixth Meeting of the Steering Committee (SC/6) of the Cooperative Development of Aeronautical Meteorology Services Project in the Africa- Indian Ocean Region

Abuja, Nigeria, from 6 to 8 October 2025

Agenda Item 4: Review of implementation of Project activities since the SC/5

SC6 wp4.1 Update on actions taken by the Steering Committee since the SC/5

(Presented by the Chairperson).

| SUMMARY | |
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| This working paper presents an update on actions taken by the Steering Committee since the SC/5 | |
| meeting. | |
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| Actions to be taken by the meeting are provided in paragraph 3. | |
| REFERENCES | |
| ■ Report of the SC/5 Meeting | |
| Strategic | |
| Objectives | A – Safety, B – Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency |

1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1. The Project for the Cooperative Development of Aeronautical Meteorology in the Africa-Indian Ocean Region (CODEVMET-AFI), was designed to assist States in addressing the longstanding critical deficiencies in the MET field.
- 1.2. The Project is administrated by a Steering Committee composed of the Directors General of Civil Aviation Authority or their designated representatives; the Heads of Air Navigation Services Providers (ANSPs); and the Representative of donor Organizations.
- 1.3. The Steering Committee shall amongst others:
 - a) review and approve the project progress/terminal reports;
 - b) review the financial reports covering the project activities;
 - c) review and approve the work plan (including for services on request) and budget for the project.

- 1.4. The Fifth Meeting of the Steering Committee (SC/5) of the Project for the Cooperative Development of Aeronautical Meteorology Services in the AFI Region (CODEVMET-AFI) held in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, from 30 September to 2 October 2024, resulted on nine (9) decisions to direct the implementation of the Project activities.
- 1.4 This working paper provides a brief update on the actions taken by the he SC in fulfilling its mandate.

2 DISCUSSION

Evaluation of project impact and effectiveness and identification of risks and mitigation strategies.

- 2.1. The Steering Committee successfully conducted a virtual mid-point review meeting of the Steering Committee on 22nd July 2025. Twenty-one (21) participants from twelve (12) States, ASECNA and ICAO attended the meeting.
- 2.2. The meeting reviewed the progress made in the implementation of the Project activities and noted good progress by the Project team. The meeting commended the support provided by the project experts and encouraged the Project Team on Capacity building to accelerate the development of training materials to support the need of competencies development.

Consultations with project member States, RSOOs, WMO, and regional organizations.

- 2.3. In response to SC/5 Decision 5/03, which called for actions to address the challenges faced by the Project, the Chairperson of the Steering Committee undertook initiatives to engage with several States on the relevance of the CODEVMET Project, highlighting its potential to assist States in resolving deficiencies in the MET field.
- 2.4. During a training session on State Safety Program / Safety Management System held in Lomé (Togo) from 7 to 18 April 2025 and attended by several representatives of States of the AFI region, the Chairperson of the Steering Committee seized the opportunity to conduct an awareness campaign with the participants.
- 2.5. Representatives of the Civil Aviation Authorities of nine (9) States (Congo, Burkina Faso, Madagascar, Mali, Chad, Comoros, Equatorial Guinea, Mauritania, and the Central African Republic (CAR)) took part in this awareness session. They were briefed on the objectives of the CODEVMET-AFI Project, the benefits of membership for States, and the notable progress achieved since the resumption of the Project in 2021.
- 2.6. Discussions generated strong interest among the representatives, who expressed their commitment to report the outcomes faithfully to their respective hierarchies in order to foster their countries' effective participation.
- 2.7. Consequently, the Secretariat has taken appropriate steps to facilitate the signature of the MSA already transmitted to these States.

Strengthening partnerships and seeking additional funding sources.

2.8. The meeting may recall that, following an initiative of the Chairperson of the Steering Committee and ASECNA Focal Point for the Project, with the support of the Director General of the Civil Aviation Authority of Côte d'Ivoire, a Memorandum was submitted by the Director General of the CAA of Côte d'Ivoire to the ASECNA Board Meeting in 2024. Discussions led to the adoption of a Board Resolution, submitting to the ASECNA Committee of Ministers a high-level request for ASECNA to support the annual contributions of its Member States to the Project. In July 2025, at its meeting in Libreville, the Committee of Ministers adopted a Resolution requesting ASECNA to support the annual contributions of its Member States to the Project.

- 2.9. The Steering Committee expressed its sincere gratitude to ASECNA for its continued support of ICAO's regional initiatives aimed at strengthening aeronautical meteorological services in Africa.
- 2.10. Furthermore, the Steering Committee encouraged the Secretariat to continue taking initiatives to assist States in complying with the current provisions of MET-related SARPs.

Ongoing activities

- 2.11. The ongoing activities supported by the Chairpersons include:
 - Regular consultations with project member States, RSOOs, WMO, and regional organizations.
 - Establishing an agreement with AAMAC within the framework of the CODEVMET-AFI Project

3 ACTIONS BY THE MEETING

- 3.1 The meeting is invited to:
 - o Take note of the information presented in this document; and
 - o Review the actions taken by the SC and provide guidance as needed.

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