

**Statement by H.E Mr. Sonam P. Wangdi, Chair, LDC Group under UNFCCC,
at the 4th Ministerial on Climate Action
7 July, 2:00pm -4:00pm CEST**

Q. What are the critical enabling conditions to ensure the recovery will “do no harm” and allow us to build back better?

*Hon’ble Ministers,
Excellencies,
Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and gentleman*

It is my pleasure to share my views on critical enabling conditions:

We need strong **international solidarity** to ensure that we build back better by increasing green investment. One of the key lesson CVOID-19 provides us is that no single country can fight this Pandemic alone, just as the climate crisis. The recovery from this pandemic is one of the most important window of opportunities to address the short term needs with long term benefits. For the Least Developed Countries, climate problem is as real as COVID19 and our people live this as a daily reality.

As we focus our effort on climate action, coordinated **political resolve** is a must, based on the foundation of best available science. We have barely less than 10 years to correct the course of our planet and human civilization from the societal collapse. Life on earth deserves higher political attention than being currently considered.

Fiscal measures, aimed at correcting our economic development paths towards more inclusive, cleaner and climate resilient pathways. This must ensure that measures deployed to address the current crises are aligned with the Paris Agreement's 1.5 degree temperature limit. As the developing world feel the spill over effects on their economies, development partners and international community must ensure that their development aid budgets are not diverted to domestic priorities. This is where true humanity and solidarity must be demonstrated.

Thank you