



National Statement, delivered by Mr. Danyal Hasnain, Second Secretary, during the Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes
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Madam Vice President,

We thank the Special Rapporteur for his report on pollution information portals (PIPs) and their critical role in ensuring transparent and responsible management of hazardous waste.

We acknowledge the significance of sharing information related to hazardous waste emissions, which is vital for their safe management.

Importantly, it ensures that communities living in the vicinity are well-informed and protected from potential health and environmental risks.

We emphasize that countries with limited capacity should be provided with adequate technical and financial support to develop such portals.

Capacity building initiatives should be aimed at strengthening these systems and ensuring that everyone can uphold their commitment to environmental governance and access to a clean, healthy, and safe environment.

Additionally, it is crucial that such support extends to harmonizing data interoperability, to foster a cohesive global structure for pollution data exchange.

Furthermore, corporations must fulfill their responsibility by being transparent in providing relevant data. This is not only an ethical imperative but also a vital element of accountability.

Madam Vice President,

We support the strengthening and effective implementation of international agreements that govern hazardous waste management.

This commitment is reflected through our leadership role in the Global Framework on Chemicals, where Pakistan currently holds the presidency of the Bureau.

Mr. Special Rapporteur,

We request you to advise on specific capacity-building measures for developing data interoperability tools that ensure global consistency and transparency.

I thank you!