Indonesian Statement At the 48th Session of the IDB UNIDO

Agenda 4. Report of the PBC, including sub-items

Thank you, Excellency, Mr. President

Indonesia aligns itself with the statement by the G77 and China on this agenda item.

We welcome the report of the Programme and Budget Committee (PBC) and the recommendations contained therein. As a current member of the PBC, Indonesia commends the holding of the 36th Session of the PBC during this challenging time.

In this regard, allow me to underline a few main points as follow:

Firstly, recovery and building back better should be our main focus, including in implementing PBC deliberations.

Indonesia recognizes the challenges with regard the impact of the COVID-19 to the organization and its Member States. In this time of unprecedented crisis, it is very important that UNIDO programs are well targeted to support member countries' recovery. Its programs must be based on the countries' actual needs, and UNIDO needs to have sufficient and predictable funding to deliver its core mandate and activities.

This leads me to my second point, that continuing deficit of UNIDO's budget is a source of concern.

This will impact UNIDO's ability to help member states in attaining inclusive and sustainable industrial development. The external auditor's findings related to uncollected voluntary contributions, as well as unprogrammed balances, require adequate attention.

There is a need to advance innovative ways that will enable the organization to strike a balance between its revenue and expenditures in the near future. Indonesia also encourages UNIDO to continue increasing efficiency, streamlining, rationalizing, and improveing the organization's operations and management.

Finally, Mr. President, Indonesia is ready to support all the draft decisions as recommended by the PBC.

Thank you.