



**Conference of the Parties to the
Minamata Convention on Mercury
Sixth meeting**
Geneva, 3–7 November 2025

Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury at its sixth meeting

Decision MC-6/7: Extensions of exemptions

The Conference of the Parties,

Noting that paragraph 6 of article 6 of the Minamata Convention on Mercury provides that the Conference of the Parties may, at the request of a party, decide to extend an exemption from the relevant phase-out date listed in annex A or B to the Convention,

Recognizing that the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties marks the first time that the Conference has been requested to consider such a request,

Welcoming the revised exemption extension requests from two of the three parties requesting extensions, in which they provide additional information related to paragraph 6 (a), (b) and (c) of article 6 for the consideration of the parties,

Highlighting the continued need to protect human health and the environment from the ongoing manufacture, import and export of the products listed in part I of annex A,

1. *Takes note* of the requests for the extension of exemptions and related information submitted to the Conference of the Parties at its sixth meeting by Bangladesh, India and Thailand pursuant to paragraph 6 of article 6;

2. *Decides* to extend the exemptions from the phase-out dates as requested by Bangladesh;¹

3. *Also decides* to extend the exemptions from the phase-out dates as requested by India;²

4. *Further decides* to extend the exemptions from the phase-out dates as requested by Thailand;³

5. *Notes* that, with the exception of the extensions of exemptions referred to in paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 above, all registered exemptions from the 2020 phase-out dates listed in annex A will expire after 31 December 2025, in accordance with paragraph 5 of article 6, and that after that date, no State or regional economic integration organization may register for an exemption with respect to the 2020 phase-out dates, in accordance with paragraph 8 of article 6;

¹ UNEP/MC/COP.6/28, annex I.

² Ibid., annex II.

³ Ibid., annex III.

6. *Requests* the secretariat to continue to maintain, update and make available on the website of the Convention the register established under paragraph 3 of article 6 and related information, as appropriate.
