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**Conference of the Parties to the  
Minamata Convention on Mercury  
Sixth meeting**

Geneva, 3–7 November 2025

Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda\*

**Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda**

**Tentative schedule of work for the sixth meeting of the Conference  
of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury\*\***

**Note by the secretariat**

1. The annex to the present note includes a tentative schedule of work for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury.
2. The proposed schedule is designed to ensure that no more than one group at a time convenes in parallel with a plenary session, that a maximum of two groups convene in parallel when there is no plenary session, and that draft decisions are finalized in time for the group on the programme of work and budget to consider them.
3. The contact and other groups that may be established during the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties have been tentatively identified as follows:
  - Group on the programme of work and budget (for agenda item 6)
  - Group on technical matters (for agenda item 4b)
  - Group on mercury supply sources and trade (for agenda item 4a)
4. Groups may also be established for other items on the agenda of the meeting, as required.
5. The Conference of the Parties will make decisions concerning the number and nature of the groups set up and the organization of their work based on proposals made by the President of the Conference of the Parties, in consultation with the Bureau throughout the sixth meeting, as progress is made on each issue.

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\*\* This document has not been formally edited.

## Annex

## Tentative schedule of work for the sixth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury

|   | <i>Monday, 3 November 2025</i>  | <i>Tuesday, 4 November 2025</i>  | <i>Wednesday, 5 November 2025</i>   | <i>Thursday, 6 November 2025</i>  | <i>Friday, 7 November 2025</i>  |
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| <b>10 a.m.–1 p.m.</b><br><b>Morning session</b> | <p><b>Item 1: Opening of the meeting</b></p> <p><b>Item 2: Organizational matters</b></p> <p>(a) Adoption of the agenda</p> <p>(b) Organization of work</p> <p>(c) Election of officers</p> <p>(d) Report on the credentials of representatives</p> <p><b>Item 3: Rules of procedure and financial rules for the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p>(e) Financial resources and mechanism</p> <p>(i) Global Environment Facility</p> <p>(ii) Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance</p> <p>(iii) Review of the financial mechanism</p> | <p><i>Reports of contact groups</i></p> <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p>(c) Artisanal and small-scale gold mining</p> <p>(d) Mercury waste</p> <p>(f) Capacity-building, technical assistance and technology transfer</p> <p><b>Item 6: Programme of work and budget</b></p> | <p><i>Consideration of outcomes and reports of contact groups</i></p> <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p>(j) Cross-cutting matters:</p> <p>(i) Implementation of decision MC-5/1</p> <p>(ii) Implementation of decision MC-5/15</p> <p>(k) Knowledge management</p> <p>(l) Mercury and Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework</p> <p><b>Item 5: International cooperation and coordination</b></p> | <p><i>Consideration of outcomes, adoption of report on credentials and adoption of decisions</i></p> <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties (cont.)</b></p> | <p><i>Consideration of remaining outcomes and adoption of remaining decisions</i></p> <p><b>Item 6: Programme of work and budget (cont.)</b></p> <p>Adoption of the budget decision</p> <p><b>Item 7: Venue and dates of the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p><b>Item 8: Other matters</b></p> |

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| <b>1–3 p.m.</b>                             | <b>Break</b>  | <b>Break</b>  | <b>Break</b>   | <b>Break</b>  | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>3–6 p.m.</b><br><b>Afternoon session</b> | <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p>(b) Mercury-added products and manufacturing processes in which mercury or mercury compounds are used:</p> <p>(i) Amendments to annex A</p> <p>(iii) Consideration of the feasibility of mercury-free alternatives for manufacturing vinyl chloride monomer</p> <p>(ii) Cosmetics listed in part I of annex A</p> <p>(iv) Extensions for exemptions</p> <p>(a) Mercury supply sources and trade</p> | <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties</b></p> <p>(g) Implementation and Compliance Committee</p> <p>(h) National reporting</p> <p>(i) Effectiveness evaluation</p> | <p><i>Consideration of outcomes</i></p> <p><b>Item 4: Matters for consideration or action by the Conference of the Parties (cont.)</b></p> | <p><i>Consideration of outcomes and adoption of remaining decisions</i></p> | <p><b>Item 9: Adoption of the report of the meeting</b></p> <p><b>Item 10: Closure of the meeting</b></p> |