Thank you.
India would like to thank co-facs for the streamlined text of provision 3 of part II.
It is important to address problematic plastic products as well as avoidable plastic products to address plastic pollution. The identification of such plastic products must be pragmatic and regulation should be nationally driven taking into account national circumstances.

Guidance for identification and regulation of problematic plastic products and avoidable plastic products, must be developed based on scientific criteria agreed to by all Member States. There can not be a global mandate in this regard.

Any consideration for phase out or phase down must be nationally driven. It has to take into account the availability, accessibility and affordability of sustainable alternatives. Social, economic and environmental impacts need to be factored in while assessing the alternatives.

In respect of intentionally added microplastics, any regulation must be nationally driven and based upon national circumstances and capabilities. The products which are needed for regulation must be identified based on scientific criteria and availability of sustainable alternatives.

It is important to have an assessment of the need as well as mobilization of financial resources, through dedicated fund, and technology transfer for each country in order to meet nationally driven commitments under this provision following the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities.
I thank you.