

Climate Change Adaptation Demanding Climate Justice



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Adaptation Funds

- New and additional. Not existing ODA for MDGs.
- Predictable and sustainable funding; sustained flow of resources
- Potential for scale-up over time – for long-term buy-in from developing countries and to meet emerging adaptation needs.
- Political will from developed and developing country governments to ensure an international funding scheme.
- Funds to be international by nature - less likely to be dependant on fickle national budgets from developed countries

Poorest affected first and worst....for no fault of theirs.... the Himalayas

“Snowfall was common 10 years ago but now there is no snow even in the forests where it is comparatively colder.....’burass’ plant flowers during the Shivratri festival in February but this year the budding and flowering took place in December itself.....we women now walk longer for fodder, grass for grazing and dry wood because rains are late and scant.....rivers and streams have half the water now.....our glaciers are melting rapidly now..... ice blocks from Gangotri glacier have been breaking and creating flash floods in our village,” Himal, Pujar Village (at 5000 feet), Tehri Garhwal



Failing coping mechanisms... on the coast

There is increase in the number of cyclones during the 2 seasonal cyclonic periods (April and November).....there is sea ingress up to 0.5 km eating up coastal villages.....families have migrated to Gujarat, Orissa, even the Andamans.....there is an increase in the number of dead zones in the sea (areas in the sea which do not have fish anymore) because sand does not have food for the fish.....we could get fish 1-2 km into the sea earlier.....now we have to go up to 60 Km, spending on diesel boats.....



Solutions: Raised Homesteads in N. Bihar.....additional finance



Solutions: covered wells in arid Rajasthan....additional finance



Convergence : adaptation & devt work...with added resources



- Jawahar Rozgar Yojna
- NREGA
- Indira Awaz Yojna
- Watsan department
- Insurance companies
- Land to the landless ('esp lower castes)



Limits to Adaptation *Mitigation necessary*

**Annex 1/industrialised countries' emissions
reduction necessary**

As global greenhouse gas concentrations increase generating further temperature rises and more catastrophic climate impacts, there will be limits to adaptation for those most vulnerable to climate variability.



