

Enhancing Capacities for Adaptation in the context of NAPs and NDCs

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Importance of Capacity Building



- Many countries still lack capacity to undertake climate action.
- It's been identified as priority in countries' NDCs
- It is fundamental to achieving the Paris Agreement.
- Fulfilling obligations to multilateral environmental agreements.



Capacity Building under Paris Agreement

To strengthen Capacity

- Paris Committee on Capacity Building (PCCB) (Article 11)
- Promoting education, training and public awareness (Article 12)
- Capacity Building Initiative for Transparency (CBIT) (Article 13)

Other UNFCCC Institutions addressing Capacity Building

Adaptation

- Adaptation Committee
- Adaptation Fund Board

Technology

- Technology Executive Committee (TEC)
- Climate Technology Centre and Network (CTCN)

Finance

- Green Climate Fund (GCF) Readiness Program
- Global Environmental Facility (GEF)

- + National communications, Greenhouse gas inventories
- + Governments, UN Agencies, Others actors

The Bigger Picture





Strong link between NDCs and 154 SDG targets including in:

Energy – Agriculture – Cities – Transport – Water access – Food security ...

To bring mutual benefits to all – To leave no one behind



Need greater coordination and cooperation

Between capacity building providers and recipients

- To enhance effectiveness of support and efforts.
- To help meet the increasing needs of countries and regions.
- To better link social, economic and environmental impacts.

Need to advance beyond current approaches

Adaptation – Sectors and Challenges





Human health



Coastal zones



Agriculture + Forestry



Infrastructure + Urban planning



Early Warning and Environmental Assessment



Water



Marine and Fisheries

Source: CTCN Technology Sectors

Adaptation in NDCs





- 161 INDCs submitted by 4 April 2016
- 83% of INDCs included adaptation (impacts, vulnerabilities)

Adaptation components from:

- 54 African States,
- **42** Asia-Pacific States,
- 30 Latin American and Caribbean States,
- 7 Eastern European States and
- 2 Western European and other States.

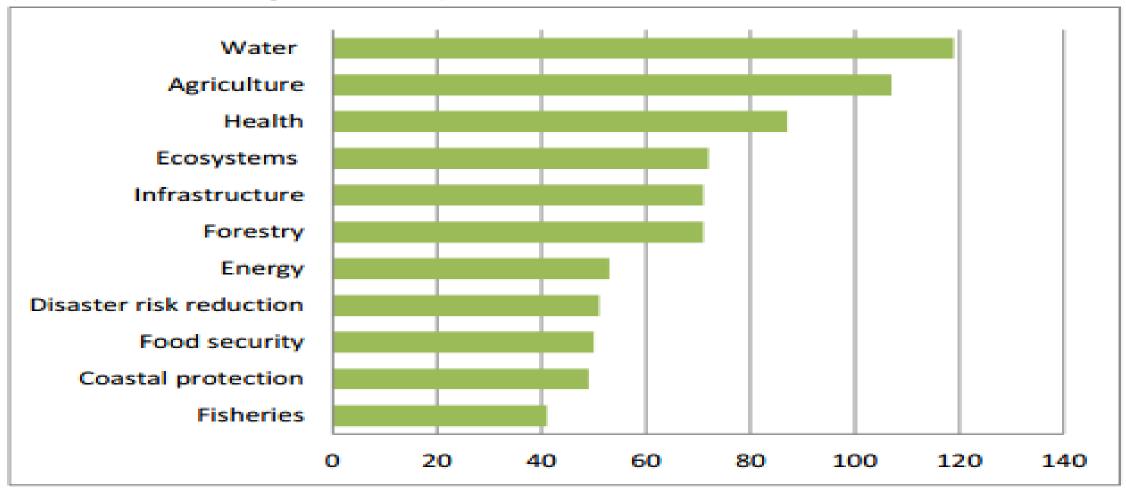
Source: UNFCCC (2016): Aggregate effort of the INDC: An update

NDCs – Priority areas for Adaptation Actions



Priority areas and sectors for adaptation actions identified in the adaptation component of the communicated intended nationally determined contributions

(number of Parties referring to area or sector)



Climate change impacts on all aspects of sustainable development



Future vulnerability depends on development pathways – not just on climate change

Key ingredients for sustainable capacity building



Country ownership

- Recipient country to have ownership and retain capacity.
- Capacity must grow from within the country long-term view.
- International actors to support and facilitate not to own or manage.

Integrated approach

- Improve coordination between donors, initiatives and ministries.
- Importance of two-way learning approach between countries.
- Monitoring and evaluation to assess impact and apply lessons.

Key messages to developing countries

Ownership

- Assume a more leading role in own development.
- NDCs implementation Capacity for what? and for whom?
- Ensure balance between the 'hard' and 'soft' capacities.

Engagement

- Engage non-state actors to complement government leadership.
- Strengthen gender engagement.
- Raise public awareness Integrate Adaptation into education curricula

Co-benefits

- Promote South-South learning and Collaboration.
- Integrate capacity building for adaptation into development plans.
- Target needs in relation to their priority and cross-cutting nature.