Group 2

Regional and International approaches to Loss & Damage

LOGIC

- Cost effectiveness
- Commonalties of the problems, Slow onset processes which are larger than the coping capacity of nations
- Incentives: accelerated change

Types of Loss & Damage that can be addressed through regional and international approaches

- Livelihoods/Resilience of livelihoods
- Infrastructure
- Basic services/social protection--both public and private
- Investment--both public and private

Experience Sharing

- Mostly support come from international organizations, World Bank/ ADB
- Nations seem be struggling due to political bickering.
- Resultantly regional blocs such as SAARC are not effective,
- That makes room for new regional/international organizations
- Non-governmental blocs need to come forward
- Social or cultural networks can compensate for the lack of effectiveness of political blocks. May be track-2 diplomacy can play a roll.

Priorities for the region

- <u>Areas:</u> Arid regions, Bays, Island territories, Delta regions, river systems, coastal cities, Glacial Lakes Outburst Floods
- Thematic areas:
- Watershed management
- Trans-boundary water issues
- Forcasting- modeling long-term weather forecasts
- Biodiversity
- Desertification
- Food security
- Disease control, such as malaria mapping etc

Potential responses and strategies

- Existing Institutions renovation
- Creation of new institutions, political, social and cultural
- Sharing of practices using existing channels
- Sharing of resources, including data, and human resources
- Appropriate utilization of the available resources