



NAZCA Stories Webinar

Identify, showcase and track real-world examples of climate action

Thu, 14 May 2026 | 15:00-16:00 IST | Teams

Context

Co-hosted by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) Secretariat and the Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW), this webinar marks the first engagement under the NAZCA Stories – a new component under the [UNFCCC's Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action \(NAZCA\) portal](#) being designed to identify, showcase and track real-world examples of climate action.

As the UNFCCC's platform for non-Party stakeholder climate action, the NAZCA portal supports transparency, progress tracking and recognition of implementation by cities, regions, businesses, civil society, and cooperative initiatives. NAZCA Stories aims to complement this function by adding narrative, contextual and implementation-focused insight into existing data, drawing on solutions, cases and other practice-based experiences. The initiative will be developed through a phased approach, beginning with a **pilot in South Asia focused on adaptation and resilience**, with a view to informing future scaling.

In this context, the webinar aims to convene organizations from across South Asia for an introductory strategic dialogue on the vision, relevance and partnership opportunities of NAZCA Stories. As an initial engagement, the session is intended to support relationship-building among participating organizations within the project context, foster a shared understanding of the initiative, and provide an opportunity for an initial exchange of perspectives and experiences. It will also seek to broaden engagement beyond the existing NAZCA partner network by bringing in regional insights, while exploring how stakeholders may contribute to and benefit from the initiative from a regional perspective.

This webinar is intended as the first step in a broader consultative process. A second, technical-focused workshop, scheduled for 29th May 2026 ([agenda in the Annex](#)), will cover participants' current approaches to accessing, using and exchanging adaptation and resilience implementation data in the region, with a view to informing the further development of NAZCA Stories.

Objectives

- Introduce the vision and strategic value of NAZCA Stories within the evolving NAZCA portal
- Foster early dialogue and identify opportunities for collaboration and regional engagement in South Asia
- Explore how organizations can contribute to, and benefit from, greater visibility and recognition of implementation-focused climate action



Strategic Webinar Agenda (14th May 2026)

This introductory webinar will set the stage for future consultative exchanges and the collaborative development of NAZCA Stories.

Time (IST)	Duration	Agenda Item
<i>Moderator: Mayra Santaella, NAZCA, UN Climate Change (UNFCCC)</i>		
15:00 - 5:05	5 min	Welcome remarks <i>Todd Edwards, Team Lead, NAZCA, UN Climate Change (UNFCCC)</i> <i>Dr Vishwas Chitale, Fellow and Lead, Climate Resilience, Council on Energy Environment and Water (CEEW)</i>
15:05 - 15:15	10 min	Introductions <i>Participants</i>
15:15 - 15:25	10 min	NAZCA Stories: Purpose, vision and concept <i>Mayra Santaella, NAZCA, UN Climate Change (UNFCCC)</i>
15:25 - 15:32	7 min	Concept of the Pilot: Adaptation and Resilience in South Asia <i>Dr Vishwas Chitale, Fellow and Lead, Climate Resilience, Council on Energy Environment and Water (CEEW)</i>
15.32 - 15:37	5 min	UNFCCC Regional Collaboration Centre <i>Andrea Camponogara, Global Lead, RCC, UN Climate Change (UNFCCC)</i>
15:37 - 15:57	20 min	Discussion and Q & A <i>Opportunities for participants to ask questions</i>
15:57 – 16:00	3 min	Closing and next steps Group Picture

More information

- Non-State Actor Zone for Climate Action: <https://unfccc.int/cci#About>
- NAZCA Stories in the NAZCA Portal Redevelopment and Engagement Roadmap: <https://unfccc.int/documents/654263>
- Council on Energy, Environment and Water (CEEW): <https://www.ceew.in/>
- For questions, please consult mehak.sudan@ceew.in or MSantaella@unfccc.int



ANNEX

Technical Workshop Agenda (29th May 2026)

The workshop will use structured facilitation to generate specific validation outputs. Each session will combine small-group deliberation with plenary synthesis, enabling both depth of dialogue and breadth of perspectives.

Time (IST)	Duration	Agenda Item
<i>Moderator: Mayra Santaella, NAZCA, UN Climate Change (UNFCCC)</i>		
15:00 -15:02	2 min	Opening and welcome remarks <i>Dr Vishwas Chitale, Fellow and Lead, Council on Energy Environment and Water (CEEW)</i>
15:02 -15:10	8 min	Participant introductions
15:10 -15:20	10 min	Context-setting: NAZCA Stories - Purpose, concept, and pilot approach <i>Mayra Santaella, NAZCA, UN Climate Change (UNFCCC)</i> <i>Dr Vishwas Chitale, Fellow and Lead, Council on Energy Environment and Water (CEEW)</i>
15:20 -16:20	60 min	SESSION 1 (Breakout groups) User needs validation <i>Who uses adaptation & resilience implementation data in South Asia, for what purpose, and what is missing?</i>
16:20 -16:25	5 min	Break
16:25 -17:25	60 min	SESSION 2 (Breakout groups) Data Sources & Ecosystem Mapping <i>What platforms and processes do you currently rely on? Where could NAZCA Stories add value?</i>
17:25 -17:30	5 min	Summary of key findings and validation outcomes, next steps Closing remarks Group Picture