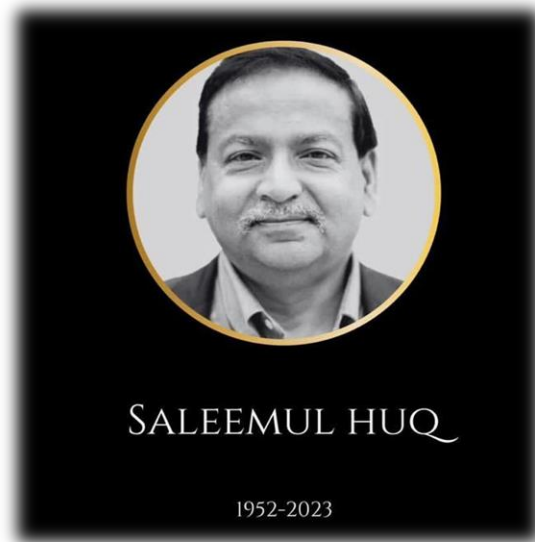


**UN Climate Change COP 28  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates**

**Special Implementation Lab to honour the memory of  
Professor Saleemul Huq**



**Concept Note & Outline Agenda**

**ACTIONS AFTER IMPACTS:  
Non-Party Stakeholders delivering concrete solutions to  
address Loss and Damage.**

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**MP Implementation Lab**  
**ACTIONS AFTER IMPACTS:**

**NPS delivering concrete solutions to address Loss and Damage**

<b>Description</b>	To honour the memory of Professor Saleemul Huq, this interactive session will focus on turning deliberations into decisive, actionable strategies taking to address climate losses and damages. It aims to foster multi stakeholder collaboration to tackle barriers and deliver practical solutions that address the urgent needs of those at the frontline of climate impacts.
<b>Headline</b>	<p>How to accelerate action to tackle the increasing losses and damages communities are experiencing from the impacts of climate change.</p> <p>The Lab will also be dedicated to the memory of Professor Saleemul Huq for his work on climate change and on loss and damage.</p>
<b>2030 Breakthrough / SAA outcomes</b>	We will not be able to achieve the SAA outcomes if we do not address the actual loss and damage that is occurring now. We need a continuum of actions from mitigation, adaptation and on loss and damage as set out in the HLC COP27 discussion paper on actions after impacts. This session will elevate the urgency to deliver action on loss and damage thereby helping advance the Sharm Adaptation Agenda outcomes across systems.
<b>Guiding Question</b>	What action are you taking as a non-state actor to address the climate losses and damages you are facing today and what further action do you plan?
<b>Targeted Outcomes</b>	This will complement the work of parties on agreeing the modalities of a new loss and damage fund. It will do this by setting out the actions NPS are already taking and how they are catalysing action and mobilising finance to deliver these actions.
<b>Objectives</b>	<p>The world is grappling with unprecedented challenges posed by climate change, with particularly devastating impacts on vulnerable communities. Communities globally are experiencing increasing levels of loss and damage (L&amp;D) due to extreme weather events, gradual environmental degradation, and other climate-induced disruptions. Dr. Saleemul Huq was a relentless advocate for the most climate-vulnerable populations, and his work significantly contributed to elevating their struggles to the global platform. To honour and meaningfully extend the legacy of Professor Huq, we are convening this interactive session with a view to move from discussions to decisive action. To achieve this, there is a critical need to understand and tackle L&amp;D from both economic and non-economic perspectives. Localised, actionable research, and grassroots voices are more crucial than ever to inform effective practical solutions.</p> <p>This interactive session endeavours to move beyond the rhetoric and delve into concrete, actionable strategies for addressing L&amp;D, with a two objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Understanding practical solutions:</b> This segment will explore proven, on-the-ground initiatives aimed at tackling climate change L&amp;D. Participants will hear from experts who have successfully implemented solutions, ranging from climate resilient infrastructure and ecosystem-based adaptation to early warning systems. Case studies from different geographical and socio-economic contexts will be presented, offering a comprehensive view of what works and why.</li> <li>• <b>Enabling Support:</b> The second part of the session will focus on how to translate these solutions into actionable projects. Panel discussions will explore the roles of innovative financing mechanisms, technical assistance, and delivery support. Non State Actors (NSAs) will discuss pathways for leveraging existing financial resources, institutions, expertise and capacities for scaling up these efforts.</li> </ul>
<b>Session Outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Showcase actions taken by broad range of NPS that address loss and damage, including funding mechanisms / private mobilisation to support the mosaic of financial opportunities</li> <li>• Launch of ASPIRE tool to scale up anticipatory social protection for loss and damage.</li> <li>• Launch of ICCCAD/IIED early career LD damage research fellowship programme targeting support for LDCs and SIDS in Prof. Huq’s name</li> </ul>

<p><b>Participants</b></p>	<p>The session will have active participation from businesses, cities and regions, youth, civil society, and indigenous peoples. Further policy makers will be invited to join and senior rep from the Bangladesh government will be invited to open the event., is an important aspect of Global Climate Action Agenda programming at COP28.</p>
<p><b>Key Action points out of the discussion</b></p>	<p>The priority of the session is to continue to build momentum and collaboration on how non-state actors are addressing the impacts of climate losses and damages. As the late Professor Saleemul Huq stated over the last year we are now sadly in the era of loss and damage.</p> <p>Key takeaways for participants are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gain a nuanced understanding of the complexities surrounding climate change L&amp;D and the solutions that are making a tangible impact.</li> <li>• Learn about innovative financing models and technical support mechanisms that can catalyse the implementation of L&amp;D strategies.</li> <li>• Opportunity for multi-stakeholder networking, fostering collaborations for future efforts.</li> <li>• Demonstrate to parties on the positive actions NSA/NPS are taking on loss and damage, and that these should be supported by a dedicated future loss and damage fund.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Session format</b></p>	<p>The session will open with tributes to Professor Huq including the high-level champions, the Minister from Bangladesh, Cabinet Secretary from Scotland (tbc), and the UNFCCC Executive Secretary (tbc), among others. Each will reflect on his significant contributions and his legacy in guiding global climate action.</p> <p>Subsequently, the session will focus on showcasing forward-looking, practical solutions currently addressing climate losses and damages. This segment will bring forth in-depth case studies from authors and experts in the Global South, complemented by insights from Shared Learning Dialogues with grassroots women's organizations. Key highlights will include the launch of the Non-economic Loss and Damage Case Studies Compendium, ALL ACT Loss and Damage Research Observatory and the Resilience Solutions Database, reinforcing our commitment to delivering actionable insights and practical tools.</p> <p>In its third segment, the session will explore the obstacles preventing NSAs from scaling their action on loss and damage. This will involve a panel discussion, presenting a range of NSA actions, including innovative funding mechanisms and private sector mobilization. Additionally, this segment will feature the launch of the ASPIRE tool, aimed at enhancing anticipatory social protection, alongside the introduction of C40 actions on loss and damage for cities.</p> <p>The session will culminate with 'Legacy of Action' (ALL ACT Now) and the strengthening of NSA collaboration. The session will announce the early career loss and damage research fellowship program in Professor Huq's name, aimed at developing the next generation of leaders in climate action.</p>

## Outline Agenda

### **Tributes to Professor Saleemul Huq**

Dr. Sultan Ahmed Al Jaber, COP 28 President tbc  
Hon Shahab Uddin, Minister for Environment, Forest & Climate Change,  
Bangladesh tbc  
Simon Stiel, UNFCCC Executive Secretary tbc  
Professor Mizan Khan, Deputy director, ICCCAD

### **Reflections on why local action really matters for L&D**

HE Razan Al Mubarak, UN Climate Change High Level Champion, COP28  
Mairi Mcallan, Cabinet Secretary, Scottish Government  
Nate Matthews, CEO, Global Resilience Partnership

### **Conversation with on practical local solutions to L&D**

Ritu Bharadwaj, Principal Researcher and Team Leader, IIED  
Chimwemwe Sakunda Ndhlovu, Malawi  
Christine Mutuku, Muungano wa Wanavijiji, Kenya tbc  
Ericka Lynne Nava, Philippine Action for Community-led Shelter Initiatives tbc

### **Reflections how to take solutions on L&D to scale**

Dr Mahmoud Mohieldin, UN Climate Change High Level Champion, COP27  
Sheela Patel, Director, SPARC  
Tom Mitchell, Executive Director, IIED

### **Conversation on scaling up action and finance**

Atiqul Islam, Mayor Dhaka North, Bangladesh  
Rowan Douglas, Howden Group  
Xavier Castellanos Mosquera, Under Secretary General, IFRC  
Astrid Zwick, Co-Director, Global Shield

### **Delivering a Legacy of action on L&D**

Tom Mitchell, Executive Director, IIED  
Professor Jim Skea, Chair of the IPCC, tbc  
David Howlett, Climate Champions Team