Gender mainstreaming in NDC update and review of Viet Nam

Experience and Lessons learn

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The need for NDC Review and Update

1) The Paris Agreement (PA), 1/CP21: Appraise global efforts; Submit the updated NDCs in 2020 and every 5 years after that.

2) Official Dispatch No. 199/TTg-QHQT dated 8 February 2017: The Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment was assigned to organize the COP22, chair and coordinate with Ministries, sectors and stakeholders to review and update NDC;

3) A wide range of activities and policies on climate change have been executed/introduced.



Process of integration of gender and social inclusion in updated NDC (1)

 Review gender integration in the Intended NDC (I-NDC) (developed in 2015) → identify gaps

Review international and national legal framework on gender and climate change → ensure compliance

Conduct an analysis of gender and social inclusion issues in the draft NDC technical review report (with technical support from UN Women and other partners) → identify gaps and inputs into the updated NDC.



Process of integration of gender and social inclusion in updated NDC (2)

- 4. Consult with women's machinery (Viet Nam Women's Union, Committee for Advancement of Women, and women's organizations working on climate change and gender → get inputs
- 5. Present with NDC taskforce (from different line ministries) → gender sensitize NDC taskforce
- 6. Provide inputs on gender directly into the updated NDC.

With technical support from UN Women and other partners.



Gender in updated NDC

Adaptation

- > "Viet Nam aims to adapt to climate change by minimizing damage to people and property due to CC, reducing vulnerability and increasing resilience."
- ➤ Updated NDC includes mitigation, adaptation, Harmonization and cobenefits between climate change adaptation promoting gender equality, reducing risks for vulnerable people such as the poor, ethnic minorities, the elderly, women, children, people with chronic diseases ...

Updated NDC Gender references

- ➤ Both men/women **impacted**; women more likely to be vulnerable;
- >Impact of CC on women's working in agriculture;
- ➤ Impact of CC, natural disasters, extreme weather on women and children's health; intersectionality;
- Impacts on economic lives/livelihoods: more women migrate than men risks and challenges

...but also important agents of change...

> "Develop and replicate typical **livelihood models of women** in areas vulnerable to climate change and natural disasters..."

And reference to action area: "To review, adjust and develop livelihoods and production processes in line with CC conditions associated with poverty alleviation and social justice."

Lessons learns

- Advance the collection and use of gender-specific data, as well as gender-specific monitoring & evaluation.
- ➤ Promote the recognition of women and local minorities as agents of change.
- Challenges to integrate gender in mitigation component.



Key recommendations

- Ensure participatory mapping, planning, monitoring and evaluation, as well as the consultation of (local) women.
- Accompany calculations of emission reduction and resilience enhancement with gender-specific qualitative data and real-life narratives.



- Ensure a gender approach to loss and damage assessments, and compensation.
- ➤ Promote tool for integrating gender in mitigation component under NDC.

