

Session 7, BG 1 on empowering groups of people in vulnerable situations

□ Key points raised

- The poor are seen as the problem, but they are and can be change makers and bring solutions
- The poor and marginalized have often been excluded from the urban planning process, and they must be actively engaged
- Small grants can make a huge difference for communities/municipalities and can leverage
- Obtaining and having access to disaggregated data is a challenge.
- More consultations with local authorities
- Community discussions and representations
- Need expertise to conduct climate proofing of projects and planning
- Finance to flow from national to local governments
- Development needs to reflect the needs of the poor and marginalized