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Integration of gender into national
climate policies, plans, strategies and in
Viet Nam

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Experience and Lessons learn

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Integration of Gender in updated NDC (1)

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 co-benefits 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 ...



Integration of Gender in updated NDC (2)

- 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**.."*

Gender mainstreaming in NAP (2021-2030 with 2050 vision)

- Context: recognize that gender inequality might increase due to impacts of CC in livelihoods, health, assets, national resources, and women's unpaid work and their participation in decision making.
- Vulnerability: clarify gender differences in vulnerabilities to CC through evidences on how women and vulnerable groups are affected differently.
- Loss and damage: highlight women's roles in agriculture the sector that are most affected by CC and emphasize women as a change actor.
- Objectives: pay attention to vulnerabilities and characteristics of vulnerable groups
- Tasks and solutions for each sectors: consider vulnerabilities of different groups, building capacity on adaption for women and vulnerable groups, increase knowledge on gender for sectors, promote women participation and leaderships in implementation; invest in women led initiatives.



Integration of gender into National Action Plan to Response to Climate Change (2021-2030) (drafting)

In the technical reports:

- Highlight the gender gaps in the review of the existing Action Plan in each sectors
- Identify challenges and lesson learnt from gender perspectives such as: lack of sex and age disaggregated data, limited knowledge on designing and implementing gender response climate change programmes, limited programme focus on women and vulnerable groups...
- Provide recommendations to the new Action Plan.

Integration of Climate Change into the National Strategy on Gender Equality 2021-2030 (drafting)

- Disaster risk reduction and climate change is included as one priority in the NSGE (for the 1st time)
- Recognize the close linkage between gender and climate change.
- 04 targets:
 - 100% communication programme on disaster and climate change are gender integrated.
 - 100% members of disaster risk management and climate change response committee are trained on gender equality.
 - 100% programmes and plans of disasters and climate change at commune, district and provincial level are gender integrated.
 - At least 30% climate smart agriculture initiatives are led by women.

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 and other CC related policies.



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