Available tools for the use of indigenous and traditional knowledge (ITK) and practices for adaptation, needs of local and indigenous communities, and the application of gender-sensitive approaches and tools for adaptation

Joint meeting of the Adaptation Committee and the Nairobi Work Programme

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PART II: APPLICATION OF GENDER-SENSITIVE APPROACHES AND TOOLS FOR ADAPTATION

3-4 APRIL 2014



Mandate

Nairobi work programme: a technical expert meeting on the application of gender-sensitive tools and approaches for understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change, with a view to developing recommendations for practitioners (SBSTA 38)

Joint meeting following a recommendation from the Adaptation Committee and conclusions from SBSTA 39



Expected outputs

 Input to recommendations for adaptation practitioners on the application of gender-sensitive approaches and tools for understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change.



Scope and approach

Key issues to be addressed through a series of guiding questions in various sessions planned for today and tomorrow:

- What gender-sensitive tools and approaches exist to support the understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change? What are the opportunities and challenges?
- How can information on approaches and tools be collected, evaluated and disseminated for use by local, national and international adaptation practitioners?
- How can gender-sensitive approaches and tools inform adaptation and how can practitioners integrate gender-sensitive approaches and tools in understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change? When is it appropriate to do so? What is needed?
- How can adaptation practitioners best apply gender-sensitive approaches and tools across adaptation process and ensure that adaptation initiatives are gender-sensitive?



To build on

 Technical paper on the best practices and available tools for the use of indigenous and traditional knowledge and practices for adaptation, and the application of gender-sensitive approaches and tools for understanding and assessing impacts, vulnerability and adaptation to climate change. <FCCC/TP/2013/11>



Key points from the technical paper

- What do we mean by gender-sensitive approaches and tools for adaptation? Methodologies and practices applied to ensure that both men and women's concerns, aspirations, opportunities and capacities are taken into account in all climate change adaptation activities, including assessments, planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, and technology development.
- Gender-sensitive tools and approaches primarily applied during planning and design of adaptation actions.
- Limited experience in applying monitoring and evaluation tools for assessing the gender sensitivity of adaptation projects and programmes.
- No clear guidance on how to develop gender-sensitive indicators at all levels of adaptation projects.
- Need of more research linking successful adaptation and the consideration of gender sensitivity.



Deliverables

- An information document on key outcomes of the meeting to be made available for SBSTA 40 (June 2014) under the Nairobi work programme
- Potential knowledge product in collaboration with relevant organizations (2014)



Thank you!

Further details on the meeting are available at: https://www.unfccc.int/8020.php

