

Achieving gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environment and disaster risk reduction

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Context

- Vulnerability to and impacts of climate change are not gender neutral.
- Existing gender inequalities vary over space and time and influence how different people experience and adapt to the impacts of climate change.
- Despite the progress made, only a handful of policies and strategies take comprehensive gender responsive approach into account.
- Amongst the set of stakeholders working on the issue of climate change, donors' leadership on the promotion of social and gender dimensions of climate change is crucial.



ActionAid Bangladesh's Gender Responsive Climate Change Initiatives

- Women-led emergency response
- Women resilience index
- Women climate champions
- Women-led action research (GonoGobeshona)
- Making market work for women (Women entrepreneurship)
- Empowering women farmers for climate resilient sustainable agriculture (CRSA)
- Gender responsive climate budgeting
- Policy advocacy (Climate Change Gender Action Plan)



Sustainable actions for climate resilient low-carbon development

- Address unequal power between men and women.
- Understand the context and time sensitive gendered impacts of climate change.
- Consider social variables like ethnicity, caste and culture to solicit solutions at scale.
- Take stock of the current resources and identify additional resources for gender responsive planning, policies and implementation.
- Fill the knowledge and practice gaps in participatory ways that capture men's, women's and young people's ideas and knowledge



Sustainable actions for climate resilient low-carbon development

- Work for gender sensitive policy and programme evaluation, and inclusive accountability mechanisms.
- Promote gender-inclusive policy dialogue and accountability at international negotiations (e.g., CEDAW, COP), national planning and climate finance architecture.
- Create enabling organizational environments for effective gender mainstreaming by addressing 'mainstreaming fatigue'





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