



Capacity Building for Local Adaptation to Climate Change (CLACC)

Cities and Climate Change

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About CLACC

CLACC (Capacity Strengthening of Least Developed Countries (LDCs) to Adapt to Climate Change) is a group of fellows and international experts working on adaptation to climate change for the LDCs. CLACC's aim is to strengthen the capacity of organizations in poor countries and support their initiatives in sustainable development. Because their degree of vulnerability is high, the programmes in LDCs require long-term capacity strengthening within governments as well as civil society. CLACC's work is focused on 15 vulnerable countries in the LDC group, 12 in Africa and 3 in South Asia. These regions include the communities that will be disproportionately and negatively affected by climate change.

CLACC's Objectives

- to strengthen the capacity of civil society in LDCs to adapt to climate change creating greater adaptive capacity among the most vulnerable groups.
- to establish an information and knowledge system catering to countries dealing with the adverse impacts of climate change.
- to mainstream the National Adaptation Programmes of Action (NAPA) process with key non-governmental stakeholders.



Urban Vulnerability: Flooding in Mombasa, Kenya

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Climate change related extreme events and gradual changes have rarely been considered in urban planning or infrastructural design in the LDCs. There is also a lack of city level risk and vulnerability maps that could facilitate awareness raising, planning, and decision making processes in the LDCs. Because of these issues,



Vulnerable Housing: Dhaka, Bangladesh

CLACC has placed special emphasis on the linkage between climate change and urbanization for the year 2007-8. Innovative urban policies and practices have shown that adaptation is possible and can be built into development plans. These include community-based initiatives led by organizations formed by the urban poor and local governments working in partnership with their low-income populations. CLACC's work on climate change adaptation in cities aims to provide the necessary information for communities and local governments alike to address this issue in the best possible way.

The specific objectives of the work on cities and climate change are:

- to collect and analyse available city reports and maps in order to prepare a review document highlighting climate related problems (current stressors and projected climate change impacts) and their impacts (on a variety of sectors, and affected by the level of adaptive capacity present) in each city;
- to conduct an institutional mapping exercise of relevant stakeholders (their current function and potential role in climate change adaptation) and to discuss the review document with these;
- to produce a set of base maps for each city (showing key physical, administrative and demographic features), to superimpose climate related risk and vulnerability on these, and to prepare an international CLACC City Atlas displaying this information in a comparative format;
- to provide the necessary information for communities and local governments to address climate change adaptation in the best possible way.



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