

GENDER RESPONSIVE NDC IMPLEMENTATION IN BHUTAN (JAN2019 - JUNE 2021)

PROJECT SIGNED 4TH JANUARY 2019

INCEPTION MEETING COMPLETED 24TH JANUARY 2019

IMPLEMENTING PARTIES INCLUDE :

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION (NEC)


NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMAN AND CHILDREN (NCWC)

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GENDER ANALYSIS OF NATIONAL CONTEXT

- In-depth Gender-climate assessment in priority sectors of Agriculture, Energy and Waste under process (19th April-19th Dec 2019).

Assessment expectations

- comprehensive study elaborating gender climate linkages in NDC priority sectors of Agriculture, Waste, and Energy along with data collection, tabulation and analysis
 - provide concrete short term and long-term recommendations as part of the analysis within project activities, scope and duration
 - provide inputs beyond project scope and duration to inform future projects and programs in mainstreaming gender in climate actions
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- deep dive in three areas of governance (institutional frameworks and coordination mechanisms), planning (looking at frameworks and processes of NDC plans, sectoral roadmaps) and policy (policy instruments of mitigation/adaptation actions). By providing concrete, action-oriented inputs/ recommendations
- Capacity needs assessment (capacity gaps and trainings for target groups)
- Mainstreaming gender in the draft climate change policy
- Conduct one national workshop to present the report findings, recommendations and collect feedback

GOVERNANCE/ INSTITUTIONAL COORDINATION

Existing mechanisms in place

- NCWC established in 2004 with the mandate to mainstream, protect and promote the rights of women and children in Bhutan.
- Institutionalization of Gender focals in all agencies and 20 districts (lead NCWC)
- Institutionalization of Gender expert group (govt agencies, pvt sector, CSO)
- Institutionalization of the Mainstreaming Reference Group (multisector group) in all 20 districts with mandate to mainstream cross cutting issues in plans, policies (lead NEC& GNHC)
- C4 group set up with objective of strengthening and revamping the Multi-Sectoral Technical Committee on Climate Change (15 members representing various governmental agencies and civil society organization, chaired by the Secretary of NEC)
- Extension officers sensitized in gender mainstreaming

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Project contributions

- Project board established
- Project stakeholders appointed
- TWG on NDC initiated
- Establish gender responsive institutional framework for NDC implementation

PLANNING- ACTIVITIES PLANNED UNDER THE PROJECT

- In-depth gender climate assessment
- Develop or update tools/ manuals/ checklists to mainstream gender in all levels of planning and implementation
- Capacity building of key stakeholders (target gp:project stakeholders, private sector and existing groups like the MRG, Gender focal, C4 group etc)
- Conduct evidence based assessments on low carbon development
- Ensure the draft climate change policy is sensitive to gender issues
- Gender responsive framework for NDC implementation
- Support women and youth groups in entrepreneurship programs
- Private sector engagement on NDC investment opportunities
- Pilot sustainable waste management with focus MSW and composting

POLICY

- Protocol for Policy formulation (lead GNHC) requires mainstreaming of cross cutting issues including gender. Policy Screening tool also ensures gender equality mainstreamed in all policies
- Draft Climate Change policy prepared. Efforts to promote a gender responsive climate policy underway
- 12th FYP (2018-2023) National Key Result Area(NKRA) on gender equality promoted, women and girls empowered

CAPACITY

- Ongoing efforts on capacity development across all government agencies and CSOs to sensitize, and build capacity on overall gender issues but not specific to gender –climate relation and action
- Through project support capacity building planned for project stakeholders and further strengthening of the existing groups like the MRG, Gender focal persons, C4 group etc
- Find champions to advocate the work on gender

OTHER MESSAGES

- Project has received support from the NCWC to support mainstreaming gender in the NDC process
- Need additional support (TA) to NCWC and NEC in taking forward the NDC gender integration initiatives.
- Identify and link potential partnerships, south-south and learning opportunities to promote TOTs
- Support communication and advocacy