Adaptation at the local level

- Highlights from the Adaptation Fund Financed country initiatives

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Myanmar DROUGHT





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MORE WATER = MORE RESILIENCE

community irrigation system doubles rice production

Maldives

ONE METER ABOVE

I wake up in the middle of the night to the sound of waves crashing against my house...

Lamya Mohamed

80% of land in the Maldives is below a meter above sea level







Adaptation Fund and UNDP Global Portfolio





\$131 Million Portfolio 22 projects in 22 countries Adaptation Fund





Adaptation Fund and UNDP Signature Programs



Supporting Integrated Climate Change Strategies



Advancing Cross-Sectoral Climate Resilient Livelihoods



Ecosystem-Based Adaptation



Fostering Resilience for Food Security





Climate Resilient Integrated Water Resource and Coastal Management



Community Resilience through Integrated Landscape Management



Power of Collective Action





Empowerment – a critical ingredient for successful adaptation

Mauritius

- Mangrove nursery 20,000 planted
- Community-based approach
- Planting campaigns
- Seaweed farming

Colombia

- Rainwater harvesting
- Adaptive rice production
- Home gardens
- Wetland restoration





Barrier Removal is Critical

Turkmenistan

Legal and Institutional Barriers:

- Awareness raising among policy makers
- Revisions to nation's Water Code
- Community-level water management Water User Groups
- Gender mainstreaming 30% women's membership
- Water tariffs maintenance of water infrastructure
- Recommendations to farmers reduce degradation

Cost and Technological barriers:

- Dams and reservoirs
- Irrigation systems
- Greenhouses
- Afforestation
- 30,000+ people increased resilience



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Mauritius

Early warnings save lives and build climate resilience

- Mauritius is the first SIDS in Indian Ocean with its own storm surge Early Warning System (EWS)
- Fully automated EWS predicts where and when a storm surge is expected
- **Timely alerts**, up to 3 days in advance (probabilistic forecast) and 6 hour deterministic forecast, when a storm threatens
- High performance computers and equipment provided
- Capacity building of the Mauritius Meteorological Services (MMS) staff enhanced through training
- Simulation drills in coastal areas sensitise population in responding to the alerts



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Tromelin Island

MauritiusPort Louis Saint-Denis Reunion



Transformational Change

- 1. Strengthening national and sub-national systems is critical
- 2. Incubators necessary for testing
- 3. Transformational change is context specific; Part of a continuum that includes coping, adaptation, resilience and transformation (change of state)
- 4. Planning, data is necessary but not sufficient
- 5. Incentivizing behavioral change for scaled up action

Rioni River Basin 200,000 people







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