



## Training on Gender and Climate: Towards Equitable and Inclusive Transformation

[Batch 5]

### Background

Climate change is causing intensified cyclones, storm surges, and sea-level rise in Bangladesh's coastal areas, which is accelerating saltwater intrusion into freshwater resources and thus increasing salinity. This salinity is projected to adversely impact freshwater dependent agricultural livelihoods (leading to loss of productivity or livelihoods) as well as the availability and quality of drinking water in the vulnerable coastal communities. Furthermore, given the crucial role that women play in water security and household level resilience, and their socio-economic marginalization, the climate change-induced threat to agricultural livelihoods and drinking water security of the affected coastal communities disproportionately affects women and girls. Funded by Green Climate Fund (GCF) and cofinanced by Government of Bangladesh (GoB), since 2019, MoWCA through Department of Women Affairs (DWA) and Department of Public Health (DPHE) as implementing agencies with the technical support of UNDP is implementing 'Enhancing adaptive capacity of coastal communities, especially women, to cope with climate change induced salinity' (popularly known as; Gender-responsive Coastal Adaptation-GCA) project in three upazilas of Khulna (Dacope, Koyra and Paikgacha) and two upazilas of Satkhira (Assasuni and Shyamnagar) district to (1) improve the adaptive capacities of coastal communities by introducing climate-adaptive livelihoods and (2) ensure the availability of drinking water throughout the year by introducing rainwater harvesting systems.

GCA project looks forward to bring gender transformational changes in the coastal communities especially in terms of changing the gender norms that burdens women with additional unpaid care work and restricts them to benefit from high value and productive roles. Therefore, the project will empower target communities, especially women, as 'change-agents' to plan, implement, and manage resilient livelihoods and drinking water solutions. The project will enable those communities to address climate change risks on livelihood and drinking water security to promote synergistic co-benefits. The project, as a head start for an integrated effort to facilitate Gender Responsive Climate Actions, is organising two-days' training on 'Gender and Climate' for government officials who are working as gender focal persons across the key ministries, divisions and attached government departments/institutions of Bangladesh.

### Objectives

To develop understanding on-

- the basics of climate change in terms of the coastal area using a gender lens;
- how climate finance and climate adaptation planning work in the national context;
- gender responsive climate actions and critical gender dimensions in climate induced disaster risk reduction.



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### Participant Profile

The training targets to include 30 GoB officials (Gender Focal Persons) representing key ministries, divisions, and attached government departments/institutions of Bangladesh. NPD-GCA, representatives from GCA project (PMU & KRO) & UNDP and Experts (National & International) will facilitate the training.

### Date & Venue

24-25 August 2022 (with travelling on 23 August's afternoon) at Sarah Resort, Gazipur, Dhaka.

## PROGRAMME DETAIL

24-25 August 2022

Sarah Resort, Rajabari, Gazipur, Dhaka.

Date/Day	Sessions	Facilitator/ Moderator (Tentative)
<b>23 August 2022</b>		
By 19:00	Arrival at the Training Venue	GCA-UNDP Team
20:00 - 22:00	Dinner	
<b>24 August 2022</b>		
07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast	
08:30 - 08:40	Participants taking seats	
08:40 - 08:45	Welcome Remarks and setting the tone	Mohammad Iftekhar Hossain Project Coordinator, GCA Project
08:45- 09:15	GCA Project Overview and relevance of climate integration in Beijing Platform for Action	Md. Iqbal Hussain National Project Director, GCA Project and Joint Secretary, MoWCA
09:15 - 10:00	Session 1 <i>Introduction to Climate Change and Relevant Terminologies</i>	Mohammad Iftekhar Hossain Project Coordinator, GCA Project
10:00- 10:45	Session 2 <i>Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment for Sustainable Development</i>	Sharmin Islam Gender Analyst, UNDP
10:45- 11:00	<b>Health Break</b>	
11: 00- 11:45	Session 3 <i>Why Gender and Climate? GCA Project and Climate-gender Nexus Overview</i>	Maliha Muzammil Programme Officer - Climate Finance Governance and Gender, UNDP
11: 45- 12:15	Session 4 <i>Gender-responsive Drinking Water Management: GCA Example</i>	Md. Mainul Islam WATSAN Specialist,



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		GCA Project, UNDP
12:15 - 13:00	Session 5 <i>Gender-responsive Climate Action – Learning from Different projects (group work)</i>	Zinat Hasiba Gender Specialist, GCA Project, UNDP
13:00- 13:45	<b>Lunch and Prayer Break</b>	
13:45 –14:15	Session 6 <i>Climate Change and Gender Action Plan (ccGAP: Bangladesh)</i>	Zinat Hasiba Gender Specialist, GCA Project, UNDP
14:15 –15:00	Session 7 <i>Gender Responsive Climate Change Adaptation Planning</i>	Arif Mohammad Faisal Programme Specialist, Environmental Sustainability and Energy, UNDP
15:00- 15:15	<b>Health Break</b>	
15:15- 16:00	Session 8 <i>Gender and Disaster Risk Reduction</i>	Apurba Swatee Mahboob Capacity Building and Policy Advocacy Specialist, UNDP
16:00- 16:30	Session 9 <i>Going Green: How can we all take part in Climate Action?</i>	Amir Hamza Xihad, Chief Trainer, Mekateam
<b>25 August 2022</b>		
8:30 – 9:15	Session 10 <i>Climate finance &amp; Access to Climate Finance: Bangladesh Scenario</i>	Mohammad Iftekhar Hossain Project Coordinator, GCA Project
9:15- 10:30	Session 11 Gender Equity and Climate Finance	Szilvia Lehel Gender and Climate Change Specialist, UNDP
10:30-10:45	<b>Health Break</b>	
10:45 - 11:30	Session 12 Gender and Climate Budget Group work	Sharmind Neelormi Associate Professor Jahangir Nagar University



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11:30 – 12:15	Session 13 Presentations from Group Works under Session 7	Sharmin Neelormi Associate Professor Jahangir Nagar University
12:15–12:40	Evaluation & Feedback	Mohammad Iftekhar Hossain Project Coordinator, GCA Project
12:40 – 13:20	Session 14 <i>Lesson Learned &amp; their applicability</i>	Farida Pervin, DG, DWA, MoWCA
13:20 – 13:40	<b>Closing</b>	
13:40- 14:30	<b>Lunch and Leaving the venue</b>	

### Logistics

Accommodation & food at the venue and transportation support (in large vehicle as a full team) to the venue from and to Dhaka will be provided to the participants. All these expenditures will be born from the PA part of the project.

### For any query or clarification, please contact

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