

Community Resilience Partnership Program (CRPP) PARTNERSHIP FORUM 2023

28 February – 1 March 2023
Courtyard by Marriott, Bangkok, Thailand

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I. Background

Climate change, with altering trends and shifts in the long-term average climate and increasing frequency and intensity of extreme events, is causing devastating impacts to people's lives and livelihoods across Asia and the Pacific. As these climate shocks and stresses unfold in parallel with other global trends, such as increase in inequality and increase in biodiversity loss, it is the poor and vulnerable population that are often hardest hit. Over 400 million people are already estimated to live in extreme poverty in Asia and the Pacific region¹ and evidence suggests that globally, climate change could push a further 32 million to 132 million additional people into extreme poverty by 2030.² It is in these low-income population groups that the largest adaptation gap exists. Women living in low-income communities are particularly disproportionately affected by these climate shocks and stresses, largely as a result of powerful social and cultural issues that increase their vulnerability and limit their capacity to adapt. With the risk of severe impacts of climate change increasing with every increment of global warming, immediate action is required to scale-up investments in climate change adaptation that explicitly target the nexus between climate, poverty and gender.

The IPCC's 6th Assessment Report released in 2022, points to increasing evidence that integrated, multi-sector adaptation solutions that address social inequalities, based on climate risk and local context are found to be the most feasible and effective. This can be especially important for people in low-income communities because it is the social and political inequalities and power imbalances that intersect with a lack of economic resources that drive their vulnerability. Addressing the underlying causes of vulnerability, including through governance that prioritizes equity and justice in adaptation planning and implementation, can therefore lead to more effective and sustainable adaptation outcomes.

The [Community Resilience Partnership Program](#) (CRPP) has been developed in this context. The CRPP aims to help countries and communities in Asia and the Pacific scale up investments in climate adaptation that directly benefit poor and vulnerable people and address the underlying issues of inequality that drive their vulnerability. The program will do this by supporting the delivery of adaptation measures hand-in-hand with large scale government programs on human development and poverty reduction, in sectors such as agriculture, health, education and social protection.

II. Objective

The first Partnership Forum of the CRPP is being organized for 2023, and will bring together community leaders, government officials, leading academics, think tanks, financing institutions and global climate funds to discuss **what role can poverty reduction programs play in building climate resilience?**

Lost agricultural income has been identified by the IPCC as one of the key factors that drives disproportionate impacts of climate change among poor households globally.³ The COVID-19 Pandemic

¹ R, Shaw *et al.* 2022. *Asia*. In: *Climate Change 2022: Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability*. Contribution of Working Group II to the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Cambridge University Press, Cambridge, UK and New York, NY, USA, pp.1468

² B.A, Jafino, *et al.* 2020. *Policy Research Working Paper 9417: Revised Estimates of the Impact of Climate Change on Extreme Poverty by 2030*. <https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/handle/10986/34555>

³ J, Birkmann, *et al.* 2022. *Poverty, Livelihoods and Sustainable Development*. In: *Climate Change 2022: Impacts, Adaptation, and Vulnerability*. Contribution of Working Group II to the Sixth Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

has also highlighted the critical role that social protection systems can play in protecting poor and vulnerable households from shocks and stresses.⁴ The **CRPP Partnership Forum 2023** will focus on **social protection** and **rural livelihoods** as key sectors for poverty reduction, with dedicated discussions that will help inform practical ways to design and deliver such programs so that they respond to current and future climate risk, address the underlying causes of vulnerability, and empower communities.

III. Forum at a Glance

Time	Day 1 28 February			Day 2 1 March	
09:00 – 10:15	Opening Session		09:15 – 10:30	Plenary 2: Poverty Reduction and Climate Resilience in Context: Climate Resilient Rural Livelihoods Promoting sustainable growth of the agriculture sector; an engine for poverty reduction and climate resilience	
10:45 – 12:00	Plenary 1: Poverty Reduction and Climate Resilience in Context: Adaptive Social Protection Adaptive Social Protection Systems: a targeted approach to responding to climate shocks and reducing poverty		11:00 – 12:00	Spotlight 3 Livelihood diversification as an adaptation strategy in rural communities: How can poor households benefit?	Spotlight 4 Investing in women farmers: opportunities for transformative adaptation at the local level
13:30– 14:30	Spotlight 1 Climate risk information for adaptive social protection	Spotlight 2 Scaling-up nature-based solutions through social protection programs	13:30– 14:30	Working Group Sessions 3 & 4	
14:30 – 15:30	Working Group Sessions 1 & 2		14:30 – 15:30	Roundtable Dialogue 2 What is needed to scale-up local level adaptation through large-scale investments in agriculture sector?	
16:00 – 17:00	Roundtable Dialogue 1 What is needed to scale-up investments in adaptive social protection in Asia- Pacific?		15:45 – 16:15	Closing Session	

⁴ World Bank. Poverty and Shared Prosperity 2022: Correcting Course. Washington, DC: World Bank.

17:15 – 19:00	Reception	16:30 – 18:00	CRPP Partnership Group Meeting (Closed Door)
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IV. Detailed Agenda

DAY 1	
09.00-10.15	OPENING SESSION (Venue: Erawan I and II)
	<p>1. Opening Remarks (15 min)</p> <p>Representative from community (5 min) ☞ Syarifah Anggreini Grassroots Leader Yakkum Emergency Unit, Member of Huairou Commission Indonesia</p> <p>CRPP Partnership Group Co-Chair: Nordic Development Fund (NDF) (5 min) ☞ Henrik Franklin Director, Portfolio Origination and Management Department, NDF</p> <p>CRPP Partnership Group Co-Chair: Asian Development Bank (ADB) (5 min) ☞ Warren Evans Special Senior Advisor (Climate Change) Office of the President, ADB</p> <p>2. Scene Setting Presentations (20 min)</p> <p>Climate Change, Poverty Trap and Gender Gap (10 min) ☞ Arghya Sinha Roy Principal Climate Change Specialist, ADB</p> <p>Does Climate Change Drive Poverty? (5 min) ☞ Ida Brzezinska Principal Consultant and Data Innovation Lead Research and Evidence Oxford Policy Management</p> <p>Climate Change and Poverty Reduction in Indonesia (5 min) ☞ Sudarno Sumarto Policy Advisor National Team for Acceleration of Poverty Reduction, Indonesia</p> <p>3. Opening Dialogue: (20 + 10 min)</p> <p>Topic: Poverty reduction in the context of increasing climate risk</p> <p>☞ Muhammad Ibrahim (4 min) Secretary, Local Government Division, Bangladesh</p> <p>☞ Ayako Inagaki (4 min) Director, Social and Human Development Division Southeast Asia Department, ADB</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Andrew Clayton (4 min) <i>Senior Social Development Adviser and Open Societies, Health and Humanitarian Pillar Lead, Indo-Pacific Regional Department, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, United Kingdom</i> ☞ Radhika Lal (4 min) <i>SDG Finance Policy Advisor and Team Lead (regional) United Nations Development Program</i> ☞ Anju Sharma (4 min) <i>Global Lead, Locally Led Adaptation, Global Center on Adaptation</i> <p>Moderator: Andrew Parker, Consultant, ADB</p> <p>Session Emcee: Zonibel Woods, Senior Social Development Specialist (Gender and Development), ADB</p>
10.15-10.45	Coffee Break
10.45 -12.00	Plenary Session 1: Poverty Reduction and Climate Resilience in Context: Adaptive Social Protection (Venue: Erawan I and II)
	<p>1.Scene Setting Presentations: (25 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Adaptive Social Protection: Overview (10 min) Laura Phelps <i>Principal Consultant Shock Responsive Social Protection Oxford Policy Management</i> ☞ Adaptive Social Protection: Indonesia (10 min) Erwinda Della Rizmadayanti <i>First Planner, Directorate of Population and Social Security BAPPENAS</i> ☞ Adaptive Social Protection at ADB (5 min) Wendy Walker <i>Chief of Social Development Thematic Group, ADB</i> <p>2.Panel Discussion on Adaptive Social Protection: (25 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mohammed Khurshed Alam Khan <i>Deputy Secretary, Cabinet Division Government of Bangladesh</i> – Agnes Soucat <i>Head of Health and Social Protection Agence Française de Développement</i> – Debora Dian Utami (Amie) <i>Director, Yakkum Emergency Unit Indonesia</i> – Tom Mitchell <i>Executive Director</i>

	<p><i>International Institute for Environment and Development</i></p> <p>– Gi Soon Song <i>Director, Human and Social Development Division South Asia Department</i></p> <p>Moderator: Wendy Walker, <i>Chief of Social Development Thematic Group, ADB</i></p> <p>Discussion (20 min)</p> <p>Session Emcee: Yukiko Ito, <i>Principal Social Development Specialist, ADB</i></p>
12.00 -13.30	Lunch (Momo Café)
13.30-14.30	Spotlight Session 1: Climate Risk Information for Adaptive Social Protection <i>(runs in parallel with Spotlight Session 2) (Venue: Erawan III)</i>
	<p>1.Spotlight Presentations: (15 min)</p> <p>☞ Experiences in use of climate risk information for social protection (5 min) Daniel Longhurst <i>Social Protection and Cash Based Transfers Adviser Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific World Food Program</i></p> <p>+</p> <p>Jothiganesh Sundaram <i>Anticipatory Action/Climate Risk Information Regional Bureau for Asia and the Pacific World Food Programme</i></p> <p>☞ Use of big data for adaptive social protection (5 min) Paul Jasper <i>Principal Consultant and Data Innovation Lead Research and Evidence Oxford Policy Management</i></p> <p>☞ Inclusive and gender-responsible forecast-based early actions in Viet Nam (5 min) Nguyen Thi Yen <i>Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction Advisor CARE International in Vietnam</i></p> <p>2.Discussants: (15 min)</p> <p>☞ Kareff Rafisura, Economics Affairs Officer (Space Application), UNESCAP</p> <p>☞ Emma Flaherty, Thematic Lead- Implementation, Risk-informed Early Action Partnership</p> <p>Discussion (30 min)</p> <p>Session Moderator: Sifayet Ullah, <i>Disaster Risk Management Specialist, ADB</i></p>

13.30-14.30	Spotlight Session 2: Scaling-up Nature-based Solutions Through Active Social Protection Programs <i>(runs in parallel with Spotlight Session 1)</i> <i>(Venue: Erawan IV&V)</i>
	<p>1.Spotlight Presentations: (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Experiences in nature-based solutions through active labor market programs (5 min) Ritu Bharadwaj <i>Principal Researcher (Climate Governance and Finance)</i> <i>International Institute for Environment and Development</i> ☞ Experiences in green skills and nature-based solutions (5 min) Julien Magnat <i>Skills and Employability Specialist</i> <i>Regional Office for Asia and Pacific</i> <i>International Labour Organization</i> ☞ Role of women in nature-based solutions as part of social protection programs (5 min) Riyana Puspasari <i>Social Development Officer (Gender), ADB</i> <p>2.Discussants: (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Bunchingiv Bazartseren, UN Environment Program – Aage Jorgensen, Program Manager, Nordic Development Fund <p>Discussion (30 min)</p> <p>Session Moderator: Nanki Kaur, <i>Senior Climate Change Specialist (Climate Change Adaptation), ADB</i></p>
14.30 -15.30	Working Group Sessions
	<p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ What are the challenges and opportunities in scaling up adaptive social protection? ☞ How can the role of local stakeholders (local governments, grassroots women’s groups) be strengthened in adaptive social protection? ☞ What role can CRPP play in supporting countries scale up adaptive social protection? <p>Group 1: <i>Facilitated by Yukiko Ito, Mousumi Pervin and Chandy Chea ADB (Venue: Erawan III)</i></p> <p>Group 2: <i>Facilitated by Cindy Bryson, Rachana Shreshtha and Nanki Kaur, ADB (Venue: Erawan IV&V)</i></p>
15.30 -16.00	Coffee Break
16.00 -17.00	Roundtable Dialogue 1
	Topic: Scaling up adaptive social protection

	<p>Chair: Government of Indonesia</p> <p>Interventions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Representatives from Working Group Discussion ☞ Government of Indonesia ☞ Government of Bangladesh ☞ Development Partner: ADB ☞ Moderator: <i>Yukiko Ito and Arghya Sinha Roy, ADB</i>
17.15-19.00	<p>RECEPTION (Venue: Hotel Pool Area)</p>
<p>DAY 2</p>	
09.15-10.30	<p>Plenary Session 2: Poverty Reduction and Climate Resilience in Context: Climate Resilient Rural Livelihoods (Venue: Erawan I and II)</p>
	<p>1.Scene Setting Presentations: (25 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Rural livelihoods in a changing climate (10 min) Andrew Parker <i>Consultant, ADB</i> ☞ Climate Resilient Rural Livelihoods: Priorities of Nepal (5 min) Naresh Sharma <i>Under Secretary, Ministry of Forests and Environment Government of Nepal</i> ☞ Pursuing community-led solutions for resilient rural development (5 min) Suranjana Gupta <i>Advisor on Community Resilience, Huairou Commission</i> <p>2. Panel Discussion (25 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Resilient rural livelihoods: Cambodia (5 min) H.E. Chan Phaloeun <i>Under Secretary of State Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries</i> ☞ Irfan Maqbool <i>Director, Risk Governance Department Asian Disaster Preparedness Center</i> ☞ Ruby Rose Policarpio <i>Team Leader, Institutional Development RIMES</i> ☞ Sophie De Coninck <i>Global Climate Facility Manager Local Climate Adaptive Living Facility (LoCAL) United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF)</i> <p style="text-align: center;">+</p>

	<p>Rafael Moser Local Climate Adaptive Living Facility (LoCAL), UNCDF</p> <p>☞ John Warburton Head of Climate and Environment, Indo-Pacific Regional Department Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, United Kingdom</p> <p>Moderator: Noelle O'Brien, Chief of Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management Thematic Group, ADB</p> <p>Discussion (20 min)</p> <p>Session Emcee: Ancha Srinivasan, Principal Climate Change Specialist, ADB</p>
10.30-11.00	Coffee Break
11.00-12.00	Spotlight 3: Livelihood diversification as an adaptation strategy in rural communities: How can poor households' benefit? (runs in parallel with Spotlight Session 4) (Venue: Erawan III)
	<p>1.Spotlight Presentations: (15 min)</p> <p>☞ Livelihood diversification as an adaptation strategy (5 min) Anju Sharma Lead, Locally Led Adaptation Global Center on Adaptation</p> <p>☞ Linking livelihoods and landscapes for adaptation (5 min) Sumit Pokhrel Environment Specialist South Asia Department, ADB</p> <p>☞ Strategies and practices for strengthening women's access to agriculture extension services: Lessons from the Global South (5 min) Ananya Chakraborty Senior Research Analyst, Climate Resilience Practice Program World Resources Institute, India</p> <p>Discussant: (15 min)</p> <p>☞ Ritu Bharadwaj Principal Researcher (Climate Governance and Finance) International Institute for Environment and Development</p> <p>☞ Alex Fowler Community Resilience Specialist (Consultant), ADB</p> <p>Discussion (30 min)</p> <p>Session Moderator: Anna Fink, Senior Country Economist, ADB</p>
11.00-12.00	Spotlight 4: Investing in women farmers: opportunities for transformative adaptation at the local level (runs in parallel with Spotlight Session 3) (Venue: Erawan IV&V)
	1.Spotlight Presentations: (15 min)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Investing in women farmers for climate resilience Ranjitha Puskur IRRI Representative – India Research Lead - Gender and Livelihoods Module Leader-Evidence, CGIAR GENDER Platform Sustainable Impact Platform ☞ Transformative climate adaptation through strengthening women led community-based organisations (5 min) Nuzhat Nueary Programme Officer Oxfam, Bangladesh <p>2. Discussant: (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Szilvia Lehel Regional Gender and Climate Finance Specialist, UNDP ☞ Lajana Manandhar Executive Director, Lumanti Support Group for Shelter, Nepal <p>Discussion (30 min)</p> <p>Session Moderator: Zonibel Woods, Senior Social Development Specialist (Gender and Development), ADB</p>
12.00-13.30	Lunch (Momo Café)
13.30-14.30	Working Group Sessions
	<p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ What are the challenges and opportunities in scaling up community-led solutions for climate resilient rural livelihoods? ☞ What are the opportunities for pursuing women-focused investments in the context of climate-resilient rural livelihoods? ☞ What role can CRPP play in supporting countries scale up of community-led solutions on climate resilient rural livelihoods? <p>Group 1: Facilitated by Anne Fink, Avani Dixit, and Nasheeba Selim, ADB (Venue: Erawan III)</p> <p>Group 2: Facilitated by Zonibel Woods, Yukiko Ito, and Sumit Pokhrel, ADB (Venue: Erawan IV&V)</p>
14.30-15.30	Roundtable Dialogue 2 (Venue: Erawan I and II)
	<p>Topic: Scaling up community-led solutions for resilient rural livelihoods</p> <p>Chair: Government of Bangladesh</p> <p>Interventions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Representatives from Working Group Discussion ☞ Government of Cambodia ☞ Government of Nepal

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Development Partner/s ☞ Moderator: Ancha Srinivasan and <i>Zonibel Woods</i>
15.30-15.45	Coffee Break
15.45-16.15	CLOSING SESSION <i>(Venue: Erawan I and II)</i>
	<p>Presentation on Next Steps: ADB (10 min)</p> <p>Closing Remarks: (15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☞ Agnes Soucat <i>Head of Health and Social Protection Agence Française de Développement</i> ☞ Representative from United Kingdom <i>Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office</i> ☞ Samantha Hung <i>Chief of Gender Equality Thematic Group Asian Development Bank</i> <p>Session Emcee: Yukiko Ito, <i>Principal Social Development Specialist, ADB</i></p>