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Gender-Responsive Climate Adaptation



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Nexus of Climate Change, Gender-inequality and Ethnicity

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THE BEAN BELT



Regional workshop on policy responses to climate change impacts on agriculture, indigenous livelihood, and food security with a focus on the coffee industry.

“Empower everyone to become policy designers through the deliberative and democratic policy design process.”





Akha ethnic farmers in Chiang Rai, Thailand



Hmong ethnic farmers in Chiang Mai, Thailand



Danu Ethnic Farmers from Southern Shan State, Credit: Genius Shan Highlands Coffee

Point 1: Pre-existing Gender inequality in the coffee industry

- Ethnic women have less access to higher education
- Coffee farms are inherited by sons
- Men possess the income from selling coffee beans and decide how to use money

Point 2: Gender-response to climate impacts on the coffee industry

- Diversify income i.e. selling vegetables, lower-grade of coffee bean products
- Create new products i.e. tea from coffee blossoms.

Point 3: Strategy to cope with climate impacts on the coffee industry

- Plant coffee trees under shade of a big tree
- DIY insect trap for Coffee Berry Borer



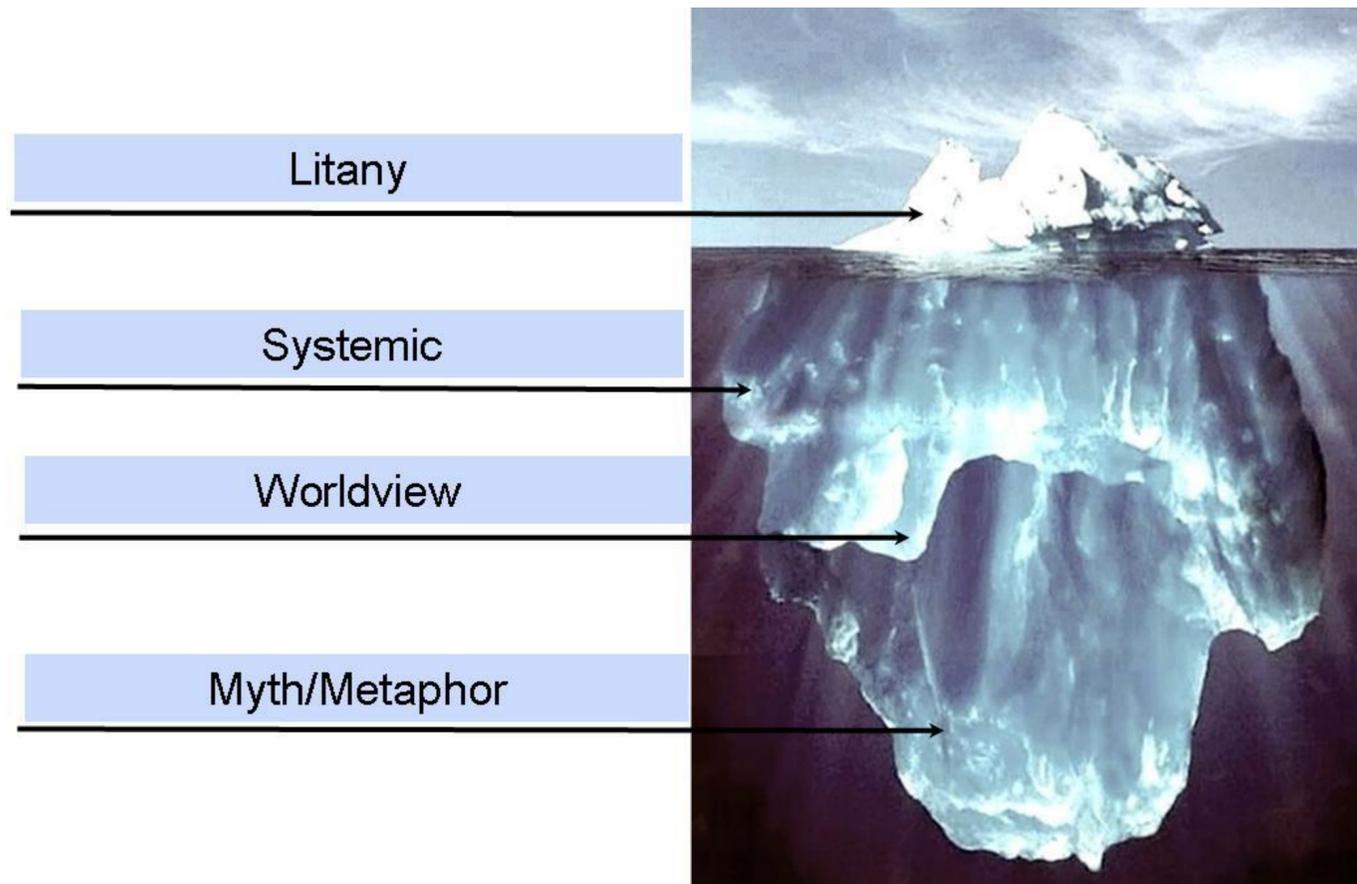
Causal Layered analysis

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Gender disparities in education, employment, income, and political representation.

Patriarchal systems, gender norms, and institutional biases.

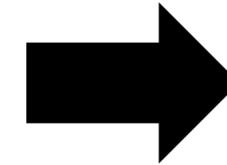
Societal beliefs about gender roles, the value of women's work, and the role of women in society.

Narrative, religious stories, or historical narratives that shape deep-seated beliefs about gender.

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- Change from within (inner development)
- Change metaphor/ narratives of themselves

- Men are leaders: elephant front leg
- Women are followers: elephant hind let

- Women are mahout





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Thank you.