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Gender and Climate Change Adaptation: Experiences and Lessons Learned

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Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment



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Multiple Vulnerabilities...

- Gender
- Poverty
- Climate Change

...Require Cross-Practice Approaches

- Within UNDP
- Through our partnerships: government, civil society, other UN agencies
- Crucial role in mainstreaming discourse, knowledge, awareness change

Without Gender Equality, no successful Climate Change Adaptation!

Responding to Climate Change Challenges



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Cambodia:

Promoting Climate Resilient Water Resource Management and Agricultural Practices in Rural Cambodia (NAPA follow-up)

- Improved awareness and enhanced capacity of project staff on how to identify gender concerns through gender analysis frameworks;
- Supported project staff in identifying opportunities to address gender concerns;
- Supported project staff in developing Gender Action Plans
- Supported project staff during the implementation of the identified gender strategies and actions.

Partnership with Energia and MOWA (Provincial Department of Women's Affairs)

Energy Access in Asia and the Pacific



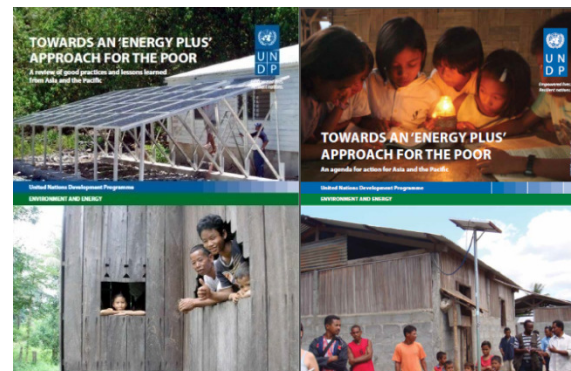
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India: Jagriti case study

- Energy-efficient and drudgery-reducing devices to replace high-cost traditional energy sources
- Mobilizing women's savings and credit groups
- 2001-2003 but activities and mechanisms sustained
- Gender transformation in 1,000+ households
- Reduced burden resulted in economic, political and social empowerment
- Importance of accurate targeting

For more information:

Towards an 'Energy Plus' approach for the poor:
A review of good practices and lessons
learned from Asia and the Pacific



Lessons Learned



The importance of partnerships:

- for institutional sustainability
- for learning and knowledge management

The importance of data:

- For evidence-based policy making
- To put gender on the agenda more broadly
- To move from women-specific focus to gender mainstreaming

The importance of capacity development

- As a spring board to get discussions started
- As an incentive for mainstreaming
- As a long term strategy for sustainable results



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