



INTRODUCTION

Enhancing climate change resilience among the vulnerable communities' calls for building capacities of those affected by climate change and those with obligation to execute policies, laws and actions that support either adaptation or mitigation. CUTS undertook the subject training in Homa Bay County as part of equipping the vulnerable community to be able to effectively engage in climate change planning and execution process. The training was officially convened after the formal establishment of the three VCA pilot community development forums (CDFs) and attended by over 53 community development facilitators, CUTS staff and facilitators with an aim of equipping the participants with knowledge and skills for lobbying and advocacy around climate change issues. In attendance was also the consultant tasked with the delivery of training sessions on climate action participatory planning and decision-making targeting 50 Community Climate change champions.



Participants of the participatory planning and decision making actively engaged by the consultant.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

- a) To equip the CDFs with effective skills and knowledge on adaptation for climate change
- b) Build the capacity of CDFs with lobbying and advocacy skills.
- c) To strengthen the CDFs capacity with legal knowledge on policy formulation.
- d) To build the capacity of CDFs to be able to participate on locally led climate change projects to be included in the third Generation GDP 2023-2027 and subsequent annual budget.

The Expected Outputs included: -

- ❖ 40 climate change advocates trained on participatory planning approaches in matters climate change.
- ❖ 3 ward adaptation and mitigation plans developed and shared with county government and development partners for funding.

Group work sessions

a. Gwasii North



Participatory Climate Change Action Planning Group work for Gwasii North Ward CDF in Progress

CLIMATE CHANGE HAZARD	CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT	SECTORS OF INTEREST	PROPOSED LOCALLY LED ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION PROJECTS	RESULTS EXPECTED
		GWASI NORTH		
Drought	-Famine Soil erosion	Agriculture Health	-Planting of drought resistant crops	-Improved food security
Floods	-Water borne diseases	Water Fisheries	-Planting cover crops -Planting trees	-Reforestation -Improved food security
Water scarcity	-Interfering with Nyamgodho historical site in Nyandiwa	Gender culture and sports Environment	-Enforcement of government policies on deforestation -Fencing and protecting Nyamgodho site	-Improved tourist attraction -Increased water supply
Poor disposal of waste management	-Loss of livestock -Human diseases -Airborne disease -Water borne diseases -Air pollution		-Drilling of boreholes -Construction of dumping sites NEMA regulations to be strictly adhered to.	-Proper waste disposal -Environment friendly waste management

b. Kasingri West

CLIMATE CHANGE HAZARD	CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT	SECTORS OF INTEREST	PROPOSED LOCALLY LED ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION PROJECTS	RESULTS EXPECTED
		KAKSINGRI WEST		
Flooding Drought lake overflow Uncontrolled sand harvesting Emergence of pest and diseases affecting livestock	Lack of food Health problems Displacement of people Loss of marine life Diseases Food insecurity High cost of living	Agriculture Land Fisheries Environment Agriculture Health	Construction of dykes Construction of gabions Afforestation Planting of aquatic plants Enforcing law Capacity building on pest management and control Procure and supply of pesticides to affected farmers	Food security Good health Restoration of coastline Improved economy Breeding of marine life High yields Low cost of farming Good health



Participatory Climate Change Action Planning Group work for Kasingri West Ward CDF in Progress

c. Lambwe

CONSOLIDATED CLIMATE CHANGE PARTICIPATORY PLANNING TEMPLATE TO BE MAINSTREAMED INTO THE {CIDP} PROCESS BY CDFs

CLIMATE CHANGE HAZARD	CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT	SECTORS OF INTEREST	PROPOSED LOCALLY LED ADAPTATION AND MITIGATION PROJECTS	RESULTS EXPECTED
		LAMBWE WARD		
Flooding Deforestation Drought	Famine Displacement of people Soil erosion Drought Food insecurity Poverty Malnutrition	Agriculture Water Forestry Health	Construction of dykes Construction of dams Construction of gabions Afforestation FMR approach Evergreen Law enforcement Smart agriculture Drought tolerant crops	Reduced incidences of flooding Steady rainfall Food security Better standards of living



Participatory Climate Change Action Planning Group work for Lambwe Ward CDF in Progress

SESSION FEEDBACK

- a) In the discussion process it was evident that the three VCA-Pilot wards shared the same climate change impacts similarities but lacked skills for mitigation.

b) Lack of climate change policy for Homa Bay County was making it difficult to respond to climate change shocks.



c) It was also noted that climate change actions were not budgeted for by the County Government despite of its negative social impacts to health and food security.

d) Land degradation across the three wards as a result of unsustainable, sand harvesting, quarry mining and soil erosion remains a major challenge fuelling climate change hazards.

e) Encroachment of the riparian areas including Gwasssi Hills, Rangwa, Gembe Hills, Lambwe forest has worrying trends.

f) Wild forest fires are a danger to bio diversity.

GENERAL COMMENTS

- a) That the community development forums (CDF) approach can be used as a more vital platform for enhancing community grassroots engagements.
- b) That the county government should prioritize passage and actualization of the Homa Bay County climate change Act soonest possible to help address climate change threats.
- c) That it is very important for county government to allocate financial resources domiciled in the department of Environmental and Climate Directorate for climate change actions at the community level.

KAKSINGRI WEST WARD CONSOLIDATED CLIMATE CHANGE PARTICIPATORY TEMPLATE: TO BE MAIN OUTCOME IN CIDP 2022-2027

S/NO	CLIMATE CHANGE HAZARD	CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACT	SECTOR/DEPT.	PROPOSED ADAPTATION PLAN	EXPECTED RESULTS	SUCCESS INDICATORS
1.	Land degradation in Suba South	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil erosion • Gulleys • Loss of nutrients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Agriculture ➤ Environment ➤ water ➤ Energy ➤ Lands ➤ KFS ➤ NEMA ➤ NGAO ➤ Partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Capacity building on land use plan - Policy formulation - Extension services enhanced - Strengthening of existing community structures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reversed degraded sites - Re-afforestation - Extension services imported - Increased food security 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Restricted lands - Enhanced food security - Re-afforestation enhanced - No. of training and meeting conducted - Climate change policy adopted
2.	Deafforestation and Encroachment of riparian zones (Rang'wa, Gembe, Gwassi, Beaches, River Banks etc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Erotic rainfalls ✓ Desertification ✓ Loss of biodiversity ✓ Animal/Human conflict 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Agriculture ➤ Environment ➤ water ➤ KFS ➤ NEMA ➤ Partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Awareness creation - Law enforcement - Climate change policy - Gazettement of the Riparian areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Restored forest - Enhanced community participation - Restored nature - Reduced animal/Human conflict 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No. of restored sites - No. of gazetted lands and forests - Enhanced community participation
3.	Poor solid waste management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Poor hygiene and sanitation - Spread of diseases - Increased pollution 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Health - Land - NEMA - NGOs - Partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community sensitization - County GOK to procure dumping site - Climate change policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Improved sanitation ○ Reduced communicable diseases. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dumping site identified ▪ Clean and healthy environment ▪ Human safety ▪ Reduced pollution
4.	Poor drainage in Sindo town and its environs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Flooding ❖ Displacement ❖ Destruction of social amenities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Environment & water ▪ Land ▪ Trade ▪ NEMA ▪ NGOs ▪ Partners ▪ Roads 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spatial planning ▪ Reconstruction of the drainages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved drainage - Healthy environment - Community member taking charge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spatial plan - Improved drainage - Improved road infrastructure

5.	Unsustainable sand harvesting and quarry mining	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increased land degradation ▪ Increase lake serge ▪ Land slides ▪ Soil erosion ▪ Displacement of people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Environment, Energy & water ▪ Land ▪ NEMA ▪ NGOs ▪ Partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Awareness creation - Sand harvesting policy adopted - Law enforcement - Formation of SACCOs to control harvesting and selling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Established community structures e.g SACCOs - Conserved environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sand harvesting policy - Established SACCO for sand & quarry mining - Conserved environment.
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