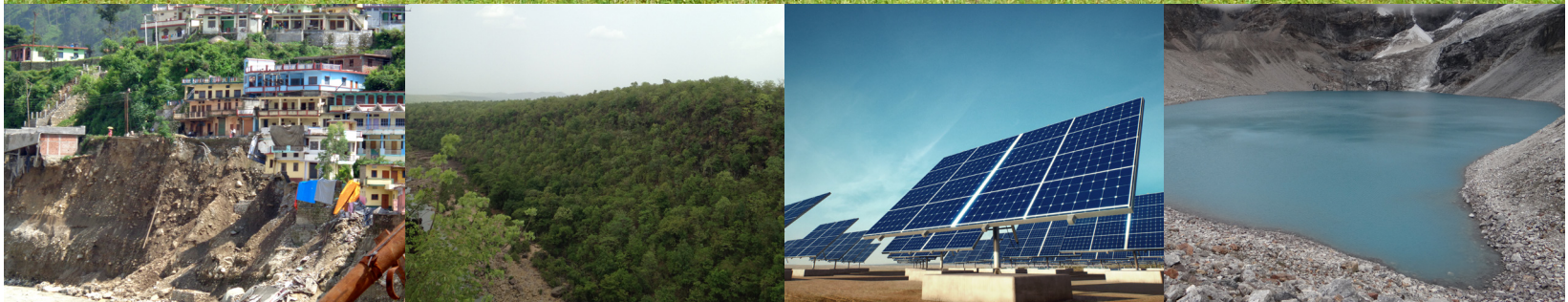


STRENGTHENING STATE STRATEGIES FOR CLIMATE ACTIONS



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PROJECT AT A GLANCE

Duration	January 2016 – June 2019
Project Implemented by	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
Focal Ministry	Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MoEFCC)
State Focal Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental Planning and Coordination Organization; Government of Madhya Pradesh• Department of Science & Technology and Climate Change, Government of Sikkim• Forest Department, Government of Uttarakhand
Funded by	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)

CONTEXT

States have prepared the State Action Plan on Climate Change (SAPCC) outlining existing and future strategies and actions to mitigate and adapt to climate change. At the state level, there is a need to operationalize implementation of these plans as well as integration of sectoral climate change considerations into most of the existing and future policies and programmes. While individual sectoral departments devise development plans, adequate understanding on how climate change leads to and has an impact on respective sectors is often limited or missing at the state and department level. Across the states, the application of scientific knowledge of climate change to strengthen sectoral programmes needs to be strengthened in terms of technical expertise, institutional capacities and prioritizing actions for effective implementation of the action plans.

Strengthening State Strategies for Climate Actions is a project being implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in partnership with the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC). Its overall goal is to integrate climate actions into sub-national planning, benefitting local communities in India. This is to be achieved by strengthening capacities of state nodal agencies on climate change, and focus sectoral departments to plan and undertake specific interventions in climate-sensitive sectors that affect large sections of vulnerable communities in these states.

These interventions include mobilization of appropriate expertise, capacity building of resource persons/institutions, support to strategy implementation, and knowledge sharing among states and across other countries embarking on sub-national planning for climate change. Relevant sector-specific international expertise is being made available to state governments as required.



PLANNED OUTPUTS

Strengthening State Strategies for Climate Actions has THREE specific Outcomes

ONE

Capabilities of state authorities to plan and implement SAPCCs are enhanced in the three states

TWO

SAPCCs are operationalized and communities benefit from climate actions in the three states

THREE

Experiences and approach of the project gained national and international visibility

- Strengthen State Nodal Institutions on Climate Change for implementation and monitoring of climate actions
- Strengthen scientific and institutional capacities of sectoral departments to integrate climate change in development planning
- Detail Vulnerability and Risk assessments in the focus sectors (water, disaster, forest, energy) across three states (Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim)
- Develop methodologies for shortlisting and prioritizing appropriate climate actions
- Prioritize and implement Strategies to address climate vulnerability in select sectors in Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Sikkim
- Identify and implement national/international best practices on climate adaptation
- Document Process and approaches adopted by the project and share across states
- Disseminate state experiences on implementing climate actions at national and international level

GEOGRAPHICAL AND SECTORAL FOCUS

STATE	ECOSYSTEM	KEY SECTORS
Madhya Pradesh	Semi-Arid	Water
Sikkim	Himalayan Ecosystem	Forest, Water and Disaster Management
Uttarakhand	Himalayan Ecosystem	Forest, Water, Energy and Disaster Management





United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) has supported the Government of India for the preparation of the State Action Plan on Climate Change in 9 States. UNDP facilitated the development of a Common Framework for the preparation of SAPCC and is providing technical support to state governments in preparation and implementation of their action plans.

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) through its Global Programme on Climate Change (GPCC), supports adaptation and mitigation actions that address the global challenge of climate change. It has traditionally been active in the semi arid and mountainous regions of India with the result that rich experiences from the ground and in policy engagement with the governments across levels have been harvested.

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