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To achieve the clearly target of Climate fund by the CFTM project

COAST Trust, funded by the (PROKASH) British Council has initiated to take a project named Climate finance transparency mechanism project. Primarily the project has been started to work at three districts of twelve upazillas. The ultimate goal of this project is to increase the efficacy of climate change funds both from government and donors in tackling the impacts of climate change in local level which is funded by the British Council. The specific objectives are to build the trust of the Upazilla & Zilla level government and other key stakeholders in the mechanism, centrally develop a web-based climate finance transparency mechanism, demonstrate and assist in building capacity for how the information could be used by civil society groups and others to hold the government accountable, build inclusive networks at 4 high climate vulnerable areas to inform and take input to CFTM, and maintain external pressure to ensure continued momentum.

The project is at present to engage the governments departments from the local level in this mechanism, and the stakeholders and to achieve their trust and to provide the climate finance information regularly to the website. In the coastal area 12 civil society representatives have been organized, they have been provided capacity build up training who will do policy advocacy and will help to achieve the sustainable development.

This project have already started its activities from the root level to the upazilla level and increased its force.

Climate finance and Campaign related civil Society Organization



Civil Society organization meeting is going on- Baufal ,Patuakhali

This project have already formed 12 civil society committees including seven members and already have started their activities. The leaders of this committees are doing their meetings and taking various action plan and reviewing the implementation of this action plan. The

leaders of CSO committees are representing the demands of the vulnerable area in the upazilla & zilla level by doing advocacy, finding the demands of the local citizen and trying to represent this demands through the local administration and local public representatives in the national budget. As a result



Civil Society organization meeting is going on- Tazumuddin ,Bhola

the sustainable development of the government will be achieved, the poverty of the coastal area will be reduced and at the end of the project the activities of this project will be continued. Around the month of April and May the committee formation is completed now they are doing meeting regularly, taking action plan and doing the work of achieving the goal and objectives of this project. Now The CSO leaders have increased their capacity by the various initiative of project so they created good relation with the various govt. and non-govt. stakeholders and meeting will play important role to collect information about climate finance activities.

There created a good relation with the Upazilla nirbahi officer and the Upazilla chairman who gave the words of cooperating the projects

Project inception meeting have been done at the Upazilla level



Upazilla inception meeting is going on- Kutubdia, Cox'sbazar

In Bhola, Cox's bazar & Patuakhali district the inception meeting of 12 Upazillas have been completed. At that

meeting there were present the Upazilla chairman, Upazilla Nirbahi Officer, Upazilla vice- chairman, government officers of various departments, journalists, civil society, political person, civil society committee members and many others.

The leaders of civil society organizations think that such kinds of project inception meeting gives the idea about the project, goals, objectives & activities of the project. On the other hand as a result of this meeting there creates a good relations between the CSO leaders and the various levels stakeholders which will help the project to collect the information from the government departments.

In the inception meeting the speakers gave the importance



Upazilla Inception meeting is going on- Patuakhali Sador

of this meeting when they gave their speech. They think that without sustainable development facing climate change is not possible for this reason social awareness is needed.

At 14.06.2017 the project inception meeting was held at Patuakhali Sador and their present the Upazilla chairman, Upazilla Nirbahi Officer, Upazilla vice-chairman, other govt. officers and various level stakeholders. The Upazilla Nirbahi Officer Bakahid Hussain said that COAST is working at this district firstly but I think their work is for the poor people and they are helping the government to face the impacts of climate change. He again said that this project is also helping the government for doing policy advocacy. Finally he said the from the upazilla administration all kinds of help will be provided to the project.

Project inception meeting in the District level

At the month of August, 2017 district inception meeting was held in Bhola & Cox's bazar. At the meeting the participants were the DC, ADC, govt. officers of various departments, journalists, Civil Society, Political person, CSO leaders. At the meeting the participants gave their speech, asked various questions and also gave their opinion about climate finance mechanism.

Bhola: At 10th August 2017 the inception meeting was held



District level Inception meeting is going on- Bhola

at Bhola in the conference room of District Commissioner. At the discussion of the meeting the participants gave various opinions about climate finance. The district correspondence of Daily Prothom Alo Mr. Niamotullah said that this project is not only necessary for the Pouroshova but also necessary for the Upazilla and the Union level and then sustainable development will be ensured. He again said that in the rainy season the agricultural lands are floated for this reason necessary steps should be taken to solve this problem.

The correspondence of Daily Ittafaq Mr. Ahad Chowdhury Thuin said that all climate related are implemented at the Pouroshova. He said that more development work is needed at the Islands where the poor people live in with their family. When the water lodging is created then their houses are floated, they cannot prepare food, cannot go anywhere and live very miserable life. He says that man and animals bath in the same pond. For this reason more cyclone shelter is needed there from the climate fund. In the speech of chief guest Mr. Md. Slimuddin, District Commissioner of Bhola said that this budget should be implemented at the coastal and risky area where the poor people live. He thinks that various project should be taken. Such as – life skill training, temporary medical camp for the poor, shelter, planting plum tree etc. He said if anybody says that where the climate fund is needed then I will say all fund should be implanted at the Islands.

Coxsazar: At 9th August the district inception meeting was held at the conference room of district commissioner of Cox's bazar at 11 o'clock. At that meeting the participants were the various government departments of District and the Upazilla, local public representatives, representatives of local newspapers & the CSO leaders. At the meeting the president were the ADC general of Cox's bazar Mr. Md. Anowarul Naser. The special guest were the Deputy Director, Agriculture department of Cox's bazar Mr. A.K.M.



District level Inception meeting is going on- Cox's bazar

Shaharir. The other participants were the Upazilla vice chairman Mr. Md. Sahidul Alam Bahadur, Mohila vice chairman Mrs. Helenaj Tahera. Mr. A.K.M. Shaharir said that as a result of climate change the mostly affected sector is the Agriculture. So at the time of drought and winter season the crops harvesting is faced problem. The chief guest of the meeting Mr. Anowarul Naser said that now we are seeing the impacts of climate change. We can see that the Dholgata union of Moheshkali is floated in

two times in the month. So, the governments feel that now we have to work jointly both from govt. & non-govt to solve this problem. And for this reason the information is should be distributed between the Govt. and the Non – govt. organization of our country.

To increase the efficacy of climate finance the social audit by civil society leaders

For the development of the country to ensure the good governance their needed the observation of the development project by the civil society and their



Taking opinion from the beneficiaries by social audit-Doshmina Upz.

participation is also needed there. To ensure the government resource properly, to reduce the corruption, to remove poverty and lastly for developing the life standards of the root level people the importance of social audit is very much needed. COAST, CFTM Project is doing social audit of various development project at the 12 upazillas of three districts under its project coverage area through the various adaptation and mitigation project.



Social audit is going on by the CSO leaders- Doshmina, Patuakhali

For this activities the 5-6 numbers of members are chosen from the CSO leaders and from the general people. They are doing the social audit at the various development project at the various development project. This committee is visiting the various schemes by checking the various documentations and various interviews of the



Social audit is going on by the CSO leaders-Charfassion, Bhola

beneficiaries. The main objectives of the social audit is to

find out various problems from the field level and arrange lobby meeting with the governments to solve this problem. For this reason the sustainable development will be ensured and aim of climate finance will be achieved. Through this social accountability there is creating a relation between the demand side and the supply side on the other hand their participation is ensured in this mechanism.

Capacity build up training of the CSO



The participants are giving their opinion at the training-BMTC, Bhola

By the leadership of the climate finance campaign related civil society the 2nd batch of the capacity build up training was held at Bhola Management Training Center, Bhola at 25th and 26th August and in Cox's bazar the training was held at 28th and 29th August at Cox's bazar Management Training Centre. The participants were 26 person from Bhola and Patuakhali and from Cox's bazar the participants were 16 person. In the training the participants knew about key advocacy tools, power mapping analysis, social accountability, social audit, weather and climate, climate change & climate finance implementation process. Their concept have become clear and they think that so. The CSO secretary Rasheda Begum said that their concept



The training session is facilitating by Abul Basar, PROKASH, Cox's bazar

about climate change have become clear now, we also have known that how the climate fund comes in our country. The CSO leader of Bhola Md. Rubel said that by this training we have known about the climate change clearly now we can give any answer of the question about this. CSO leader of Cox's bazar Mr. Saiful Islam said that we have known that without transparency in this mechanism sustainable development is not possible. The CFTM project have taken to give such kinds of issue based training to the CSO leaders and by this training their capacity will be

increased and they will be able to achieve the goals and objectives of this project.

The coastal people don't want relief but want embankment"



The CSO leaders is demanding for parmentent embanckment,Cox's

In this demand the human chain was held at Bhola & Coxsbazar in this banner At 19.06.2017 the human chain was held at Bhola & Coxsbazar by the initiatives of CSO leaders in seven demands. At 11 o'clock in the front of press-club the human chain was held and in Cox's Bazar the human chain was held in front of the Cox's bazar sadar Pouroshova. They presented their seven demands for making the embankment in the coastal area. This demands were presented to create the embankment in the coastal



After human chain press brfing is going on at Bhola press club area and to allocate adequate budget in making the embankment in the coastal area. After the human chain the CSO leaders arranged a press conference in the press club and presented their seven demands by the presence of all.

Discussion & learning sharing meeting with civil society (Teachers)



A teacher is giving her opinion and experience at the meeting- Doshmina, Patuakhali.

At 23.08.2017 the learning sharing meeting was held with the teachers at Banglabazar secondary high school in Dosmina upazilla, Patuakhali with taking the teachers of

three unions at three o'clock. The CSO leaders arranged this meeting to provide clear conception about the climate fund management and taking their knowledge from them about this. The present teachers presented their experience and opinion and also their initiative about this mechanism. The headmaster of Banglabazar secondary school said that we have to present at the time of pre-budget of Upazilla & Union level and have to raise opinion for taking the development schemes for the vulnerable area. The CSO president Pavel Mahomud Raihan said that the teachers can spread the knowledge in our society so they can come at first in this mechanism. So, they can teach about climate change to the various classes in the society. And then the various classes of people can know about this climate change and then they can contribute to face the challenges of climate change.



The UNO is giving his speech at the learning sharing meeting- Charfassion,Bhola

Bhola: At 23.08.2017 the learning sharing meeting was held at the conference room of Upazilla secondary education officer, Charfassion , Bhola. The chief guest of the meeting was the Md. Mostofa Monowar, UNO of Charfassion Upazilla and the president of the meeting was the Upazilla Secondary Education Officer Md. Ziaul Haque. The meeting was moderated by the district team leader Mrs. Rasheda Begum. The chief in his speech said that teachers are the important person in the society so they can teach the general people and also the students in their class. Thus teachers can contribute in the society to face the impacts of climate change.

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