

INTRODUCTORY MEETING OF THE NATIONAL PLATFORM ON LOCALLY-LED ADAPTATION (NPLLA)

MESSAGES FOR COP 27



ICCCAD'S LOCALLY LED ADAPTATION (LLA) PROGRAMME

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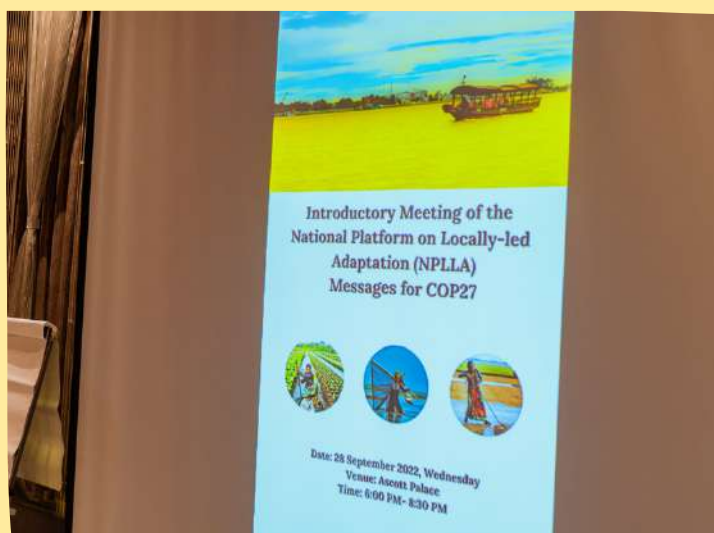
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SUMMARY

Local communities withstanding the impacts of climate change, are the most active and innovative in creating adaptation solutions. However, their access to resources, technology, and funding is limited, which the concerned authorities need to consider. This vast potential and the creativity of the people and local communities may be unlocked, supported, and carried through locally-led adaptation (LLA), nourishing their ideas and implementing them as solutions.

The International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD) is one of the first endorsers of the eight principles of Locally-led Adaptation (LLA) and has been promoting it at national and global levels for some time. In May 2022, ICCCAD arranged a two-day consultation program aiming to collate information on LLA and liaise with potential stakeholders (government entities, INGOs, NGOs, CSOs, grass root organizations, activists, and individuals). Besides, the participatory discussion also helped together ideas and suggestions on how to promote LLA in practice and at a policy level.

The round table led to the establishment of the National Platform on LLA (NPLLA) to take forward the LLA agenda at the local, and national level.



ROUNDTABLE MEETING OBJECTIVE

ICCCAD hosted the introductory meeting of the National Platform on LLA (NPLLA) in the form of a round-table dialogue to carry the key messages from the discussion to the Conference of Parties (COP 27), which will be held in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt in November 2022.

The round-table dialogue aims to:

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Highlight the enablers of LLA associated with the principles

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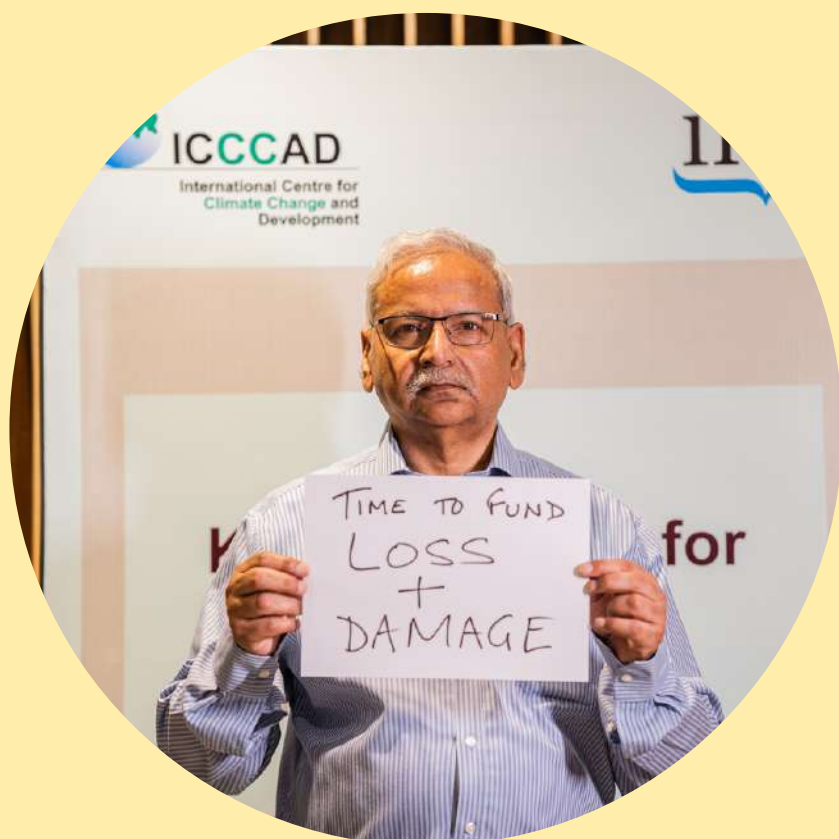
Outline the challenges of implementing LLA

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Carry the key messages to COP 27

OPEN DISCUSSIONS

Prof. Saleemul Huq, the Director of International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD) provided a welcome speech at the beginning of the event and informed the guests about the roundtable discussion, asking their active participation during the discussion. He also highlighted the key challenges, opportunities and way forward for COP27 to harness and implement the eight principles of LLA in Bangladesh's context.





Subsequently, Prof. Mizan R Khan, the Deputy Director of ICCCAD and the Programme Director of the Least Developed Countries University Consortium on Climate Change, briefly discussed the LUGCC programme and LLA framework, emphasizing capacity building and asked for a policy brief about the frameworks before COP27.

Later, Md. Golam Rabbani, Head of Secretariat (CBF) shared his experience about LLA principles, ongoing projects in Khulna and Rajshahi and the importance of consulting with the locals in terms of urban planning as well as national planning.



 **KEY MESSAGES FROM THE DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

Ms Mahfuza Mala, she is a Feminist & Human Rights Activist, talked about her idea on the implementation of the eight principles of LLA by acknowledging the local leadership and finance for local actors, adding on how to contribute more for capacity building and her field of interest in women empowerment

Ms Samiya Selim, from the Sajida foundation, shared her thoughts on designing the eight LLA principles. Amongst the eight principles, she focused on three, which included increasing the capacity of local communities, ensuring gender equality and understanding the mental health and well-being through LLA.



Partha Hefaz Shaikh from Water Aid talked about the importance of water and sanitation in terms of a changing climate. He also highlighted on aligning the eight principles of LLA while implementing and developing infrastructures that relate to water and hygiene.



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Ms Sharin Rahman, from GCA, recommended that adaptation action should be undertaken by linking communities and local actors. She also added to learn from the history and approach in a “learning by doing” manner.



Ms Jasmin Blankennagel, from UNDP, advised to learn from the local communities and be familiar with the adaptation strategies to successfully implement the LLA. She also talked about the third principle of LLA, emphasizing on the requirements of funding to be accessible and reached at the local levels.

Dr Haseeb Irfanullah, Independent consultant, NbS, shared his opinions on LLA, sighting different examples. He suggested assembling data to show that LLA is effective and stakeholders cannot be persuaded without proof. Additionally, he included to follow a potent action plan that can be useful for LLA, just like the criteria of NbS.





Mr Shafayet, from Footsteps, talked about the implementation of different adaption solutions that his organization has been promoting. He also spoke about the organization's role in assisting rural women to become trained to cope with societal difficulties and expand their network.

Mr Mustafa Bakuluzzaman, Chief Executive of Shushilan, shared his ideas on developing plans to reduce the vulnerability of agricultural leaders and farmers through LLA. He also emphasized on receiving funds that could benefit the local communities more effectively.

Mr Sohanur Rahman from Youth Net talked about the Youth declaration and activities in Barishal, Shyamnagar Embankment/Restoration, the race to resilience, and promoting the local-level frontliners.

Mr Ishtiaq Rout, from BRAC (C3R), talked about the funding for the framework, capacity building and policy advocacy by collecting the success stories of LLA. He also added to find the gaps in the LLA implementation process to understand the drawbacks and learn from the limitations.

Mr Saqib Huq, Program Coordinator, ICCCAD, shared his insight on how investing in partnership could help LLA implementation.

Ms Farah Anjum, from GCG, took part in the discussion and highlighted to consider the holistic growth on climate change and the importance of amplifying voices from the ground to promote LLA nationally and internationally.



Mr Shahnawaz Whara, from Practical Action, talked about collecting success stories from the local level through the platform and sharing it before the global platforms to promote our contribution as a nation.

Mr Shoyeb Mahmood from the Youth Policy Forum (YPF) talked about the procedures leading up to the design of an LLA project, concentrating particularly on the research gaps and suggesting that localities and governments need to be connected for active learning to put eight principles into practice.



Nusrat Naushin, Research Officer and Coordinator of the Loss and Damage Program, ICCCAD, talked and scopes on how LLA portrays a positive view of loss and damage to curate tales from bottom to top.

Noor-E-Elahi, Programme Assistant at ICCCAD, spoke about investing in executing the LLA principle, focusing on women's empowerment and local institution capacity building.





Name	Organization	Key Message
Savio Rozario	ICCCAD	(ICCCAD) sighted examples from the recent field studies that he led and highlighted how LLA could bring in a massive change in the overall development and understanding the climate change risk at local level.
Fatema Akhter	ICCCAD	Maladaptation Prioritize Local people voice
Afsara Binte Mirza	ICCCAD	Knowledge based platform NPLLA Bangladesh
Zareen Zeba Khan	Red Orange	90% of projects fail because of poor communication Language barrier
Samiul Islam	Red orange	Strategy creation Knowledge management How the organization might input to LLA
Sohail Bin Saifullah	ICCCAD	Capacity building and leadership for youth to proactively engage themselves in development areas.
Khademur Rashid	Islamic Relief	Community capacity building Ensure livelihoods
Sumaiya Binte Selim	ICCCAD	Spoke on networking, putting an emphasis on gender and delicate LLA issues, and steps that may be made for future LLA interventions.



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Shamim Ahmed	Eco network	Involvement of the young people Southern people need to know about adaptation
Nazneen Khan	ICCCAD	Sexual and Reproduction Health and Rights (SHRH) issues
Simon Rahman	Save The children	Integrate climate-based program
Tasfia Tasnim	ICCCAD	The fact about LLA resolving conflicts and for the implementation, consent from the community is needed
Adiba Binte Kamal	ICCCAD	The funding on LLA:2 nd grant at ICCCAD and proposed to build a strong network with the south Asian countries
Saify Iqbal	ICCCAD	Short course of LLA Execute training to escalate LLA
Mahmuda Mity	Sajlda Foundation	Initiatives should be taken for future Interventions about LLA
Ms Asma Shahin	MoEF	Planning Formulation and Monitoring

The National Platform of Locally Led Adaptation is a space to document and share experiences, including both success stories and challenges and to connect people who are working in the organizations within governments and outside governments and donors, academics, researchers, young people, youth and whoever is working in this arena and wants to connect with everyone else. ICCCAD has a prior example, about the platform created years ago called Gobeshona, a research program for the research community to bring the researchers together. Gobeshona had only institutional partners, universities, and 50 research institutions but did not have individual members. In this LLA Platform, Individual members who will have the opportunities to be network members and learn are also allowed. The platform will be interactive, enabling individuals to ask questions and receive some information in return. It will be designed to be the most interactive online platform and then will be convened in person mainly for researchers to present their research work or quarterly to bring everyone together.



RECOMMENDATION

Dr Huq polished off by challenging the distinguished guests to nominate a member of the local community, including women, young people, transgender people, and businessmen, and inviting them to the Gobeshona conference to reconvene the meeting on March 20, 2023, in order to advance the leadership role as social capital.



Participants List

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5.	Shahrin Mannan	GCA
6.	Ms Asma Shahin	MoEF
7.	Khademul Rashed	Islamic Relief
8.	Samiul Islam	Red Orange
9.	Saify Iqbal	ICCCAD
10.	Mahmuda Akhter	Sajida Foundation
11.	Shoaib Mahmudul Hoque	YPF
12.	Mehedi Hasan	ICCCAD
13.	Sumaya Binte Selim	ICCCAD
14.	Chowdhury Abrar Zahin	ICCCAD
15.	Md Fahad Rabid	Footsteps
16.	Mustafa Bakuluzzaman	Sushilon
17.	Afsara Binte Mirza	ICCCAD
18.	Shah Rafayat Chowdhury	Footsteps
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24.	Shohail Bin Saifullah	ICCCAD
25.	Adiba Binte Kamal	ICCCAD
26.	Tasfia Tasnim	ICCCAD
27.	Nusrat Naushin	ICCCAD
28.	Partha Hafez Shaikh	Water Aid
29.	Simon Rahman	Save The Children
30.	Shahnawaz Whara	Practical Action
31.	Istiaq Ibne Rout	C3ER, BRAC
32.	Farah Anzum	GSCC
33.	Dr Nazneen Khan	ICCCAD
34.	Sadia Jahan Rothi	Eco-Network
35.	Shamim Ahmed Mridha	Eco-Network
36.	Samiya Selim	Sajida Foundation
37.	Sohanur Rahman	Youth Net for Climate Justice
38.	Mahfuza Mala	Feminist & Human Rights Activist
39.	Zarin Zeba Khan	Red Orange
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