CLIMATE CHANGE



IN A NUTSHELL

Asia-Pacific is extremely vulnerable to climate change: it's the world's most disaster-prone region, accounting for about half of the world's disasters.

Inequalities exacerbate climate change impacts, such as loss of livelihoods and conflicts, disproportionally affecting women, rural communities, indigenous people and other vulnerable groups. Climate change can in turn deepen inequalities or create new ones.

WHAT SHOULD BE DONE?



Understand how inequalities and climate change are connected

More contextualized research, better data and meaningful social dialogues will enable more effective climate action and accelerate progress across development areas.



Integrate climate action into strategies that address inequalities

Climate action has more impact when centered on strategies that enhance empowerment and inclusion.



Invest in reliable, clean energy to accelerate sustainable development...

...particularly for women and girls. Clean energy eliminates the indoor air pollution that causes 4.3 million deaths annually, reduces domestic unpaid labor for girls and women, and is an engine for businesses and economic development, particularly for SMEs.



