

Support for the Climate and Development Partnership (CDP)

Background

The German government has offered Bangladesh a *Climate and Development Partnership*, a newly established partnership model of the German government already concluded with eight developing countries. Aim of this partnership is to advance together with the developing country partner in the combat against climate change. These partnerships are being offered to selected partner countries and entail a long-lasting, predictable, reliable deepened cooperation in the areas of climate change and development.

The German government offered this partnership to Bangladesh because it is one of the countries most affected by climate change yet contributing minimally to historical greenhouse gas emissions. In addition, Bangladesh is recognized for its forward-thinking climate policies and initiatives. Due to the adverse impacts of climate change in Bangladesh, adaptation to climate change is a core element of this partnership. Here, the German Development Cooperation supports especially the sustainable urban development in secondary cities to channel the huge climate-induced migration within the country away from the capital, Dhaka. Additionally, it will emphasis on renewable energy and energy efficiency for climate change mitigation, and biodiversity. Addressing Loss and Damage and climate finance will also be important subjects.

With the decision on the establishment of the Climate and Development Partnership both governments joined forces in advancing the implementation of the Paris Agreement and thus supporting Bangladesh in combating the adverse effects of climate change. This new partnership aims at:

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Partner ministry	Ministry of Finance (MoF)
Implementing Partner	Economic Relations Division (ERD)
SDG contribution	7 – Affordable and Clean Energy; 11 – Sustainable Cities and Communities; 13 – Climate Action; 14 – Life below Water; 15 – Life on Land; 17- Partnerships for the Goals
Duration	07/2023 –03/2024

- Establishing a political dialogue on climate change
- Enhancing the development cooperation on climate change adaptation with focus on sustainable urban development, just energy transition, and biodiversity
- Establishing exchange formats with relevant stakeholders – government, academia, scientific institutions, civil society organisations, private sector – of Bangladesh and Germany.
- Developing at least two project proposals for development cooperation measures emerging from the CDP network

Objectives

To ensure the technical and organizational support of the CDP coordination office for the initiation of the CDP between Bangladesh and Germany.





Indicators of CDP Preparation project

INDICATOR 1

Based on a stakeholder analysis, a CDP network (including relevant BGD institutions, private and financial sector, science, civil society) has been established, which regularly exchanges information on agreed topics in coordinated formats.

INDICATOR 2

The objectives of the CDP are communicated to the public by the members of the CDP network during 2 national events (working title "National Climate & Development Forum").

INDICATOR 3

At least 2 project proposals for development cooperation measures emerge from the CDP network (at least one in the Renewable Energy sector and one in the Climate-Adapted Urban Development sector) that contribute to the implementation of the CDP.

Achievements and further planning of the CDP Preparation Project



The following activities have already been achieved:

- Stakeholder mapping by the German Development Cooperation (GDC)
- Initiating the cooperation with the implementing partner, the Economic Relations Division (ERD) of the Ministry of Finance (MoF)
- 1st Inter-ministerial meeting for CDP preparation with key line ministries



The following activities are planned for the current project phase:

- Establishment of CDP network groups on selected subjects.
- Signing of the Joint Declaration of Intent (DoI)
- Organising the first high-level policy dialogue.



The following activities are planned for a new project phase:

- Formation of Climate and Development Forum in September 2024
- Common visit and proceeding of side events in international events like the COPs of the Biodiversity and Climate Convention
- Preparation of relevant and suitable project proposals.

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