

CLIMATE FINANCE TRANSPARENCY MECHANISM (CFTM)

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Climate Finance has become a central point in global negotiations. Tracking of climate finance is complex due to overlapping sources, disseminating channels and governance process. In Bangladesh, data on climate finance flow is available but transparency and accountability is still an issue.

Climate finance is used to refer to the flow of funds towards mitigation, i.e. activities aimed at reducing GHG emissions; or adaptation, i.e. helping societies to develop resilience in adapting to negative effects of climate change.

Climate Change Investment/Climate Finance Flow in Bangladesh

Climate Change Dedicated Funds

Bangladesh currently has access to four climate change dedicated international funds, which include LDCF (Least Developed Countries Fund) **GEF** Trust Fund (Climate Change Focal Area) **PPCR** (Pilot Programme of Climate Resilience) and GCF (Green Climate Fund). The country also established two climate change dedicated funds including Bangladesh Climate Change Trust Fund (BCCTF) and **Bangladesh Climate Change Resilience Fund** (BCCRF).

Donor Supported Funds through Government Organisations

In Bangladesh, both Climate Finance and Overseas Development Assistance (ODA) are channeled through government organizations; such as, Economic Relations Division (ERD) under the Ministry of Finance of the Government of Bangladesh (GoB) and NGO Affairs Bureau (NGOAB). Apart from the funds flowing in from Climate Change Dedicated Funds (LDCF, GEF, PPCR & GCF), it is unclear whether the funds received for climate change related projects and programmes are Climate Finance or ODA.

NGOAB and ERD are not funding sources. NGOAB is responsible for approving and monitoring the activities and finances of NGOs in Bangladesh. While, ERD is designated for coordinating and mobilizing all external assistance inflows into the country and has developed AIMS database which stores data on all foreign assistance, including funds for climate change, which the country receives.

*This study only includes AIMS/ERD & NGOAB data

Domestic Investment on Climate Sensitive Activity

Fact Sheet

on Funding

Projects

Climate Change

in Bangladesh

According to the CPEIR (2012) of the Ministry of Finance, GoB, 1.1% of the GDP was invested on climate sensitive activities. On the other hand, the **Climate Protection and Development Budget** Report (2017) of the Ministry of Finance states that on an average, 0.7% of the GDP was found to be invested in climate sensitive activities in the last four years.

Table 1: Total climate change investment from specific domestic and international sources in the last six fiscal years in Bangladesh (from available sources)

| Category | Climate Change Funds/Fund Approval Organizations | Project Approval Period | No of Approved Project | Total Cost (Million USD) Project |
|----------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|
| А | Climate Change Dedicated Funds | | | |
| 1 | Least Developed Countries Fund (LDCF) | 2010 - 2016 | 5 | 168.46 |
| 2 | GEF Trust Fund (Climate Change Focal Area) | 2010 - 2016 | 5 | 310.48 |
| 3 | Green Climate Fund (GCF) | 2016-2017 | 1 | 80.00 |
| 4 | Pilot Programme on Climate Resilience (PPCR) | 2011 - 2015 | 6 | 109.75 |
| 5 | Bangladesh Climate Change Resilience Fund (BCCRF) | 2010-2016 | 10 | 146.90 |
| 6 | Bangladesh Climate Change Trust Fund (BCCTF) | 2011- 2016 | 346 | 275.91 |
| В | Government Organizations approving donor funded projects and | | | |
| | programmes related to climate change in Bangladesh | | | |
| 7 | Economic Relations Division (ERD) | 2010-2016 | 51 | 4357.08 |
| 8 | NGO Affairs Bureau | 2016-2017 | 38 | 12.64 |

Source: GEF, LDCF, GCF, AIMS/ERD, NGOAB (accessed to official website of all these organizations during June/July 2017)

If the entire six years (Fiscal Years 2010/11 to 2015/16) is considered, the total domestic funds from development and climate sensitive activities remains from about US\$ 7 billion to US\$ 11 billion.

Table 2: Total domestic investment from development and non-development budget onclimate sensitive activity in last six years in Bangladesh

| FY | Total GDP at Current Market Price (Crore BDT) | Total GDP at Current Market Price (Billion USD) | 1.1 % of GDP (Billion USD) (According to CPEIR, 2012) | 0.7 % of GDP (Billion USD) (According to Climate Protection and Development, 2017) |
|----------|---|---|--|--|
| 2010-11 | 915829 | 117.41 | 1.29 | 0.82 |
| 2011-12 | 1055204 | 135.28 | 1.49 | 0.95 |
| 2012-13 | 1198923 | 153.71 | 1.69 | 1.08 |
| 2013-14 | 1343674 | 172.27 | 1.89 | 1.21 |
| 2014-15 | 1515802 | 194.33 | 2.14 | 1.36 |
| 2015-16 | 1732864 | 222.16 | 2.44 | 1.56 |
| 2010/11- | | | 10.95 | 6.97 |
| 2015/16 | | | | |

Source: Bangladesh Economic Review, 2016; CPEIR, 2012; Climate Protection and Development, 2017

Fund Focus

As mentioned above, data on funds received through BCCTF, BCCRF, GEF, PPCR, GCF and LDCF are distinctively climate finance. While the data on funds received through NGOAB and AIMS/ERD are on climate change related projects. This means, it is unclear whether these are climate finance or Overseas Development Assistant (ODA). The funds that are received for climate change related projects are implemented as adaptation project, mitigation project or 'adaptation & mitigation' (AdMit) project.

Key Facts

Table 3: The table shows climate change related investments for adaptation, mitigation andAdMit from different funding windows (in million USD)

| | Fund Type | Adaptation | Mitigation | AdMit | Total |
|---|------------|------------|------------|----------|-----------|
| | Grant | \$887.33 | \$85.00 | \$65.33 | \$1028.66 |
| I | Loan | \$1977.54 | \$1190.55 | \$56.30 | \$3224.39 |
| | Co-finance | \$826.66 | \$49.60 | \$47 | \$923.26 |
| I | BCCTF | \$213.61 | \$26.66 | \$35.64 | \$275.91 |
| | Sub-Total | \$3896.14 | \$1351.81 | \$204.27 | \$5452.22 |

Box 1. An overview of the funding windows (in million USD)

| NGOAB | \$ 12.64 million Grant: 38 projects Data from July 2016 - Feb 2017 | |
|--|--|--|
| ERD/AIMS | \$ 4357.06 million Grant: 51 projects; Loan: 19 projects; Co-finance: 4 projects Data from July 2010 - June 2016 | |
| BCCTF | \$ 275.91 million Grant: 346 projects Data from July 2011 - June 2016 | |
| BCCRF | • \$ 146.90 million • Grant: 10 projects • Data from Jan 2010 - May 2017 | |
| GEF | \$ 310.48 million Grant: 5 projects; Co-finance: 3 projects Data from 2010 - 2017 | |
| PPCR | \$ 109.75 million Grant: 6 projects; Loan: 3 projects Data from 2011 - 2015 | |
| GCF | \$ 80 million Grant: 1 project; Co-finance: 1 project Data from 2015 - 2017 | |
| LDCF | \$159.46 million Grant: 5 projects; Co-Finance: 5 projects Data from 2012 - 2014 | |
| NGOAB - NGO Affairs Bureau ERD - Economic Relations Division BCCTF - Bangladesh Climate Change Trust Fund BCCRF - Bangladesh Climate Change Resilience Fund GEF - Global Environment Facility PPCR - Pilot Programme of Climate Resilience GCF - Green Climate Fund LDCF - Least Developed Countries Fund Prepared by Dr. Atiq Rahman Golam Rabbani Dr. Samia Saif | | |
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