



**LOCALISING CLIMATE ACTION
THROUGH INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS
AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**



As of November 2023, around 140 countries had announced or are considering net zero targets, covering close to 90% of the global emissions. Further, many countries are in various stages of developing a strategy that would help them commit to net zero targets but are looking for technical support to help them understand the implications of net zero on their respective economies. On the sidelines, the global discourse on locally-led adaptation to climate change is catching up with the pace which needs to be further strengthened for local climate actions.

For a country to achieve its net zero goals, a multi-pronged and multi-level approach and actions would be required. In other words, having a mere national or a federal target would not suffice, but actions need to be taken at the sub-national levels too. Moreover, to ensure the effective implementation of any strategy towards net zero and adaptive actions, community involvement and localisation of climate action would be essential and would also ensure that any transition plans do not leave anyone behind in the transition journey.

Also, an integral pre-requisite for any transition plan is access to robust data and information cutting across all aspects of the economy, whether it be indicators of energy, economy, demography, livelihood, or climate amongst others.

A robust transition plan should not only cater to mitigating the impacts of climate change but also to make economies climate resilient and ensure the enhancement of the adaptive capacities of communities.

With India's announcement to become net zero by 2070, several sub-national governments have also announced plans to become net zero either by 2070 or well before then. In addition, a number of states have taken concrete actions to ensure localisation of climate action, notably the states of Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat to name a few. Furthermore, the Indian civil society and think tanks have also partnered with the Government of India to ensure access to data and information to help develop robust transition pathways both at the national level as well as at the state level.

Saturday, 2nd December, 2023
16.45 to 18.15 Hours
SE Room 2

Side Event-COP 28, Dubai



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In the backdrop of the above, this side event will aim to showcase Localising Climate Action through Innovative Solutions and Community Participation through an interactive session that will have a combination of brief presentations, short power talks and a panel discussion followed by an open house.

THE AGENDA

The tentative agenda is as follows -

Session Moderator/Host - Mr. Sanjay Vashist

Time	Medium	Speaker/s	Topic
1645 – 16.50		Mr. Sanjay Vashist Director, CANSA	Welcome Remarks
16.50 -16.55		Dr. Shiraz Wajih President, GEAG	Context Setting
16.55-17.05	Presentation	Team Vasudha	ICED with a subnational focus + subnational action case studies from UP, TN et al (Mitigation lens)
17.05 to 17.115	Presentation	Team GEAG	Localisation of Climate Action – adaptation lens
17.15 to 17.25	Presentation	Team EFICOR	Localisation of Climate Action – Disaster and Risk Mitigation Lens
17.25 to 17.30	Short Power Talk (Lightning Talk)	Mr. David Tsai SEEG Brazil	GHG inventory at sub-national level
17.30 to 17.35	Short Power Talk (Lightning Talk)	Mr. Mohamed Adow, Power Shift Africa	Localisation of Climate Action across Africa
17.35 to 17.40	Short Power Talk (Lightning Talk)	Mr. Carlos Magno de Medeiros Morais, Centro Sabia, Brazil	Simplified greywater reuse system and agroforestry to combat severe droughts and food insecurity
17.40 to 17.45	Short Power Talk	Mr. Dipayan Dey SAFE India	Introduction and scaling of hydroponic float-farming and aquaculture as an adaptive, integrated climate-resilient agricultural solution for vulnerable coastal communities of eastern India.

17.45 to 18.05 | Panel Discussion
GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE ON LOCAL CLIMATE ACTION

Moderator - Ms. Nivedita Mani/Vrinda Sarada/Rini Dutt

Panelists

Dr. Shehnaaz Moosa
Director, South South North

Ms. Clare Shakya
Director, Climate Change Group, International Institute of Environment and Development, UK

Ms. Manjula Singh
Executive Director, India, Children Investment Fund foundation

Ms. Jennifer Morgan
State Secretary, International Climate Policy, Government of Germany (TBC)

18.05 to 18.15 | Open House

18.15

Srinivas Krishnaswamy
CEO, Vasudha Foundation

Closing Remarks