

Climate Change Response Actions: Mitigation and Adaptation

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Mitigation Action in Forest Sector: REDD+ actions

- REDD+, has created a space for indigenous peoples in Kenya to speak to government about forest rights, natural resources rights and equitable benefit sharing;
- REDD+ dialogues and piloting has increased awareness in Kenya that people who live in tropical forests play a major role in conserving biodiversity;
- They are knowledge holders and rights holders who need to be part of the process in conserving biodiversity, carbon sequestration and sustaining their unique cultures, languages and knowledge systems.
- The country has established national guidelines for Free Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) in the context of REDD+

Reporting Mitigation actions: Nationally Determined Contribution

- Kenya submitted its first INDCs on 23 July 2015
- Kenya seeks to abate its GHG emissions by 30% by 2030
- Part of the listed mitigation activities include “Expansion in geothermal” – which historically threatened/violated IPs’ rights including displacement from ancestral lands
- Sectors covered by the contribution include Forestry and Other Land Use (AFOLU), thus will potentially impact on pastoralists
- The Country is open to international market-based mechanisms of accounting

Mitigation action in the Energy Sector (Clean Energy e.g. CDM & SDG)

- Geothermal power generation plants at Olkaria and experiences of local pastoral communities
- Lake Turkana Windpower Project and the Ngong Hills, and associated concerns on land rights and access to benefits
- Negative impacts of unsafeguarded Climate change response measures e.g



Adaptation Actions

- More than 70 percent of natural disasters in Kenya are related to extreme climate events
- Adaptation action targeted at Disaster Risk Adaptation
- Enhance access to appropriate technology to bring together and manage information and knowledge vital for policy development and implementation, and for the improvement of planning, preparedness and response.
- Enhance access to watercourses and forage for livestock within targeted Counties through establishment of water dams tapping on surface run-off and by establishing hay/pasture banks through the traditional elatia (neighborhood Concept)
- Pilot indexed livestock insurance and establishment of fodder banks, enhanced livestock migratory and market routes