





STATEMENT for Inclusive and Equitable Climate Action: Building a Sustainable Future for All

We recognize that climate action is essential for building a healthier, more sustainable future for all inhabitants of our planet. The involvement of women, minority communities, the disprivileged, disempowered, and vulnerable people is critical in achieving equity and sustainability in climate actions. Their participation is vital for fostering the behavioral and mindset changes necessary for enduring progress.

Climate action plays a significant role in mitigating various health risks. By promoting clean energy and transitioning to renewable sources, we can create resilient cities and healthier living environments.

In this era of increasing natural disasters, we must develop resilient infrastructure, including sustainable green and blue spaces, flood defenses, and safe environments capable of withstanding extreme weather events.

The visibility of women's roles in climate action needs to be increased, as they offer unique experiences and perspectives that can result in more thorough and creative solutions. This inclusion fosters a fairer and more equitable society. Additionally, women often focus on critical areas such as health, education, and social welfare, which are vital for sustainable development.

Climate change disproportionately affects marginalized communities, exacerbating health inequalities. Therefore, women's active engagement and leadership in sustainable food production, agriculture, water management, and clean and green energy projects are of utmost importance.

We call for equitable climate action that ensures vulnerable populations receive the necessary resources and support to cope with climate-related health challenges. Our long-term vision for the future includes developing sustainability in water management, resource use, food production, and urban green and blue spaces for all.

Marginalized groups, including minorities, women, the disempowered, elderly and children, play a key role in leading climate education and awareness, and in promoting mental health. Holistic climate solutions for health require legislative and regulatory action, along with thorough implementation and tight timelines.

Taking climate action across all sectors is essential for enhancing our environment, fostering urban health, and supporting mental health

There is no time to waste. Our future is now, and climate change is here. We need bold actions to mitigate the devastating risks it brings.

Just as we advocate for "health in all policies," we must also advocate for "climate action in all sectors" to ensure healthier future for all—planet, humans, nature, animals, and resources.

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