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STRENGTHENING ADAPTATION PLANNING AND COORDINATION IN NAMIBIA



WHY NAMIBIA NEEDS TO ADAPT TO A CHANGING CLIMATE

Namibia is among the most climate-vulnerable developing countries. Namibia's economy and livelihoods depend heavily on climate-sensitive sectors like agriculture, water, and ecosystems, making the country highly exposed to rising temperatures, prolonged droughts, and increasing climate variability. Without adaptation, these impacts will intensify pressures on food security, water availability, and economic stability, limiting the country's ability to sustain development and build resilience.

WHERE ADAPTATION IS NEEDED THE MOST



Water

Adaptation is needed to combat water stress caused by changing climate and to secure water for people, food systems, and the economy.



Agriculture

67% of Namibians dwell in rural areas and depend on rain-fed agriculture. Adaptation is needed to secure food production and rural livelihoods.



Health

Climate change is increasing health risks such as heat stress, flooding, and nutrition challenges. Health systems in Namibia need to be strengthened to respond to these risks.



Ecosystems

Biodiversity is under growing pressure from climate change. Investing in ecosystem protection will support tourism and long-term resilience.



Coastal zones

Coastal zones support Namibia's economy, including tourism and the growing green economy, but face increasing climate risks. Strengthening resilience will help sustain these sectors.



Urban settlements

Informal settlements are hardest hit by climate impacts, while infrastructure faces increasing pressure and damage. Climate-resilient planning is essential for resilient communities and cities.

KEY PROJECT INFORMATION

Oversight Body

Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT)

Funding Source

Green Climate Fund (GCF)

Implementing Partner

Namibia Nature Foundation (NNF)

Duration

36 months

WHAT WE INTEND TO ACHIEVE



Adaptation planning governance and institutional coordination strengthened



Evidence basis used to design adaptation solutions for maximum impact



Adaptation finance increased



Private sector engagement in adaptation catalysed

HOW NAMIBIA IS PLANNING FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE — STEP BY STEP

1



Consult with stakeholders and structure institutional coordination

2



Project and estimate climate change risks and costs

3



Identify private sector roles and incentives for adaptation

4



Develop the national adaptation strategy and action plan

5



Develop strategy for financing adaptation

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