

How does the climate crisis affect MAPA?

Task:

Below you will find 3 quotes from MAPA activists. Read through the quotes and note the consequences that the climate crisis has for MAPA activists and their countries.

Quote 1

In India, people continue to suffer because of laws that are anti people. We live in a country where dissent is suppressed. We in FFF India were labelled terrorists for objecting the draft EIA notification. Only a government that puts profit over people would consider asking for clean air, clean water and a liveable planet, an act of terrorism. We will continue this fight because stopping would mean no water to drink, no air to breathe and no land to live for the marginalised communities. The government needs to work with the people to protect the people. The time for prevention is over, we need recovery and a just transition.

(Disha A Ravi, India)

Quote 2

In Africa people and animals are dying every day, forests are cut down and land is stolen from the rightful owners the Indigenous people in the name of "investments". We are the ones experiencing the droughts, floods, and cyclones, yet we are the ones always underrepresented as we have people from the Global North telling our stories and making the decisions for us. I mean these Global North world leaders will never understand what it's like to walk hours to collect drinking water. We deserve a seat at the decision table.

(Collette Warona Levy-Brown, Zimbabwe/Botswana)

Quote 3

While the climate crisis affects everyone, some people are being impacted more than others, like women, Indigenous peoples, Black and Brown communities and communities in the Global South and yet they already experience other challenges, like inequalities and discrimination in society. These groups of people are good decision makers, experts and lead to successful, long term solutions because they have the knowledge and understanding of what is needed to adapt to changing environmental conditions and come up with practical solutions but again, they are still a largely untapped resource. To achieve climate justice, we must achieve gender equality, social justice, racial justice, environmental justice.

(Evelyn Acham, Uganda)

Consequences for people in most affected areas



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