

MAPA: Various crises



Task:

Below you will find 3 quotes from MAPA activists. Note which crises and/or injustices they address. Try to formulate in your own words what these crises/ injustices mean.

Quote 1

There is no climate justice, without addressing the issue of environmental racism, acknowledging how it impacts marginalized communities, especially BIPOC, climate justice does not exclude anyone and shouldn't. On the road to achieve climate justice, we need to see all the other socioeconomic issues that are tied to the climate crisis.

(Nomhle Senene, South Africa)

Quote 2

A better climate plays a big role in our existence as humans. The fight for climate justice has been very difficult because of political discrimination, tribalism, nepotism, economic, social and racial are all intersection and needs to be addressed. The climate crisis is a reality in Africa. I am living in a small country ranked 3rd most vulnerable to its effects. Our leaders are not doing what they promised to do. Landslides, coastal erosion, floods, failing crops, prolonged droughts, increasing heat and worse more will continue. We are in crisis, yet world leaders keep giving fake promises we are tired with their fake words, we are demanding for real deal and greater actions.

(Roseline Isata Mansaray, Sierra Leone.)

Quote 3

The Climate Crisis is a crisis of inequality since the communities that are the most affected, are not the most responsible ones for this emergency. When changes in climatic and environmental conditions hit communities, local populations are impacted, and the Climate Crisis ends up exacerbating all social and economic inequalities, such as gender violence, class inequality, racial discrimination, and forced migration. The Climate Crisis is a human rights issue, therefore, we will not have climate justice until this problem is addressed in an Intersectional way. And that is something that most governments still fail to see.

(Maria Reyes, México)

You can use the table to write down the terms that describe a crisis/injustice issue. Try to write a definition in your own words. If you are not sure what a term means, ask your classmates.

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