Climate (In)justice
Perspective on GLOBAL and NATIONAL context

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Understanding Climate Change: Cause, rise in carbon emission

- Pre-industrial: 278 ppm
- 50% increase: 417 ppm
Climate Change: it’s human induced, not an apolitical agenda

**SCENARIO:**
Steady rise in global average temperature

**REASONS?**
GHG Emissions

**RESPONSIBLE?**
Humankind, Rich Countries,

**CONCERN?**
The responsible countries should lead the process of addressing Climate Change.
Climate Change: an outcome UNJUST development history and paradigm

- Exploiting Global South
  - Colonialization
  - Industrialization
- Carbon Emission
- Global Warming
- Climate Change
- Market Expansion
  - Neo-liberal policy instruments
- Organized Crimes
  - MDBs
  - Corporatization
- Structural adjustment for market liberalization
- Destruction of Natural Resources,
  - (destruction of Bangladesh’s 4500 hectare Mangrove area by USD 26.5 million loan project of the World Bank and ADB in 1980s)
- Investment in Fossil Fuel Industries; Debt Burden
- Violating environmental and social safeguards

History of being developed was plundering both resources colonialization history of being developed and currently being G8
Cause and Impact Chain: Where injustice lies

- GHG Emission
- Global Warming
- Climate Change
- Frequent & Intense Disasters
- Loss of lives & livelihoods, damages of properties
- Forced displacement/migration
- Loss of basic amenities
- Violation of Human Rights
- WHO SUFFERS MOST?
  - already marginalized communities, who didn’t contribute to the cause at all.
Climate Injustice: A Chain Effect

Addressing Climate Change

GHG Emission Reduction

Adapting to the Climate Change Impacts supported by Finance & Technology

L&D in the IMPACT CHAIN:
BEYOND the scopes of ADAPTATION

DELAYED Actions and INSUFFICIENT Support

LOSS AND DAMAGE (L&D) CONTINUUM

Primary Risk/Impacts: Floods, Cyclone, River Bank Erosion, L&Ds of Assets, Livelihoods etc.

Secondary Risk Level: Extended & Residual Impacts; Unemployment, Drop-out from School, Child labor, Child marriage,

Tertiary Risk Level: Residual Impacts: Involuntary migration, Gender-based violence, Human Rights Violation, Poverty, Inequality

ECONOMIC L&D

NON-ECONOMIC L&D more about Injustice
Primary Impacts:
Loss of homestead; Loss of Crops and Livestock; Damages of Infrastructures; Loss of Agricultural land.

Secondary and Tertiary Impacts
Sifting to undignified Occupation (e.g. Rikshaw pulling, House-maid, Begging and other undignified jobs)
Drop-out from school, linked to increased Child Labor and Child Marriage
Phycological trauma
Loss of Social Identity
Damage of Religious and Social Infrastructure

Survey on 150 displaced Families
20 key informants interview
15 Case Stories

Source: (Field Survey, 2019)
75% respondents confirmed increase of drop-out from the primary and secondary level education

68% respondent confirmed increase of child labor, especially in the risk jobs in the Brick-kiln and house-hold works

11% respondent confirmed increase of Child Marriage (with confirmed cases)
Climate Injustice
Displacement and Forced Migration

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Women Children Disable Elderly
Informal sector, poor quality jobs (85%)
Example of Injustice
Child Marriage: a way of TRANSFERRING Risk

GIRL CHILD perceived as a family BURDEN and RISK

People, particularly in the disaster prone areas, consider Child Marriage as an option of Transferring RISK

….. “no man shows any interest in marrying a girl whose family has lost everything…..

...as said by a river eroded family
• NO real measures of limiting global average temperature rise 1.5 Degrees C.

• NO specific target for ending fossil-fuel. Instead, prompting use of LNGs in the name of clean fuel

• Developed countries failed mobilizing USD100 climate finance annually from 2020.

• Climate finances are mostly loan, causing undue debt burden on the climate vulnerable countries

• National governments are not scaling-up GHGs reduction targets aligning to 1.5 degrees goal; National interest DOMINATES global interest

• Adaptation actions are largely RISK focused, ignoring the HUMAN dimension of climate change impacts.

• There are huge concern on governance failure, corruption, political influence, and noncommittal political position of addressing climate change.

While it is relatively convenient questioning GLOBAL INJUSTICE
It’s rather inconvenient questioning Injustices caused by the National Governments...
It’s herd raising CSOs Voice to cease corruption in climate funds
Climate Injustice is a Manifest Injustice.

Such a ‘manifest injustice’ may not be battled in this ‘neoliberal economic theory’ dominated world where wealth-power dominates political will.

Yet we can mobilize peoples’ opinion for justice; may be not having a perfectly just world but for a fairer world.

Why shouldn’t we try to establish a just and fairer world with climate justice to the extent we can.