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We, the Alliance of seven networks active in Bangladesh on climate change, namely BAPA, BIPNet, CCBD, CCDF, CSRL, CFGN, EquityBD and NCCB, are expressing disappointment that world leadership, especially the developed-country leadership, has failed to uphold the commitment they made several times at multilateral forums in recent years.

We see the developed country leaders, who committed a Fast Start Financing for the period of 2010-2012, betrayed with vulnerable peoples and communities, here again in Doha have failed to pledge any significant amount of money for the period of 2012-2020. We observed an ad-hoc approach to raise money, without any specific commitment to gradual building up of a multi-lateral fund for ‘bridging period’ starting from 2013 and culminating into Green Climate Fund in 2020. We certainly need a commitment to continue as well as increase in available fund, preferably through public financing so that an additional, adequate & predictable financial regime may be established. Financial allocation must be balanced involving mitigation including technology transfer, early adaptation, addressing loss and damage, and capacity building. We urge upon global leadership to refrain from ad-hoc fund raising, rather pledge to an un-interrupted ‘additional’ financial regime through equitable participation of all Annex-1 Parties.

The COP 18 outcome must generate a sense of confidence that significant fund with ensured predictability start flowing to meet the commitment for GCF by 2020. We urge upon the global leaders to develop a formulae for periodic contributions on the basis of assessed ‘carbon-debt’ equivalent contributions from Annex-1 parties to achieve the above mentioned financial objectives.

We also see no significant progress in other areas of negotiations. World leaders have failed to show their willingness to respond to the urgency concerning emission reduction as dictated by science. Despite bringing ‘all the parties’ on board under the Durban Platform, there has not been any progress in Doha talks on both AWG KP and AWG LCA. We consider this a complete CBDR&RC principle of the UNFCCC and a betrayal to the vulnerable global population of today and many more to come in future. We demand decisions to be made here in Doha, based on equitable responsibility sharing and in line with declared political commitment instead of jugglery of words and plentiful fraudulent conducts.

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