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|  Draft Seminar Outline, 11th May 2017 | *Name mentioned here are TBC (to be confirmed only) unless it is mentioned confirmed in bracket* |
| Title of the seminar  | **UN Global Compacts and Climate Displacement : Bangladesh Civil Society Perspective** |
| Date, venue and time | 13th May 2017, CIRDAP Auditorium, 10.30 to 13.30 hours |
| Objectives | 1. To discuss the ongoing process of preparation and consultation toward the UN preparation on“Global Compact on Refugees and Global Compact on Orderly, Regularly and Safe migration” in view to integrate the climate displacement issue.
2. To understand the views from importantgovernment and UN stakeholders in this relation, and place the views from civil society stakeholders too.
3. To identify the best possible approach to influence the UN process on preparation of these two global compacts on climate displacement issues especially from civil society perspectives.
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| Background | IPCC (International Panel on Climate Change) and all other climate studies suggested that there will be climate displacement which is around 1 in 30 people globally by 2050, in view of IoM report and in Bangladesh it will be 1 in every 5. Bangladesh and other climate worse impacted country has already raised this issue in the floor of UNFCCC (United Nation Framework for Climate Change Conference)’s conference of parties (CoP).Government of Bangladesh is pioneer to place the issue in different international forum, especially during September 2016 in UN Conference on Large Scale Migration in New York. UN has decided to prepare two global compact in this regard by January 2018, one is namely “Global Compact on Orderly, Regular and Safe Migration” and another one on “Global Compact on Refugees”. UN bodies like IoM (International Office of Migration) and UNHCR (United Nation High Commissioner for Refugees) is taking preparation for international and regional consultation in this regard. It should be noted that they have already did substantial level of studies on climate displacement and made several policy discourse. Please be noted that UNHCR, NRC (Norwegian Refugee Council) and COAST has jointly organized a side event on the issue during UNHCR annual consultation to be held in Geneva on 16th June 2017.Two compacts are two distinct parallel but complementary processes and climate change issue should feature in both.Bangladeshi civil society activists tried best in to raise the issues especially in UNFCCC s CoPs since Bali CoP 2007. And also they were active in other multilateral process, especially was in Nansen Initiatives which is now transformed as Platform on Disaster Displacement (PDD, [www.disasterdisplacement.org](http://www.disasterdisplacement.org)) .PDD is a state lead process which is now Chaired by Germany and Bangladesh is the Vice Chair. Recently PDD Advisor Prof. Walter Kaelin, in recent time has been invited by UN Security Council to discuss the issue.A number of NGO / CSOs from around the world are the member of PDD Advisory committee. Action Aid Bangladesh and COAST also the members of this technical advisory committee. Now the civil society activists especially EquityBD / COAST do like to organize this public seminar to initiate the discourse to listen how the UN process is happening, how the government key stakeholders thinking on this and how civil society along with the leadership of our government can influence the process by content and by process. |
| Chair  | Dr. QaziKholiquzzaman Ahmad, Chairman, PKSF and the Lead Climate Change Negotiator from Government of Bangladesh. |
| Chief Guest  | Dr. Hasan Mahmud MP, Chairman, Parliamentary Standing Committee on Ministry of Forest and Environment and All Party Parliamentary Forum on Climate Change. |
| Special Guests from policy makers / parliamentarians | Dr. Rustam Ali Faraji MP (Member of Parliament) Mr. NahimRazzak MP |
| Special guest from Government, UN and Donor agencies  | Mr. Nurul Karim, Additional Secretary MoE&FMr Abdullah Al Mahsin, Additonal Secretary (Development) MoE&F.Mrs. Nahida Sobhan, Director General, Ministry of Foreign AffairsMr. AbdusattorEsoev, Deputy Chief of Mission, IoM (confirmed) Mr. Shinji Kubo, Country Representative, UNHCRMs. Catherine Cecil, Team Leader, Prokash / Brithish Council |
| Honorable Expert Guests, (all are confirmed)  | Dr. AtiqRahman, BCASDr. SaleemulHaque, ICCADDr. SharmindNeelormi, Jahangir Nagar UniversityMr. Shamsuddoha, PRDI |
| Honorable Guest from Civil Society Leaders | Mrs. SaheenAnam, ManusherJonno FoundationMrs. Farah Kabir, Action Aid BangladeshDr. Abrar Hossain, RAMRRUMr. Sayed Saiful Haque, WARBEEMr. NayeemGowharWara, BRAC |
| Key note presentation | Mr. Syed Aminul Haque, EquityBD/COAST |
| Moderator  | Mr. Rezaul Karim Chowdhury, Chief Moderator EquityBD / Executive Director COAST |
| Civil society leaders  | Mr. Qumrul Islam Chowdhury, FEJBDr. Abdul Matin, BAPAMr. ShasankaSadi, PRDIMs.MonishaBiswas, OxfamMr. Tanveer Mahmud, PRPKAS / Brithish CouncilMr. MrinalKanti Tripura, BIPNetCCBDMr. Kawser Ahmed, BCJF.Mr. MizanurRahmanBijoy NCCB,Mr.TanjirHossain, CANSAMr. Sayed Jahangir HossainMasum, CDPMr. HasanMehedi, CLEAN |
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| Tentative methodology  | **Concept note** on the seminar will be send out to all the guest and probable participants at least 7 days before and the **key note presentation** will be to all at least one day before. **In first round** after the key note presentations, civil society leaders will min. 3 minutes, and all the guests 3 to 5 minutes. Then there will be deliberations fromspecial guests, expert guests, honorable guests and distinguist guest for 3 to 5 minutes. **In the second round** all the civil society leaders and guests will get again 1 to 2 minutes for further interventions, if they want to. **In third and concluding round**, distinguish guest, chief guest and honorable chair will give summary and conclusions.  |