



From Awareness to Action

Zambia's Path to Climate Adaptation

Who Must Act? Everyone

Climate change touches every corner of society. Here's how Zambians can step up. Households:

- Use solar cookers, energy-saving bulbs.
- Practice water harvesting, composting, crop rotation.
- Plant trees, recycle, and reduce waste.

Women & Youth:

- Women power 60% of Zambia's agriculture, equip them with knowledge and tools (IUCN, 2018).
- Youth (over 35% of population [Ministry of Youth, Sport and Arts, Zambia, 2023]) can innovate green tech, apps and enterprises.





Communities:

- Set up local flood/drought alerts.
- Restore forests and manage communal resources sustainably.

Government:

- Integrate climate into budgets and plans.
- Support local climate strategies.
- Work with chiefs and local leaders for grassroots action.

Corporate Sector:

- Green supply chains.
- Report on ESG practices.
- Invest in solar, clean tech, and resourceefficient processes.

Zambia's Sectoral Adaptation Opportunities

- Agriculture: Drought-tolerant crops, conservation farming.
- Energy: Off-grid solar, only 17.6% of rural Zambia is electrified (World Bank, 2023).
- Water: Boreholes, rainwater tanks, rehabilitated dams.
- Forestry: Halve deforestation (300,000 ha/year lost [Lusaka Times, 2020]) through community woodlots.
- Tourism: Expand eco-tourism.
- · Infrastructure: Climate-proof roads and assets.

Together, we can turn climate risks into resilience, and challenges into green opportunities.

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