"Leaving No One Behind: Sustainable WASH Services in Rapidly Changing Context"

**Climate Resilience Framework: UNICEF Perspective** 

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By the end of this session, you will:

- Understand the impact of climate change in the WASH sector
- Understand climate resilient WASH framework of UNICEF and its applicability





WASH Climate Resilience Programming: A UNICEF Perspective





# **Global Trends: Rising Temperatures**

- Over the past 50 years, the average global temperature has increased at the fastest rate in recorded history.
- All but 1 of the 16 hottest years have occurred since 2000. The hottest year on record was 2016.
- It is estimated that without additional mitigation efforts, by 2100 the world could be 3.7° to 4.8° C warmer than in pre-industrial times.
- Rising temperatures can lead to deadly pathogens in freshwater sources, making the water dangerous for children to drink.
- For every 1° C increase in temperature there is an 8% rise in E. coli-related diarrhoea.

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## Water Scarcity and Drought

- Evidence shows that since 1970, climate change has led to increased water scarcity and drought. Globally, droughts are becoming longer and more intense, and they are covering wider areas.
- During times of drought children risk dying of thirst they also often have less food, need to walk long distances to collect water, leaving them with less time to go to school, study and play.





## Flooding

Destroys or damages latrines and toilets, which can contaminate water supplies.

- Can cause communities to abandon important sanitation and hygiene practices.
- Peaks in diarrhoeal mortality and morbidity are commonly
- The risk of vector-borne diseases rises



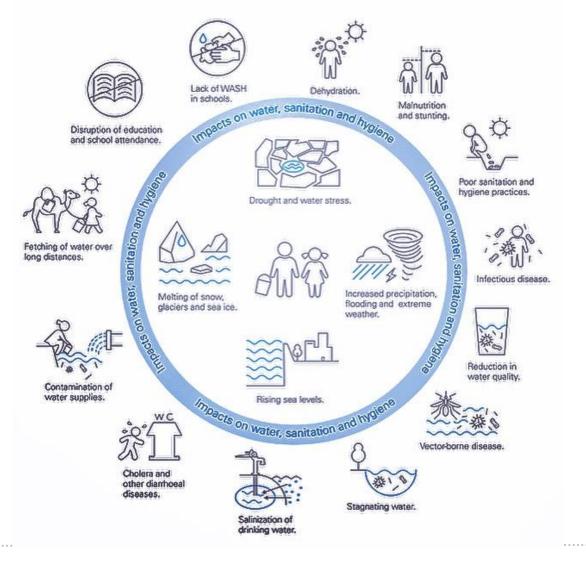
## **Sea Level Rise**

- When sea-levels rise salt water can infiltrate water supplies and cause irreversible damage
- Between 1993 and 2010, sea levels rose by 3.2 millimeters per year.
- A global temperature rise of 2° C is estimated to leave 130 million more people per year affected by coastal flooding





### The Impact of Climate Change on Children

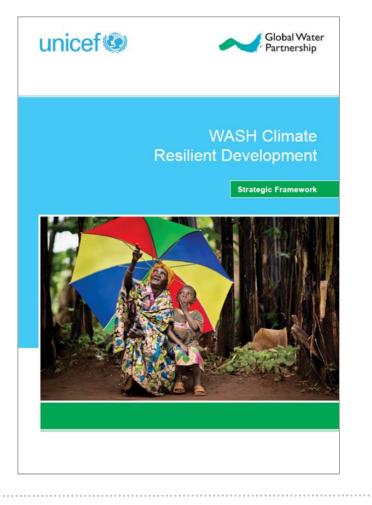


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## The Strategic Framework for WASH Climate Resilience



### FRAMEWORK FOR WASH CLIMATE RESILIENCE



## Focus on:

Rural WASH infrastructure and services are sustainable, safe and resilient to climate related risk

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WASH contributes to build community resilience to climate change



#### AREAS OF WORK AND GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS

- Guidance note: Risk assessments for WASH
  Understand
  Understand
  WASH climate resilient development
  Technical Brief: Climate resilient WASH monitoring and evaluation
- Technical Brief: WASH Climate resilient options
  - Technical Brief: Appraising and prioritizing options
  - Technical Brief: Modified Water Safety Planning
  - Technical Brief: Integration of climate resilience into WASH strategies and plans

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#### **RESULTS FRAMEWORK**

OUTCOME

#### Rural WASH infrastructure and services are sustainable, safe and resilient to climate related risks; and WASH contributes to build community resilience to climate change

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INTERMEDIATE OUTCOME	1. An ENABLING ENVIRONMENT conducive to climate resilient WASH services and communities	2. Water resources are MONITORED and MANAGED considering climate risks to WASH services and infrastructure	3. ACCESS to climate resilient WASH infrastructure and services	4. Climate resilient BEHAVIORAL CHANGE and GOVERNANCE at community and local level
ουτρυτ	STRENGTHEN WASH SECTOR ENABLING ENVIRONMENT 1.1 Knowledge of climate risks generated and shared 1.2 Climate risk informed policies, strategies, plans and programmes developed 1.3 Adequate budget and resources allocated 1.4 Plans implemented and monitored 1.5 Inter-sectoral coordination strengthened with focus on health, food security and education sectors 1.6 Strengthened Early Warning Systems in place	BUILD WATER RESOURCE MONITORING AND MANAGEMENT CAPACITY 2.1 Water resource status and pressures understood 2.2 Long-term monitoring systems implemented and maintained 2.3 Guidelines/rules developed prioritising WASH services and accounting for hydrological change 2.4 Agreed rules implemented for resource development and adaptive management	SUPPORT CLIMATE SMART INFRASTRUCTURE AND TECHNOLOGIES 3.1 Project design and implementation of WASH standardsstrengthened 3.2 Water storage enhanced and protected 3.3 Water supplies diversified where possible 3.4 Climate smart technologies (low and no regret options) for WASH investigated and implemented	SUPPORT INSTITUTIONAL REFORM AND BEHAVIOUR CHANGE 4.1 Capacities and resources of local government and local private sector to implement and monitor WASH resilient programming strengthened 4.2 Awareness and capacity of communities to respond to shocks and stresses is enhanced 4.3 Local markets and supply chains extended and deepened to increase availability of climate resilient WASH products and services 4.4 Early warning and response systems strengthened
ACTIVITY	1.1.1 Improving understanding of climate risks	2.1.1 Assessing water resources – quantity and quality	3.1.1 Ensuring conformity with climate-informed standards	4.1.1 Strengthening capacity of WASH professionals and practitioners
	1.1.2 Understanding resilience of technology types 1.1.3 Understanding WASH contribution to build community climate resilience	2.1.2 Assessing risks to water resources from climate change and other pressures	3.1.2 Supporting supervision and enforcement of standards	4.1.2 Making sure sufficient resources are available for local WASH agencies in most vulnerable regions
	1.2.1 Reviewing and updating WASH policies and strategies to account for climate risks	2.2.1 Monitoring water availability and quality	3.2.1 Developing decentralised storage systems 3.2.2 Strategically developing groundwater resources	4.2.1 Education and training of community groups
	1.2.2 Strengthening evidence based policy advocacy	2.2.2 Monitoring patterns of use and climate-linked (and other) threats		for climate-responsive WASH management
	1.3.1 Making budget allocations available to enhance resilience of existing WASH systems		3.3.1 Spreading risk between different water sources and systems	4.2.2 Sharing knowledge on local WASH climate resilient options
	1.3.2. Making budget allocations available to prioritize WASH interventions in identified risk areas	2.3.1 Developing agreed guidelines/rules across water sector informed by climate risks	3.3.2 Targeting areas/communities affected by climate hazards and vulnerable sources by providing climate resilient WASH systems	4.3.1 Supporting local markets and supply chains for resilient WASH systems/technologies
	1.3.3 Ensuring adequate emergency budget allocations for WASH sector	2.3.2 Supporting basin planning initiatives that coordinate water-using and polluting sectors and prioritise support for the most vulnerable areas	3.4.1 Adapting technologies to account for climate risks	4.4.1 Assessing status and functionality of early warning and response systems in relation to WASH needs
	1.4.1 Developing, implementing and monitoring plans		3.4.2 Exploring innovative, climate smart	
	1.4.2 Mainstreaming bottleneck analysis and planning     1.5.1 Identifying and incorporating cross-sectoral considerations to manage climate risks	2.4.1 Developing new water sources in a resilient and sustainable manner	technologies (e.g. solar systems) 3.4.3 Exploring wastewater reuse/ recycling, nutrient recovery and energy production from waste	4.4.2 Contingency planning for WASH – esp. droughts and floods
	1.5.2 Increasing partnership and collaborative working 1.6.1 Ensuring Early Warning Systems predict and mitigate climate risks to WASH related outputs and outcomes	2.4.2 Allocating resources between sectors with WASH as a priority	3.4.4 Improving sanitation and hygiene practices (e.g. ending open defecation) to reduce vulnerability	4.4.3 Water Security and Water Safety Planning



#### **RESULTS FRAMEWORK: NATIONAL LEVEL**

## NATIONAL LEVEL

An **ENABLING ENVIRONMENT** conducive to climate resilient WASH services and communities

#### Output

Strengthen WASH sector enabling environment

#### **Examples of activities**

Reviewing and updating WASH policies and strategies

Making budget allocations available to enhance resilience of existing WASH systems

Ensuring Early Warning Systems predict and mitigate climate risks to WASH related outputs and outcomes

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#### **RESULTS FRAMEWORK: SUBNATIONAL LEVEL**

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#### **Intermediate Outcome**

Water resources are **MONITORED** and **MANAGED** considering climate risks to WASH services and infrastructure

#### Output

Build water resource monitoring and management capacity

#### **Examples of activities**

Monitoring patterns of use and climate-related (and other) threats

Developing agreed guidelines/rules across water sector informed by climate risks

Supporting basin planning initiatives that coordinate water-using and polluting sectors and prioritise support for the most vulnerable areas

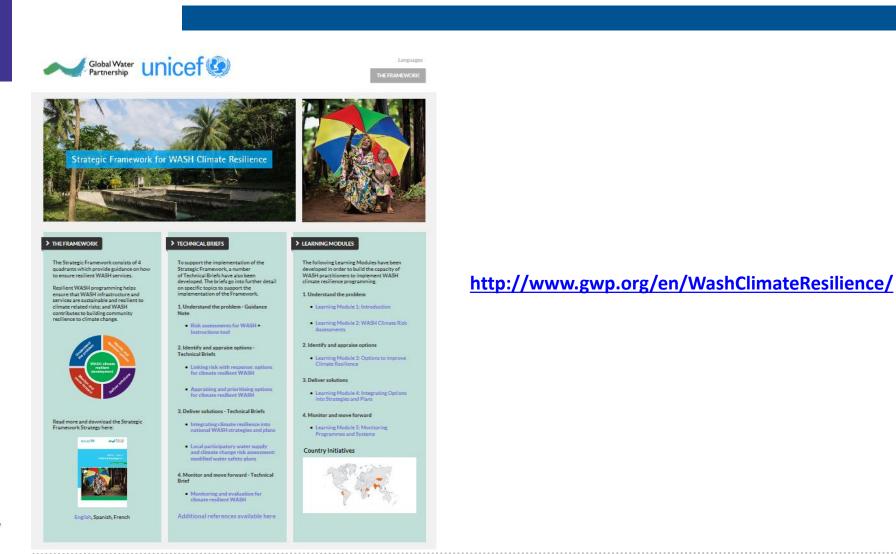
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### **RESULTS FRAMEWORK: LOCAL LEVEL**

Intermediate Outcomes	ACCESS to climate resilient WASH infrastructure and services				
	Climate resilient <b>BEHAVIORAL CHANGE</b> and <b>GOVERNANCE</b> at community and local level				
Output	Support "Climate-smart" infrastructure and technologies Support institutional reform and behavior change				
Examples of activities	Targeting areas/communities affected by climate hazards by providing climate resilient WASH systems				
	Improving sanitation and hygiene practicing (e.g. ending open defecation) to reduce vulnerability				
	Assessing status and functionality of early warning and response systems in relation to WASH needs				



### WASH Climate Resilient Development Website



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## Examples of Climate Resilient Programming

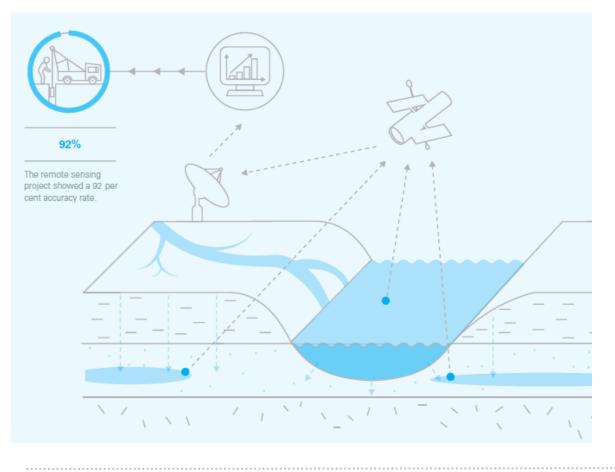
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#### **GIS Water Mapping**



- In 2016, Ethiopia experienced one of its worst droughts in decades.
- Piloting of remote sensing combines satellite earth scanning with hydrological investigation techniques → groundwater suitability map.
- Improved drilling success rates from 50% to 92% accuracy in the most water scarce regions.
- More than 540,000 people have now gained access to safe water in droughtprone regions, including Multi Village Schemes.
- Approach is being scaled-up in 39 more districts.
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#### **Diversification of Water Supply Sources**

#### Cambodia: Beyond groundwater



- Shallow wells dry up during dry season
- Compliment with use of treated surface water sources





- Rain water captured when available and stored it (tanks or underground) for use throughout the year.
- Great way to diversify/provide back-up option

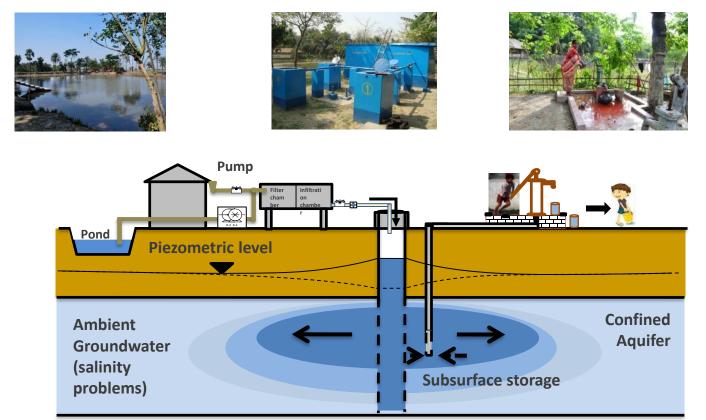
## Myanmar: Solar powered water systems



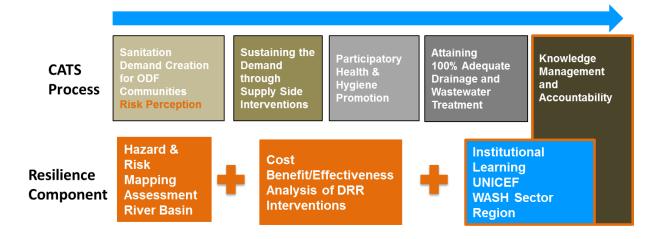
 Durable, cost-effective, climate smart technology, also provides a water storage "buffer"



#### **Bangladesh: Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR)**



#### Pakistan Approaches to Total Sanitation (PATS)





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#### Madagascar: Increasing community resilience through Multi Use Systems (MUS)



- MUS: Meets both people's domestic and productive livelihood needs, whilst at the same time, ensuring the most efficient use of water resources.
- Construction/rehabilitation of 72 boreholes (including solar powered water systems).
- Protects livelihoods and agricultural production in communities → improved health and nutrition of children
- Increased financial sustainability of systems: water use is directly related to livelihoods → increased desire to pay for water and maintain system



# Thank you

#### **Useful links:**

Thirsting for a Future Report: https://www.unicef.org/publications/index\_95074.html

UNICEF-GWP WASH Climate Resilience Programming Guidance Portal: <u>https://www.gwp.org/en/WashClimateResilience/</u>



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