

# What Has Climate Justice and Gender got to do with Business?

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Conscious choices for environmentally friendly products.

Businesses can gain a competitive advantage

Unlock new opportunities for growth and expansion.

Ensure compliance to overcome barriers and access global markets effectively.

Impacts of global climate challenge on Sri Lanka - food security and agriculture to tourism and coastal communities

Need to make informed choices and impacts on local businesses.



#### Climate and Gender - Extreme Events

- # Floods
- # Droughts
- **#** Storm Surges
- # Sea Level Rise





## Floods









# **Droughts and Migration**







# Climate Change and Water security

Women and girls bear the brunt of disasters
Disrupt women's livelihoods

Increase the burden of unpaid work in the home
Worsen gender-based violence



# Climate justice and Gender – SDG 17

- # Platform building
- # Technical support
- # Social auditors
- # Advocacy and community engagement
- # Capacity building for enhanced risk resilience



# "Greed is wanting the benefits of community without contributing to it."

Putting People First –Robert Chambers Bureaucratic Re-orientation – David Van Korten Weapons of the Weak –James Scott



#### The balancing act calls for

- + Gender sensitive response,
- + Evidence based advocacy,
- + Capacity building,
- + Investment in big data,
- + Upscaling pilot projects
  - all calls for funds

#### BUT

Vanity Space travel vs SDGs



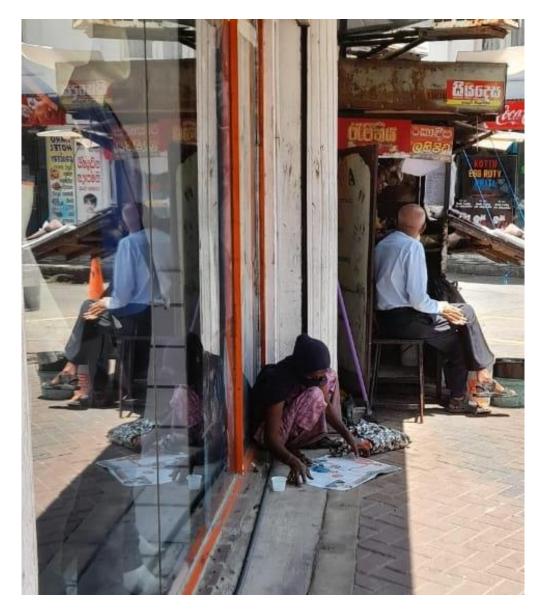


### Results of Investments –

#### Advocacy and capacity building







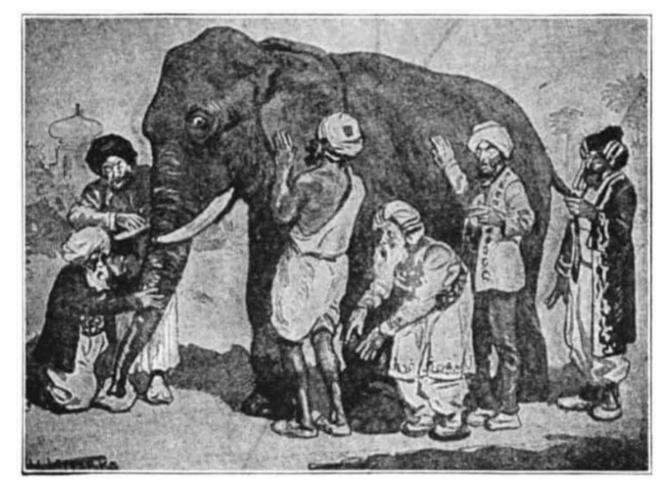


# Female Literacy

-Result of Investments



#### A South Asian tale



## Working In Silos





#### Capacity Building & Advocacy through **Sign Post to Bali**

Preparatory Consultative Process leading to the **10<sup>th</sup> World Water Forum** 





# Importance of guidance - capacity building and professionalism

Up cycled ? Recycled ?

**Consultancy cabals** 

Need for a Code of Ethics and mechanism for enforcement



#### A time for re-thinking?

