



LOCAL ADAPTATION PLAN OF ACTION (LAPA)

Habib ur Rehman International Rescue Committee (IRC) "NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS CAN CHANGE THE WORLD. INDEED, IT IS THE ONLY THING THAT EVER HAS."

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Community-Based
Approach: LAPA is a
community-based
approach that takes a
"vulnerability first"
approach to climate
change adaptation

LAPA vs NAP: LAPA contrasts with the National Adaptation Programme of Action (NAPA/ NAP) in their bottom-up, local approach.

LAPA is a participatory, contextual, and inclusive bottom-up planning process, which is developed to operationalize the policy objectives outlined in the National Adaptation Plan (NAP).

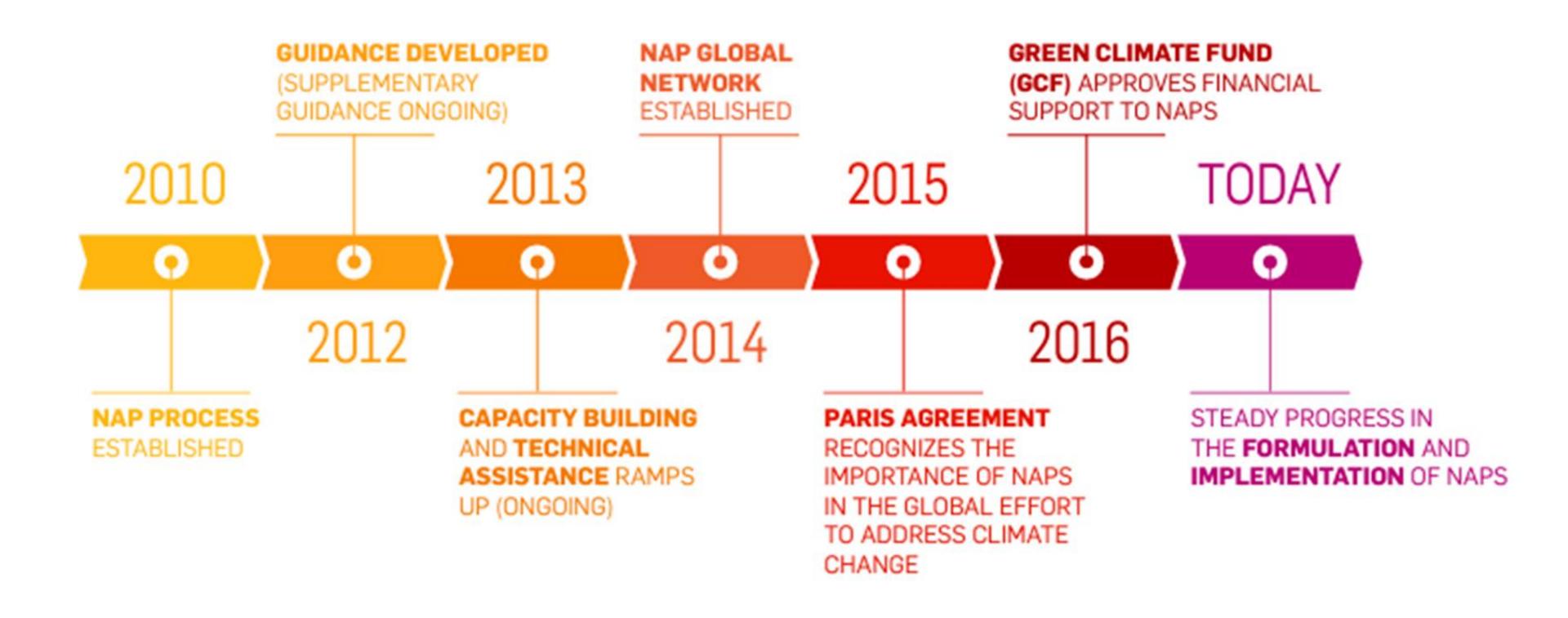


OVERARCHING OBJECTIVE OF LAPA

To integrate climate change resilience through identifying climatic risk at the local level and incorporating adaptation into the local-to-national development planning process, for creating a situation paving the way towards climate-resilient development.



How has the NAP process evolved since it was established?



KEY STEPS FOLLOWED

Review & progress planning

Identification of challenges

Integration into planning process

Stakeholder & Identification analysis

Prioritization of solution and action planning



LAPA Development process

LAPA Steps	Description	Methodology		
Identification of Challenges	 To identify challenges with a focus on climate change and its linkages/impacts on different sectors. 	 Secondary data District profile Interviews with government departments 		
Stakeholders Identification & Analysis	 Who are primary and secondary stakeholders? Both in terms of responsibilities and roles and impacts of climate change on people and sectors. 	 Relevant govt. departments NGOs/ CSOs Vulnerable communities and sectors 		
Prioritization of Solutions & Action Planning	 What are the available solutions? Prioritization of solutions in short, medium, and long terms. Identification of roles and responsibilities of different actors. 	 Key informant interviews Focus groups 		
Integration into Planning Process	 What steps are needed to integrate suggested solutions into district level planning process? 	 Interviews with Deputy Commissioner Qambar Shahdadkot Data collection and interviews with relevant departments of government of Sindh 		
Review & Progress Assessment	Need for periodic review of LAPA solutions.	 Monitoring frameworks Study of government planning and development processes 		



INTEGRATION OF LAPA IN THE PLANNING PROCESS



Identification of Vulnerable Areas

Identification &
Prioritization of
Adaptation Actions

Mobilization of Relevant Departments/Actors

Sequential Implementation of Interventions

Coordination
Mechanism for
Implementation

Scaling Up of Successful Interventions into National Planning

EXAMPLE (LAPA INTERVENTIONS FOR AGRICULTURE)

Challenge	Sector	Stakehold ers	Solutions	Prioritization of solutions and action planning (when to implement?)		
				Immediate	Medium Term	Long Term
Dwindling livelihoods resources owing to lack of water, and longer droughts resulting in contracted agricultural activities	Agriculture	Agriculture Department Academia CSO/NGOs	 Introduction of drought resistant crop varieties to farmers living in drought-affected areas Government should also consider public-private partnerships and involving agriculture research institutes to find effective and efficient ways to fight climate change's impact on agriculture and agriculture communities Farmers need to be educated on climate resilient 	X	X	X
			 farming/ Climate Smart Agriculture Cooperation mechanism to be developed with other forums working on Climate Adaptation and Mitigation in the regions 		X	X

