



Republic of Sierra Leone
Developing CSA within the NAIP while
reinforcing inter-sectoral consistency:
progress, bottlenecks and support needs



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CSA in sector-based programs: progress & bottlenecks

PROGRESS

- Establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency (SLEPA), the National Protected Areas Authority (NPAA) and the National CC Committee (NCCC) plus a secretariat set up by NAPA
- Renewable energy(solar energy, bio-fuel) programs by the Govt. and ADDAX.
- Encouraging IVS farming (MAFFS).
- Declaration of three national parks, bio-diversity and wetlands conserved
- Implementing the REDD+ project
- Coastal rehabilitation to save the mangrove fish breeding grounds (MFMR)
- Climate resistant varieties developed by SLARI
- EW programs by MAFFS.
- Irrigation and drainage systems for agric. production
- Piloting the Integrating and Adapting CC into Agric. and Food Security (IACCAFS)

BOTTLENECKS

- Inadequate financial resources to upscale the Renewable Energy, REDD+ and IACCAFS programs; Lack of reliable and updated data on CC
- Little research knowledge circulated on integrating CC in the agricultural programs
- CC manpower gaps

Inter-sectoral consistency and dialogue: progress & bottlenecks

PROGRESS

- EPA is the **central coordinating agency** for all CC sectoral programs through the NCCC
- **Partnerships** within agencies to **harmonize efforts**. Eg. MAFFS and MMR restoring coastal areas.
- **Joint CC sensitization** programs-eg MAFFS, EPA, NPAA and other stake holders.
- MAFFS and NGOs encouraging people to **move from flood/mudslide prone areas**.
- **Women's and Youth networks** for environmental sustainability working with EPA and other NGOs

BOTTLENECKS

- Overlap of sectorial mandates.
- Inadequate collaboration and policy implementation
- Lack of trained staff for sectoral coordination on CC activities
- Limited multimedia awareness

Country support needs:

(1/2) To develop CSA within the NAIP

- **Financial, scientific and technical expertise** are required to upscale the current pilot programs and projects within the NAIP (metrological equipment, data collection, monitoring etc.).
- **Support the NCCC** set by NAPA and its collaborating institutions with the relevant expertise to function properly
- **Massive multi-media awareness campaign** to be carried out within the NAIP framework.
- Need for **joint research and publications**
- **Identifying recognized international partners** to work with
- ECOWAS to **link Regional CC federating programs** to the NAIP

Country support needs:

(2/2) To reinforce inter-sectoral consistency and dialogue

- Expertise to conduct round table sessions to discuss emerging trends on CC
- The development of a national environmental advocacy strategy and implementation plan.
- Jointly developing commitment charters and engagement with stakeholders in support of adaptation needs.
- Joint research and publications on sound CSA practices.
- Jointly holding environmental fairs
- Knowledge sharing on building institutional partnerships for CSA.
- Financial and technical support required for the SLEPA as the coordinating agency to be more robust in executing its mandate.



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