

Climate and Environment Charter

Targeted and indicator for Cambodian Red Cross

Introduction

Cambodia is projected to experience warming of 3.1°C by the 2090s, against the baseline conditions over 1986–2005 under the highest emissions pathway, RCP8.5. Increases in annual maximum and minimum temperatures are expected to be larger than the rise in average temperature, increasing pressures on human health, livelihoods, and ecosystems (source: Climate Risk Country Profile: Cambodia).

As auxiliary to the public authority in humanitarian sector and following its Cambodian Red Cross strategy 2021-2030, the National Society is assisting the most vulnerable communities affected by disasters. As a leading humanitarian agency in Cambodia that has a key role to play in addressing the climate and environment crises that affect people's lives and livelihoods, the Cambodian Red Cross had signed the Climate and Environment Charter on 28th October 2022. There are 7 Commitments in the Charter, but the Cambodian Red Cross will be implementing 4 commitments (commitment 1, 2, 3 and 5) through organization-specific targets and action plans based on the National Society's capacities and mandates.

<u>Commitment I:</u> Step up our response to growing humanitarian needs and help people adapt to the impacts of the climate and environmental crises.

Targeted: Support vulnerable communities in adapting to climate change and reducing disaster risks.

Indicators:

- 1. Number of people affected by climate related hazard who received support from CRC
- 2. Number of community resilience/DRR projects implemented by CRC in areas most impacted by climate change and environmental degradation.
- 3. Number of people who are reached by Early Warning Systems in high-risk areas and who are prepared to take action.

<u>Commitment II:</u> Maximize the environmental sustainability of our work and rapidly reduce our greenhouse gas emissions.

Targeted: Promote sustainable environmental conservation and promote awareness about climate and environment issues among staff and volunteers.

Indicators:

- 1. Number of trees planted in tourist areas and schools.
- 2. Number of trainings and workshops conducted on the impact of climate change and environmental degradation, and how to reduce their impacts
- 3. Number of school and community members who participate in the promotion of plastic use reduction.

4. Number of CRC small-scale project activities implemented to reduce emission gas (GHG)

Commitment III: Embrace the leadership of local actors and communities.

Targeted: Empowering and enabling local individuals and groups to take charge in decision-making and leadership roles within their communities.

Indicators

- 1. Number of capacity building sessions or trainings conducted by CRC for local leaders on climate change adaptation and mitigation and/or nature-based solution
- 2. Number of community-led initiatives for climate change adaptation and mitigation (funding source).

<u>Commitment V:</u> Work collaboratively across the humanitarian sector and beyond to strengthen climate and environmental action.

Targeted: Addressing complex challenges and humanitarian crises by strengthening coordination and collaboration through bringing resources, sharing information and best practices.

Indicators: Numbers of meeting/ workshops with relevant government ministries, UN agencies, NGOs, and private sector to foster collective action for climate-related initiatives.

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