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The changing climate patterns are affecting the people from California in America to Tunis in Africa and Sanbao in China. No place on Earth is currently present, which is not impacted by the implications of climate change. The people of every social class or communities are impacted from it, particularly vulnerable communities. Despite facing multiple disparities, they are on the front line against changing climate patterns. The key implications of climate change for vulnerable communities include:

devastating destruction, decreasing agricultural productivity, spreadness of diseases, large scale displacement and water scarcity.

To mitigate these impacts, the number of strategies are adopted worldwide. The key strategies include:

early warning system, social protection programs and global cooperations

These strategies helped the vulnerable communities, by training against changing climate and fundings.

Climate change is impacting the livelihood of vulnerable communities mostly, by various implications. These are countered through number of adaptation strategies. The essay will discuss both the implications and adaptation strategies of climate change for vulnerable communities.

Firstly, the key implications of climate change for vulnerable communities include extreme weather events, leading to devastating destructions. The changing weather patterns

are affect the people all over the globe, particularly the developing region. Despite being the less contributor to climate change activities, these regions are mostly affected. The changing weather patterns are the cause of various natural disasters including earthquakes, tsunamis, cyclones, floods and hurricanes, causing the devastating destruction. Like the floods in 2022 in Pakistan costed approximately \$30 billion and affected around 33 million people, by destroying infrastructure, agriculture and other sectors of life. To cut short, extreme weather events are one of the key implications of climate change.

Secondly, the key implications of climate change for vulnerable communities include the declining agricultural productivity. The changing weather patterns are impacting the human life, particularly in deserts.

The rising temperature and declining in annual precipitations are influencing agricultural productivity, as the crops are not that much high temperature resistant. These conditions leads to droughts, like the vulnerable communities in sub-saharan deserts of Africa are facing. To conclude, changing weather patterns are the reason of declining agricultural productivity in vulnerable regions of world.

Moreover, the implications of climate change include increasing economic disparities among vulnerable communities. The large number of population in vulnerable areas are resort to agriculture, fishing, forestry and other sources for economic benefits, which are strongly impacted by changing climate. The people living in coastal areas are dependent on fishery and small-scale

agricultural activities, but due to rising sea level and salination of fresh water they are becoming short of financial gains. Like the small-scale farmers in coastal areas of Sindh can not grow rice, their main seasonal crop, due to rise in mixture of saline and fresh water.

In short, changing climate is exacerbating the economic disparities among vulnerable communities.

Furthermore, the climate change is also responsible for the spread of diseases in vulnerable communities.

These communities have limited access to healthcare facilities, due to which they are unable to get treatment on time. Along that, climate change causes the vector-borne diseases like malaria, dengue fever and heatness-ill, spreading more frequently in South-East Asian region and Sub-Saharan

region. Although these are treatable diseases, but due to limited resources in vulnerable regions they are becoming a cause of death to many. To cut short, various number of diseases in vulnerable communities are influenced by climate change.

Another, key implication of climate change is the large scale displacement in vulnerable communities. Climate change is the catalyst in melting glaciers and rising sea levels, due to rising global temperature. As a result, the people residing in coastal areas or in island nations are at the risk of displacement.

One of the key example is the island nation of Tuvalu in Oceania, who are at the risk of sinking by the end of this century due to rising sea level. This will force thousands of people living in this country

to move to safe place. Therefore; one of the key implication of climate change is forcing people to displace.

Lastly, the changes in precipitation patterns leading to water scarcity is the key implication of climate change.

Despite being the important component of living organisms, water security is completely ignored in vulnerable communities. The problems of water scarcity are influencing due to the changes in precipitation patterns, caused by climate change. This leads to the spread of diseases, insufficient water for agricultural activities and many other problem, leading to disturbance of livelihood of already vulnerable communities.

Like the changes in precipitation patterns is influencing water scarcity in Indus Basin, leading to the

disturbance in agricultural activities in Pakistan. In conclusion, vulnerable communities are affected by changing precipitation pattern, which leads to water scarcity causing several problems.

Having outlined the key implications of climate change for vulnerable communities. Now let's discuss the adaptation strategies to address these disparities.

Firstly, the early warning systems and improved infrastructure is an important adaptation strategy which can secure the vulnerable communities from climate change. The sudden natural disasters leads to devastating destruction in infrastructure, which is poorly constructed in vulnerable communities.

It leads to the disturbance of livelihood of people, and also causing casualties. It can only be cured through improved infrastructure, like earthquake

resistant, and early warning systems to warn and alert the people from upcoming natural hazard. Such initiative has been taken by Japan's government, who helped the vulnerable communities in constructing earthquake resistant infrastructure and ^{implemented} early warning to alert the residents from tsunami's and other hazards.

To sum up, early warning systems and improved infrastructure are the key adaptation strategies to help vulnerable communities from climate change.

Secondly, social protection programs are also the key adaptation strategies to help vulnerable communities amidst of climate change. These communities are deprived of economic facilities, while the the changing climate pattern increases their difficulties. The natural disaster because of changing climate

patterns, leads to infrastructure destruction, loss of income sources like livestock and many other factors which disturb their livelihood.

To compensate their losses, the government fund them some amount to reconstruct their houses and gain some income. Like after the 2022 floods in Pakistan, the government funded the affected's with some handsome amount to reconstruct their houses.

In short, social protection programs are also the key adaptation strategies to facilitate vulnerable communities.

Moreover, enhancing education and capacity building is also a key adaptation strategy to address the disparities caused by climate change. Many countries give educational training to its people to fight every unlikely natural hazard. These

programs are mostly initiated by the governments of vulnerable regions, which are at the verge of natural disasters. Therefore, the Nepal's government initiated educational training and capacity building to train people for possible earthquakes and landsliding, which are the cause of several deaths every year. To conclude, enhancing education and capacity building is the key adaptation strategy to address disparities.

In addition, the changes in policy and government structures are the key adaptation strategies, which are taken by several governments to overcome the disparities caused by climate change. The changing climate pattern has disturb the livelihood of vulnerable communities mostly, who are already at the verge of destruction. To compensate these

losses, governments used to implement number of policies to open some new ways of earning. Like the one by Maldives government policy, which gave its changing climate affected population the new methods to make their livelihood better by tourism policies. Such policies gave new sources of income to vulnerable communities. In short, the changes in government policies is the key adaptation strategy to address disparities among vulnerable communities.

Lastly, the global cooperation plays a key role in addressing disparities caused by climate change in vulnerable communities. Every year, climate change causes destruction all over the globe, particularly in developing part. These regions are more inclined to damage

caused by climate change, despite sharing the loss in cause. To compensate these losses, a initiative taken by UNFCCC in COP-28 in Dubai in 2023 by announcing loss and damage funds, which will help the most vulnerable countries to climate change by sufficient amount of funding. Such initiatives can address the disparities and help the vulnerables to gain some benefits. To cut short, global cooperations are the key adaptation strategies to address disparities among vulnerable communities.

In a nutshell, climate change is impacting the livelihood of vulnerable communities mostly, by various implications. These are countered through number of adaptation strategies. The key implications of climate change are disturbing the livelihood of vulnerable

communities, who are at the front to climate change. Despite their less share to changing climate, they are affected mostly. On the other hand, several adaptation strategies are implemented by to compensate the ~~loss~~ damage caused by climate change, key among them are global cooperations, social protection programs and helping the vulnerable communities in ^{constructive} climate resilient infrastructure. These key strategies are helping to mitigate the suffer caused by ~~the~~ climate change and are further advised to help the vulnerable communities to fight climate change. To mitigate the climate change implications, it is advised to decrease the contributions towards climate change, rather than compensating its losses.

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