

Gender Review of National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Documents



As part of its ongoing initiative on gender-responsive NAP processes, the NAP Global Network has undertaken a systematic review of NAP documents posted on the UNFCCC's [NAP Central](#) to assess the integration of gender considerations.

The document reviews explored how gender considerations have been addressed in the documents, as well as how women are positioned. It is important to note that most of the documents do not include much detail on the process undertaken to develop the NAP document or on strategies for implementation and M&E. Consequently, a lack of evidence in the document does not necessarily mean that gender hasn't been considered in a particular aspect of the NAP process—it may simply indicate a lack of documentation or that there is additional work to be done to elaborate on particular aspects of the plan.

Below is a summary of the review of South Africa's NAP document.

Country	South Africa	
Document reviewed	National Climate Change Adaptation Strategy (2020)	
Gender and/or women referenced?	Yes	
Summary of gender references	Gender equality is included as a principle for the plan, and gender-responsive adaptation actions are listed as one of the priorities. The strategy notes that poverty and gender inequality are intertwined in South Africa as single women earn less than single men. It also highlights that women experience climate impacts differently than men, that it is important not to exacerbate gender inequalities, and that the equitable benefits of adaptation actions must be ensured for the most vulnerable individuals and communities. The need for adequate financial resources to ensure gender mainstreaming in resource mobilization strategy and climate investment plan is put forward.	
Gender concepts referenced	Gender (in)equality Gender equity Gender responsiveness Gender mainstreaming	Gender differences Other related concepts: Gendered capacities, roles, and responsibilities
Context for reference to gender	Specific adaptation options identified to address gender issues Gender equality/sensitivity/responsiveness identified as a principle for the plan.	
Positioning of women	Particularly vulnerable group Beneficiaries of adaptation actions Agents of change	

For more information on the NAP Global Network's work on gender, please visit:
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