

## QUESTIONS ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND WOMEN

**1) In recent usage, especially in the context of environmental policy, "Climate Change" usually refers to:**

- A. *Day-to-day temperature and precipitation activity.*
- B. *The record of climate changes in the past.*
- C. *Changes in modern climate. It may be qualified as "Anthropogenic Climate Change" or "Global Warming".*
- D. *The weather forecast.*

**2) According to the IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) Fourth Assessment Report "Climate Change 2007":**

- A. *There is no scientific evidence that current Climate Change is mostly due to human activity.*
- B. *Most of the observed increase in globally averaged temperatures since the mid-20th century is very likely due to the observed increase in anthropogenic (human) greenhouse gas concentrations.*
- C. *Climate Change will not affect the rate of biodiversity loss.*
- D. *Human beings can do nothing in order to prevent and mitigate Climate Change.*

**3) Which are the main causes of Climate Change?**

- A. *Exponential population growth and human activities.*
- B. *The lack of foresight in weather forecast.*
- C. *The increase in UVA (ultraviolet) radiation due to ozone depletion in the poles.*
- D. *The widespread use of central heating in developed countries.*

**4) Which are the main impacts of Climate Change affecting developing countries most?**

- A. *Extreme hot and cold weather episodes in the same year.*
- B. *Extreme weather events, food insecurity (famine), migrations, illness, war conflicts...*
- C. *Climate change affects developed countries only.*
- D. *Long-lasting summers and short-lasting winters.*

**5) Why are women (and children) in developing countries the most vulnerable to the effects of Climate Change?**

- A. *Because most of them are poor (70% of the poor are women), they have less access to medical services than men and they lack of education and decision-making.*
- B. *Because they are weaker than men.*
- C. *Women are not the most vulnerable to Climate Change because they have already well adapted to it.*
- D. *Because they cannot run as fast as men when a natural disaster happens.*

**6) How can women in developing countries act as "agents of change" against Climate Change?**

- A. *Reforestation of mountain areas with trees, thus fixing atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> in biomass and soils (carbon reservoirs), and having a voice in decision-making concerning Climate Change, among other initiatives.*
- A. *Staying at home looking for the sick, the elderly and the children.*
- B. *Devoting more and more time to fetching water and fuels for cooking.*
- C. *Women can do nothing regarding Climate Change mitigation.*

**7) What needs to be done in order to reach gender equality in developing countries?**

- D. *Reverse gender roles in rural communities so that men assume the maintenance of the family by growing crops and fetching water.*
- E. *Provide women with four-wheel-drive vehicles (4x4) so that they can cover longer distances looking for water resources.*
- F. *Nothing needs to be done because gender equality is a fact in both developed and developing countries.*
- G. *Empower women through education, income generating activities, decision-making...*

**8) Why are MULTIFUNCTIONAL PLATFORMS so important to women in developing countries?**

- A. *Because they can provide rural communities with water and light.*
- B. *Because they allow them to save time for education (literacy courses) and for generating extra income activities, such as creating small agro-business enterprises.*
- C. *Because they are cheap, long-lasting and easy to use.*
- D. *Because they get them for free.*