

Indigenous Peoples Climate Change Watch (IPSCCWATCH)

Indigenous People's Organisation (IPO)

Vision:

A just, sustainable, and resilient world where Indigenous Peoples' rights are fully respected, their knowledge and cultures are valued, and they lead the way in addressing climate change and sustainable development.

Mission:

To empower Indigenous communities to protect their lands, preserve their cultures, and lead climate change adaptation and mitigation efforts through the integration of traditional knowledge and innovative solutions.

Core Values:

- Respect for Indigenous rights and self-determination
- Cultural integrity and traditional knowledge
- Environmental stewardship and sustainability
- Equity, inclusion, and social justice
- Intergenerational responsibility

Objectives:

1. Strengthen Indigenous Peoples' capacity to adapt to and mitigate climate change impacts.
2. Promote the recognition and protection of Indigenous lands, territories, and natural resources.
3. Support sustainable, culturally appropriate livelihoods and development initiatives.
4. Preserve and revitalise Indigenous knowledge, languages, and cultural practices.
5. Advocate for Indigenous Peoples' rights in local, national, and international forums.

Key Activities:

- Community-based climate adaptation and mitigation projects
- Capacity-building and training workshops
- Research and documentation of traditional knowledge
- Policy advocacy and legal support

- Sustainable livelihoods and enterprise development
- Youth and women's empowerment programmes

Target Beneficiaries:

Indigenous communities, especially vulnerable groups such as women, youth, and elders, in (East Africa, Kenya).

Approach:

We work in partnership with Indigenous communities to design and implement projects that reflect their priorities and values. Our approach is participatory, rights-based, and rooted in Indigenous knowledge systems while embracing innovative, sustainable solutions.

Partnerships and Networks:

We collaborate with:

Indigenous Peoples' organisations and councils

Local and national governments

NGOs and civil society organisations

Academic and research institutions

Donors and development agencies

International human rights and climate networks

Impact:

- Since our founding in 2021, we have:
- Supported 3 Indigenous communities in developing climate adaptation plans
- Protected 1000 hectares of Indigenous-managed forests or lands
- Trained 30 community leaders in sustainable resource management
- Advocated successfully for policy change.

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