



WINNER NON-TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS

Advancing the labor rights of women cotton pickers in Pakistan

Description of the project:

The Sindh Community Foundation uses a Feminist Participatory Action Research (FPAR) approach to support the demands of women agriculture workers – particularly cotton pickers – for better working conditions and health services in response to rising temperatures. Located in the Matiari District of Pakistan, the foundation developed an innovative advocacy strategy linking social and climate justice. Goals are to strengthen climate adaptation measures, establish a training program for 100 women agricultural workers on climate awareness, climate justice and labour rights protection, and ultimately to push policy-makers to implement the Sindh Agriculture Women’s Protection Act of 2020.



TRANSFORMATIVE OUTCOMES

Climate impact



Data collection and analysis on the differentiated effects of climate change on women’s health.



Building advocacy skills on climate justice and climate adaptation.

Gender impact



Consolidation of women workers’ Union for collective demands on women’s labour rights and health protection.



Ministries of agriculture and women’s rights committed to support The Sindh Agriculture Women Protection Act and link it to Pakistan’s NDC.



Awareness raising about the living conditions of women cotton pickers.

Scalability / replicability



Community workshops on climate resilience and climate justice expanded to other areas and sectors (tree growers).



Outreach campaigns to national policymakers and climate organizations via media outlets and press conferences.



Partnerships with 7 other women trade unions in the area.



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