CLIMATE AND GENDER

Climate change is contributing to **gender inequality**.

DID YOU KNOW?

Nearly one in three women have been subjected to physical or sexual violence at least once in their lifetime.

Due to their unequal status in many societies, women, men, and children are affected by climate change in different ways.

Women and girls are more often working in sectors affected by climate change, such as agriculture, making them especially vulnerable to climate risks.

Gender inequalities are further compounded by the unequal participation of women and men in political decision making.

Climate change is increasing the likelihood of natural disasters, which can lead to an increased prevalence of gender-based violence and sexual abuse.

On the other hand, women can play a key role in the mitigation and adaptation to climate change, for example as holders of traditional knowledge, including the understanding of sustainable practices in agriculture and day to day subsistence.

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CLIMATE SCIENCE LITERACY
IN SUPPORT OF THE **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

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