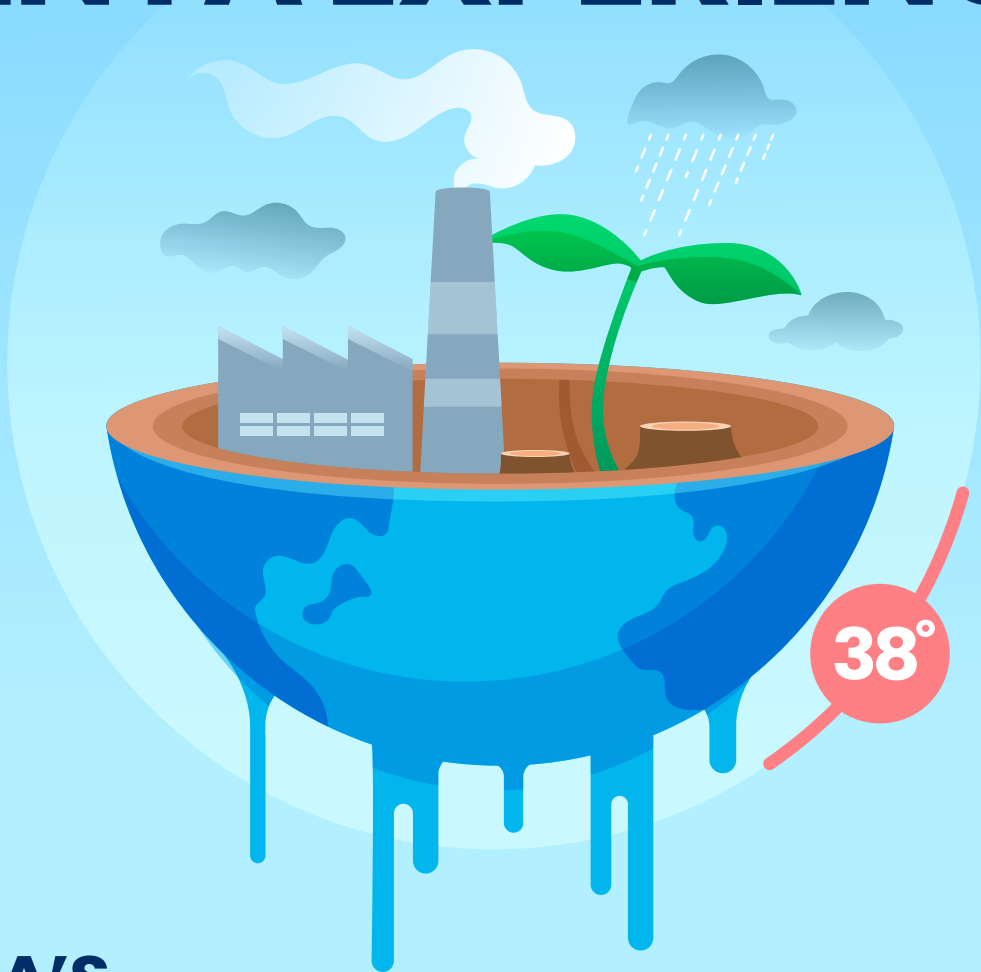




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# CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION KENYA EXPERIENCE



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### NEMA ENGAGEMENT WITH THE ADAPTATION FUND

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*Climate change is a result of our actions towards the environment. It is not an act of God but its our actions that contribute to the greenhouse has emission*

Mamo B Mamo, EBS

**27 ADAPTATION VILLAGES**  
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## CHAMPIONING CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION, KENYA EXPERIENCE

NEMA as the Environmental Protection Agency in Kenya has positioned itself as an effective climate finance entity. One of the agency's strategic result areas is to undertake resource mobilization for climate Action and to mobilize and deploy climate finance.

### ABOUT NEMA

NEMA is established under the Environmental Management and Coordination Act (EMCA), 1999 which came into force on 14th January 2000. NEMA became operational on 1st July 2002. EMCA is a framework law that establishes the legal and institutional framework for the management of the environment in Kenya.

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### NEMA'S MISSION:

To coordinate, supervise and manage all matters relating to the environment in Kenya.

### NEMA'S VISION:

A clean, healthy and sustainable environment.

## ACCREDITATION WITH GLOBAL CLIMATE FINANCE MECHANISMS

NEMA is Accredited with both the Adaptation Fund and the Green climate fund.

### ROLE OF NEMA IN CLIMATE FINANCE

As the National Implementing Entity (NIE) for the Adaptation Fund and the Accredited (AE) for the Green Climate Fund, NEMA is charged with the responsibility of developing funding proposals as well as overseeing, supervising, managing and monitoring the execution of approved projects.

Locally, NEMA vets concepts and proposal for their eligibility for submission and funding. The opportunities are therefore available for those seeking funding to submit their concepts and proposals through NEMA as the NIE/AE. The GCF has no limit in the number of proposals that a country can submit for funding and NEMA stands a great chance to support various stakeholders to develop bankable proposals and submit to GCF.

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- Globally NEMA-Kenya became the 12th NIE and has been actively engaged with the AF.

## CHAMPIONING CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION, KENYA EXPERIENCE

- Currently, NEMA is implementing the Kenya Climate Change Adaptation program entitled *Integrated Program to Build Resilience And Adaptive Capacity of Vulnerable Communities in Target Counties In Kenya* – a programme being implemented in 14 Arid and Semi Arid counties across Kenya. (For more details, visit <https://www.nema.go.ke>)  
Through AF Technical Assistance Grant support, NEMA has been able to strengthen the organization's Operational and Policy Guidelines in line with AF Environment and Social Policy. NEMA is currently implementing AF Learning and Knowledge Grant to support capturing and disseminating practical lessons from Adaptation Interventions in Kenya. To access information about the AF visit [www.adaptation-fund.org](http://www.adaptation-fund.org)

### ADAPTATION FUND PROGRAMME IN KENYA

Since 2016, NEMA has implemented the *“Integrated Programme to Build Resilience to Climate Change and Adaptive Capacity of Vulnerable Communities in target counties Kenya”*.

The project has implemented an innovative approach through establishment of *“Adaptation Villages”* that act as Centres of Community Level Climate Action. The centres are located in

remote climate impacted rural settings to provide holistic climate solutions through provision of reliable water and act as centres for learning and technology transfer at community level.

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Through this approach, NEMA has been able to reach out to the local communities with climate change information and has established sustainable ways to ensure that communities take charge of these interventions.

### MENTORSHIP OF UPCOMING NIE'S ACCESS CLIMATE FINANCE

Through the AF Readiness Programme, NEMA has provided mentorship support under the AF South South Cooperation Grants to the Environmental Management Agency (EMA) of Zimbabwe and Malawi Environment Trust Fund (MEET) to pursue accreditation as NIEs in their Countries. Through

NEMA's peer support, Zimbabwe successfully become an NIE.

Currently, the Authority is supporting the National Sustainable Development Fund (FNDS) Mozambique and National Development Bank (NDB) Botswana to pursue NIE status for their countries.

## ENGAGEMENT WITH THE GREEN CLIMATE FUND

In 2016 NEMA was accredited by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and became the 5th accredited entity in Africa and 9th direct access entity.

**NEMA Accreditation Credentials are as follows:**

- Micro-scale, project size of US\$ 10 million
- Category B
- Project management
- Full grants

The GCF accreditation enabled NEMA get funded in April 2020 under its Readiness Support Programme and under Project Preparation Facility (PPF). Currently NEMA has a project pipeline of more than 10 proposals that are awaiting consideration by the GCF.

GCF in 2021 approved a joint proposal entitled "Enhancing Community Resilience and Water

Security in the Upper Catchment Area, Kenya". To access information on GCF visit [www.greenclimatefund](http://www.greenclimatefund)

## CALL FOR ACTION

NEMA is seeking to partner with other development partners in the climate change space and other environmental related sectors in order to reach out to more grassroot communities.

NEMA acknowledges the support it has received from AF and GCF and is hopeful for more collaborations with others in the future.



**As an NIE and AE, NEMA is charged with the responsibility of submitting proposals on behalf of other stakeholders to GCF for funding consideration**



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