GCF Monitoring by Southern Activists

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Why would any grassroots activist engage for understanding and following and tracking GCF processes?

Money is coming to our countries that are mostly governed in a non democratic nature (top-down development approach, ignore and violate human and women’s rights, non-transparent, non-accountable and corruption)

GCF’s emphasis on the interest of low carbon economic path for developing countries than environmental sustainability and rights of climate crisis affected peoples
• Avoid as possible bad projects that add the problem of already climate change affected communities

• Ensure that policies of safeguards, information disclosure and accountability are applied and implemented

• Ensure that gender policy and gender action plan are applied and implemented

• Ensure country ownership with an emphasis of CSOs engagement in the decision makings related to no objection procedure and country programing for GCF

• Ensure participation of civil society and local communities in decision makings, i.e. ensure a bottom-up approach in designing program/project

• Ensure that institution/organization with bad track record in environmental, coal/fossil fuel business and human rights violation are not accredited and play a role as implementing entity
Southern activists’s experience in building knowledge and power in these processes

• Capacity building: training for activists on GCF
• CSOs strategy meetings - Southern CSOs strategy meeting and CSOs strategy meetings prior to GCF Board meetings and during COPs UNFCCC
• Input to joint submissions and CSOs observer interventions
• Outreach to other CSOs and local grant makers through workshops
• International network on GCF monitoring - list serves for CSOs global and for only southern CSOs
• National CSOs network monitoring GCF: WA group for communication exchange
• Guidebook for CSOs and local grant makers