

Inclusive Finance for Climate Resilience

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Inclusive finance is an enabler to address development challenges and achieve the SDGs



Financial inclusion enables at least 13 SDGs



FI is the ultimate multiplier. Ajay Banga CGAP's detailed evidence review shows strong links between FI and

Financial stability and economic growth

Women's Economic Empowerment

Jobs and Entrepreneurship

Poverty Reduction

Climate Action (including climate change adaptation, climate change resilience, climate change mitigation)

Essential Services (including Access to Energy, Water and Sanitation, Heath, and Education)



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DOMESTIC CROSS-BORDER **DIGITAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE (DPI) OPEN FINANCE EMBEDDED** FINTECHS BLOCKCHAIN FINANCE

COUNTRY **GAPS IN FINANCIAL ENCLUSION**

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The Asia Pacific region is projected to be **delayed until 2062** to achieve the SDGs, overshooting the schedule by a staggering 32 years







Financial inclusion is crucial to ensure a truly global climate response and a just green transition



Inclusive finance can be an effective channel to distribute climate funds at the grassroot:



Building **resilience** at the grassroots



Empowering people to pursue their own **adaptation** strategies



Enabling everyone to access green technologies to participate in a **just transition**



Building adaptive social safety nets



Making climate finance **fairer**, while mobilizing significant public and private resources for climate



Making **carbon credit markets** more inclusive







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Working together to inspire action and drive change





The inclusive finance and climate finance agenda have much to gain by working together

Inclusive finance has a unique and critical role to play in ensuring that climate finance makes its way into the hands of the most vulnerable and empowers them to act.

Given the increasing scale and frequency of climate shocks, **now is the time for united action to make inclusive finance a cornerstone of climate response**, creating a more sustainable future for those most affected by climate change.

– Ajay Banga, World Bank Group President



Source: CGAP (2024) 8 Billion Reasons. Inclusive finance as a Catalyst for Climate Action



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