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Climate Change and Environment

CLIMATE RISK ASSESSMENT (CRA) AND CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT 10/06/2024

ToT SESSION 1.0 “Climate Risk Assessment – Approach, Methods and Facilitation” was held in Tashkent on June 4-6, 2024.

Within the framework of Work Package 6 “Capacity Development and Strengthening”, training for trainers (ToT) in selected five (5) CRA (watershed) areas is being developed and delivered, including the development of ToT training materials, the delivery of ToT workshops, and online coaching support for trained trainers. Work Package 6 also includes an assessment of how trained trainers have used their new skills to support the incorporation of risk reduction measures into river basin management plans for each of the five watersheds.

Read more: [here](#)

Climate resilience, private sector development critical for quality growth in Tajikistan, says ADB official 12/06/2024

Asian Development Bank (ADB)’s Director General for Central and West Asia Yevgeniy Zhukov stressed the need to build resilience against the worsening climate crisis and extreme weather events and develop a strong private sector to ensure high-quality growth and development in Tajikistan, says press release issued by the ADB Tajikistan Resident Mission (TJRM).

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Azerbaijan and Turkmenistan are addressing issues related to the use of alternative energy sources and the fight against climate change 12/06/2024

On June 12, 2024, a meeting was held at the UAE Embassy in Turkmenistan on the topic “The path from Dubai to Baku - Pre-COP29”. Addressing the participants of the event, the Ambassador of Azerbaijan to Turkmenistan Gismat Gezalov said that Azerbaijan will host COP29 in Baku in November of this year. The holding of this large-scale conference is an

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important milestone for Azerbaijan. It is necessary to note Azerbaijan's contribution to the fight against climate change.

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Rahmon invites partner countries to contribute to activation of the Fund for Glaciers Preservation 12/06/2024

In a statement delivered at the 3rd Dushanbe Water Action Decade Conference, Tajik president Emomali Rahmon noted on June 11 that today's world is under the influence of severe crises.

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Uzbekistan highly appreciates the initiatives of the President of Tajikistan to declare 2025 International Year of Glaciers' Preservation 13/06/2024

DUSHANBE, 13.06.2024 /NIAT Khovar/. «I visited Dushanbe back in my student days — in 1977. The present Dushanbe is incomparable to the past years. Today's conference is a unique platform. Not every country can organize such a conference, raise such important issues and take initiatives,» Fazliddin Hikmatov, professor of the Department of Land Hydrology at the Mirzo Ulugbek National University of Uzbekistan, told NIAT's Khovar correspondent.

Read more: [here](#)

Climate change issues should be integrated into all plans and strategies of Central Asian states 13/06/2024

DUSHANBE, 13.06.2024 /NIAT Khovar/. «It is very important today to conduct exactly such a dialog that deals with climate change. Such issues should be integrated into all our plans and strategies for the future development of Central Asian states. The conference being held in Dushanbe is a great opportunity to improve partnership,» said Dinara Ziganshina, Director of the Scientific Information Center of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination of Central Asia Dinara Ziganshina at the Third High-Level International Conference on the International Decade of Action «Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028».

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JAHONGIR AZIZOV: CLIMATE CHANGE ACQUIRES FEATURES OF UNEVENNESS AND PROGRESSIVENESS IN THE REGIONAL CONTEXT 14/06/2024

The process of climate change acquires features of unevenness and progressiveness in

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the regional context. The purpose of the study is to examine and analyze in detail the methodology for assessing the intensity of climate change at the regional and local levels, to search for possible optimal solutions of a preventive and liquidation nature to minimize negative consequences. The study examines the issues of adaptation to global climate change in the Central Asian region, in particular.

Read more: [here](#)

TAJIKISTAN STRENGTHENS ITS CLIMATE CHANGE APPROACH 14/06/2024

13 June 2024 (Bonn, Germany) - Tajikistan today signed a memorandum of understanding with the [Initiative for Climate Action Transparency](#) (ICAT) to kickstart a project to support the country in its ongoing efforts to develop a national data framework for climate change.

Read more: [here](#)

Water resources

Tajikistan hosts an International Glacier Forum and Water Conference 10/06/2024

The International Glacier Forum, held as part of the Third International Conference on "Water for Sustainable Development," has started its work in Dushanbe, the national news agency of Tajikistan, Khovar reports.

Read more: [here](#)

Water demand in Central Asia is growing, say experts 11/06/2024

The Regional Forum of Basin Organizations took place in Dushanbe yesterday on the sidelines of the Third High-Level International Conference on the International Decade for Action "Water for Sustainable Development", 2018-2028, which is being held in the Tajik capital on June 10-13 within the framework of the Dushanbe Water Process.

Read more: [here](#)

Tajikistan hosts Central Asia Forum on Water and Climate Change 11/06/2024

Dushanbe, Tajikistan, hosted the Central Asia Forum on "Water and Climate Change", organized by the United Nations Development Programme in cooperation with the European Union and the Ministry of Energy and Water Resources of the Republic of

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Tajikistan, [UzA](#) reports.

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Water shortage predicted in Tajikistan and region 11/06/2024

Water consumption in Tajikistan is expected to decrease from 2,520 cubic meters per year to 1,167 cubic meters per year, according to Rustam Abdulloev, head of the water and energy policy department at the Ministry of Energy of Tajikistan, reports Sputnik Tajikistan.

Read more: [here](#)

President of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon attends the 3rd International Conference on the International Decade of Action «Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028» 11/06/2024

DUSHANBE, 11.06.2024 /NIAT «Khovar»/— On June 11, the Founder of Peace and National Unity – Leader of the Nation, President of the Republic of Tajikistan, Honorable Emomali Rahmon, participated and spoke at the Third International Conference on the International Decade of Action «Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028».

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Speech by President of Tajikistan His Excellency Emomali Rahmon in the opening ceremony of the 3rd Dushanbe Water Action Decade Conference “Water for Sustainable Development, 2018 – 2028” 11/06/2024

We are satisfied that Tajikistan’s global initiatives, particularly within “Dushanbe Water Process” frameworks, during these two decades, united UN member states and its institutions, international and regional structures, financial institutions, civil society and other stakeholders in order to discuss the global water issues and strive to look for solutions.

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MEETING OF NAS MEMBERS: RATIONAL USE AND PROTECTION OF WATER RESOURCES IN THE CONTEXT OF CLIMATE CHANGE 12/06/2024

Dushanbe, Tajikistan – On June 12, the Academy of Public Administration (APA) under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan hosted a meeting of the Network of Academic

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Societies (NAS) members, organized by the USAID Central Asia's Regional Water and Vulnerable Environment Activity (WAVE), the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) and the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (CAREC) in cooperation with the APA under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan.

Read more: [here](#)

Rahmon meets Saudi minister of environment, water and agriculture here to discuss cooperation 12/06/2024

On Tuesday June 11, Tajik President Emomali Rahmon met here with the Minister of Environment, Water and Agriculture of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Abdulrahman Al-Fadley on the sidelines of the Third International Conference on the International Decade of Action "Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028", according to the tajik president's official website.

Read more: [here](#)

Over the last 20 years, the share of water-related emergencies increased from 80% to 90%, says Tajik leader 12/06/2024

Inaugurating the 3rd Dushanbe Water Action Decade Conference "Water for Sustainable Development, 2018 – 2028", Tajik President Emomali Rahmon noted on June 11 that modern risks and rising threats are becoming relatively fast and effective.

Read more: [here](#)

Tajikistan and China to jointly address water supply issues 13/06/2024

The issues of the rational use of water resources, conducting joint scientific research, and developing effective management and economical use of water resources were discussed by Tajikistan's Minister of Energy and Water Resources, Daler Juma, and China's Deputy Minister of Water Resources, Ju Leiming, reports the *Khovar* agency.

Read more: [here](#)

Over two decades, Tajikistan's global initiatives plays an important role in advancing water issues 13/06/2024

DUSHANBE, 13.06.2024 /NIAT «Khovar»/. «Over the past two decades, Tajikistan's global initiatives endorsed by the UN General Assembly have played an important role in promoting water issues at various levels, stimulating dialogue and action to achieve internationally agreed water goals and targets, including those set out in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,» said Prime Minister of the Republic of Tajikistan,

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Chairman of the National Organizing Committee Kohir Rasulzoda at a press conference on the results of the event

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THE TRANSBOUNDARY WATER BASIN WORKSHOP: THE ZARAFSHAN RIVER BASIN 14/06/2024

On June 13 - 14, a seminar on transboundary water basins is being held in Samarkand (Uzbekistan): the Zarafshan river basin.

The workshop is organized within the “Climate Risk Assessment and Capacity Development” (CRACD) project implemented within the framework of the GIZ programme “Climate Risk Management in Central Asia” in cooperation with the Ministry of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The assignments were implemented by NIRAS in collaboration with the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (CAREC).

Read more: [here](#)

Energy sector

Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan sign an agreement on the construction of Kambarotinskaya HPP-1 10/06/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan signed a trilateral agreement on preparation for the implementation of the construction and operation project of Kambarotinskaya HPP-1.

Read more: [here](#)

Kyrgyz Authorities Urge Foreign Investors to Support Energy Sector Reforms 10/06/2024

The government of Kyrgyzstan is calling on foreign investors to support the country's energy sector reforms. In a statement released by the press service of the government, it was emphasized that attracting foreign investments is crucial for the successful implementation of ongoing and future reforms in the energy sector. The authorities are particularly focused on modernizing the energy infrastructure, enhancing energy efficiency, and developing renewable energy sources.

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Number of documents signed following results of Energy Forum in Vienna 11/06/2024

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Bishkek, June 11, 2024. /Kabar/. Following the results of the International Investment Energy Forum in Vienna (Austria), a number of documents were signed.

In particular, the following documents were signed:

- Interdepartmental agreement on cooperation on the Kambarata HPP-1 project between the Ministries of Energy of Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan;

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Coordinating Donor Committee to oversee construction of Kambar-Ata-1 HPP in Kyrgyzstan 11/06/2024

The International Investment Energy Forum in the Austrian capital, Vienna, concluded with the establishment of the Coordination Donor Committee for the construction of Kambaratinskaya HPP-1, the press service of the Kyrgyzstan Government reports.

Read more: [here](#)

Turkmenistan and South Korea to expand cooperation in energy sector and infrastructure 11/06/2024

The Presidents of Turkmenistan and South Korea agreed in Ashgabat to expand cooperation on large-scale energy and infrastructure projects, as well as to collaborate on Seoul's strategy in Central Asia, Orient reports.

Read more: [here](#)

IDB to allocate additional funds for Rogun HPP in Tajikistan 12/06/2024

Over the years of cooperation with Tajikistan, the Islamic Development Bank has invested in more than 100 projects amounting to over \$900 million, said the President of the group, Dr. Muhammad Sulaiman Al Jasser, Asia-plus reports.

Read more: [here](#)

IDB ready to finance projects in field of renewable energy sources in Kyrgyzstan 12/06/2024

Bishkek, June 12, 2024. /Kabar/. The Islamic Development Bank (IDB) is ready to consider financing projects in the field of renewable energy sources (RES) and infrastructure in Kyrgyzstan, the press service of the Ministry of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic reported.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Germany intends to deport Afghans to Uzbekistan 17/06/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Germany intends to deport Afghans who are not eligible for refugee status to Uzbekistan, German media reported. It is expected that Afghans will be sent to Afghanistan later.

Read more: [here](#)

Cooperation between Central Asian countries

Border regions of Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan boost mutual cooperation 10/06/2024

Bishkek, June 10, 2024. /Kabar/. Deputy Mayor of Osh Mars Isaev and Consul General of Uzbekistan Zafar Akhmedov discussed issues of cooperation between the cities of Osh and Andijan.

During the meeting, interest was noted in its further development and joint development of a number of projects in the areas of digitalization, the provision of public services, tourism and recreation.

Read more: [here](#)

Flood warning systems to be installed in three Central Asian countries 11/06/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Flood warning systems will be installed in Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan. This was announced by UNESCO Director General Audrey Azoulay.

Read more: [here](#)

Construction of China-Uzbekistan-Kyrgyzstan railway to begin at in late August 13/06/2024

Bishkek, June 13, 2024. /Kabar/. The ceremonial launch of the construction of the China-Uzbekistan-Kyrgyzstan railway is expected at the end of August, Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Kyrgyz Republic Akyzbek Zhaparov told today in the parliament.

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