CLIMATE CHANGE AFFECTS WOMEN’S RIGHTS

Did you know?

Women constitute most of the world’s poor and many smallholder farmers are women whose livelihoods are directly at risk from climate change. Impacts like frequent extreme weather events, the increase of vector-borne diseases such as malaria, water scarcity and food insecurity, combined with unequal care burdens undermine women’s enjoyment of their rights.

If women had the same access to productive resources as men, they could increase yields on their farms by 20 to 30%, potentially reducing global hunger by 17%. Yet women are often excluded from climate action decision-making, exacerbating existing inequalities and hampering the search for meaningful climate solutions that reflect their situations, views and needs.

Let’s take a human rights-based approach to climate action that puts women and girls in all their diversity at its core!