

Are There Major Lessons From The Response To The HIV/AIDS In Tanzania On Mitigation And Adaptation To Climate Change?



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1 Development Challenge

- ❑ the biggest developmental challenge since independence has been to get out of **POVERTY**.
 - ❑ For its good behaviour, Tz qualified for debt relief under **HIPC**.
 - ❑ Prediction of **great catastrophes**.
 - ❑ Approaching Malthusian **hysteria**
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No Better Candidates Than HIV/AIDS and CC.

- Appearance of topic in G8
 - Powerful, uncanny metaphors
 - Common to both apocalyptic disaster great human sufferings.
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Contrasts In Knowledge Management (KM)

- Formal vs Informal Sector In Health**
 - The Health Sector And KM In Tz**
 - Prevalence & Relevance of HIV/AIDS In Tz**
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The Anomalies of Health In Tz

- ❑ Less than 2000 University trained doctors
 - ❑ Appalling Indicators MMR, IMR etc
 - ❑ Mortality & Morbidity
 - ❑ Infrastructure
 - ❑ Distribution: DSM 60% of all doctors
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WORDS of WISDOM

“If we are really concerned with the health of the people of Africa, then it is urgent for us to change our tune. Plain common sense, as well as scientific reason, make it imperative that we do so” (Deru Marc. 2003).

We have lived with Climate Variations – What is New ?

- ❑ The Many Facets Of Climate Change**
 - ❑ Learning Lessons From A Super Hurricane Striking A Super Power**
 - ❑ What Happens When An Annual Unpredictable Irritant Becomes A Global Issue?**
 - ❑ You are a candidate for losing your human rights**
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Coping With Climate Variability

- The Warufiji
 - The Maasai
 - The Wachagga
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Climate Change and the Emerging Conflicts

- The Need For Knowledge in Planning
 - The Anomaly Of The Energy Crisis In Tanzania
 - Decentralized and Alternate Fuels
 - The Panacea Of Bio-Fuels
 - The Real Cost Of Bio-Fuels
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Principle 13

- **States shall...in an expeditious and more determined manner to develop further international law regarding liability and compensation for adverse effects of environmental damage caused by activities within their jurisdiction or control to areas beyond their jurisdiction (UN Rio 13).**
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CONCLUSIONS-The Context

- Dependency Syndrome That Undermines The National Will**
 - Climate Change Impacts Are Far More Complex/Than HIV/AIDS**
 - Events And Changes Do Not Take Place In A Vacuum.**
 - Conflicting Policy Goals.**
 - Lessons From HIV/AIDS**
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Lost Opportunities And Mega Rip offs

- The Plight of the People In ASAL**
 - The threat to livelihoods**
 - The various alternative initiatives**
 - Aid and the Dilution of National Responsibilities**
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The Lessons From HIV/AIDS

- Foreign Assistance & Distortion In The Health Sector**
 - There is no substitute for investments in education on a broad basis**
 - Need for a reality check**
 - The link HIV/AIDS –CC. Communities know even more about adapting to CC. People's Experience, (eg TAWG) must not be dismissed outright.**
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Human Development Report HDR

- **“no amount of mitigation will protect the vulnerable people in developing countries from the incremental CC”.**
 - **“Adaptation is ultimately about building the resilience of the world’s poor to problem largely created by the world’s richest nations “ p 107**
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- ❑ The ramification of CC would have a bigger real impact on many more people than presently afflicted by HIV/AIDS.
 - ❑ Climate Change is a far more complex problem but with local solutions.
 - ❑ No amount of foreign aid should be a substitute for paucity in knowledge management and alternatives available to free people and their governments.
 - ❑ The integration of priorities in the dominant interest of the people.
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The First Steps To The Dark Age

To deal with CC in the same way as we have done with HIV/AIDS would be the first step to the dark age rather than adapting to climate change.

