## Asia-Pacific Climate Adaptation Actors Gather in Colombo for Knowledge Synthesis Symposium

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Civil society representatives from across the Asia-Pacific region came together in Colombo, Sri Lanka for the Asia-Pacific ARA-TLS Knowledge Synthesis Symposium, held from February 24-26, 2025. Organized by Transition Research as the TLS project lead partner of the Adaptation Research Alliance (ARA), the symposium aimed to foster collaboration and knowledge-sharing among climate adaptation experts and practitioners.

The event served as a platform for participants to exchange experiences from their ongoing climate adaptation projects, and developing tools for effective evaluation and future planning. Through discussions and workshops, delegates honed strategies for scaling climate adaptation initiatives, addressing the region's growing vulnerability to climate impacts.

Key topics of the symposium included health, human settlements, digital technology in food security, and adaptation goals. These areas were identified as critical in ensuring adaptation in the face of increasingly unpredictable climate patterns. Representatives discussed practical solutions for improving community health outcomes in a warming world, building resilient infrastructure for rapidly urbanizing regions, and utilizing digital tools to support food security and adaptation efforts.

The *Tracking, Learning, & Sharing (TLS)* initiative, a core component of ARA's work, took center stage during the event. TLS is designed to encourage learning, engagement, and the active exchange of knowledge among ARA members, ensuring that vital lessons and insights from on-the-ground experiences are shared widely. Symposium participants were actively involved in contributing to the development and dissemination of impactful knowledge products that will inform future adaptation projects.

The three-day gathering was not just about knowledge exchange but also about fostering an inclusive and collaborative environment. ARA's commitment to diversity and peer learning was evident throughout the event.

This symposium represents a significant step in enhancing regional cooperation on climate adaptation, with participants leaving with new knowledge, tools, and partnerships to help drive forward effective climate resilience strategies in their respective communities.



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Mr. Md Biozid Jessorey is a dynamic motivational speaker, trainer, youth leader, and academician with extensive experience in both Bangladeshi and German universities, including Primeasia University, University of Kaiserslautern, and University of Kiel. He has also worked with various national and international NGOs such as Amnesty International and UNICEF. Biozid specializes in nuclear safety, youth development, climate change, and genetics, and is the author of the financial literacy book "Sohjei E-Commerce." He holds certifications as an e-commerce and SME policy expert from the United Nations World Trade Organization and as an IAEA safety standard expert from the International Atomic Energy Agency. Biozid has led significant initiatives like the Union Math Festival and youth leadership development in Bangladesh, earning recognition from media outlets like BBC World and DW. A humanist and nonviolence activist since 2008, he believes true change comes from within the community. Growing up in the climate-affected city of Khulna, he enjoys meeting new people and embracing diverse perspectives.