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Indigenous Health and Climate Change - Australia

Closing the gap between the health and well-being status of Indigenous people living in remote areas of northern Australia and non-Indigenous Australians has long been a major target of federal health policy. This paper explores how current health policies overlook this 'missing' dimension of Indigenous connection to country, and why that is likely to be detrimental to the health and wellbeing of people living in remote communities in a climate-changed future.

Living on Climate-Changed Country: Indigenous Health, Well-Being and Climate Change in Remote Australian Communities, Donna Green and Liz Minchin, EcoHealth, International Association for Ecology and Health, 2014 [213 KB, PDF]

Local Hybrid Knowledge and State Support for Adaptation

The paper evaluates the role of new hybrid forms of climate change adaptation knowledge in the Asian Highlands (stretching from the Afghanistan/Pakistan border in the west to northwest Yunnan, China in the east) for coping with environmental and social change. It explores why weak links persist between local adaptation and state support in the region. The paper suggests some ways to bridge gap between communities and governments to improve regional cooperation for adaptation in the future.

Integrating Local Hybrid Knowledge and State Support for Climate Change Adaptation in the Asian Highlands, Jianchu Xu & R. Edward Grumbine, Climatic Change, Springer, Published online: 2 March 2014

Urban Adaptation: Secondary Cities in Vietnam and Bangladesh

The paper reflects on the lessons learned from a collaborative research project, funded by the Asia Pacific Network for Global Change Research, which was carried out jointly in the Vietnamese city of Huế and the Bangladeshi city of Satkhira. It develops a flexible suite of participatory assessment tools and methodologies (urban context) for use of local practitioners at the city and neighbourhood scales. The paper presents some key recommendations in support of climate change assessment activity in secondary cities across the Asia-Pacific region.

In Support of Urban Adaptation: A Participatory Assessment Process for Secondary Cities in Vietnam and Bangladesh, Darryn McEvoy et al., Climate and Development, Published online: 26 Feb 2014 [subscription required]

Australian State of the Climate - 2014

This State of the Climate is the third in a series of reports produced by CSIRO and the Australian Bureau of Meteorology, which provides a summary of observations of Australia's climate and analysis of the factors that influence it. It discusses the long-term trends in Australia's climate. The report shows further warming of the atmosphere and oceans in the Australian region, as is happening globally.

<u>State of the Climate - 2014</u>, CSIRO and the Australian Bureau of Meteorology, Commonwealth of Australia, 2014 [3.96 MB, PDF]

Climate Stress and Behavioral Adaptation - India

The study assesses the cognitive understanding of climate change, climate stress and actions and reactions of coastal people with a special focus on behavioral adaptation. It focuses on coastal cities of India, namely: Mumbai; Chennai; Daman; and Pondicherry. The paper assesses climate change awareness (CCA), climate stress and emotional concern (CSEC), coping/adaptation, institutional accountability (IA), and coastal subjective well being (CSWB) of coastal people.

<u>Climate Stress, Behavioral Adaptation and Subjective Well Being in Coastal Cities of India</u>, Parul Rishi and Ruchi Mudaliar, American Journal of Applied Psychology, vol. 2, no. 1, pp. 13-21, 2014 [350 KB, PDF]

Climate Adaptation 2014 - Future Challenges

The National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility (NCCARF) annual conference - Climate Adaptation 2014: Future Challenges - will take place from 30 September to 2 October 2014 at Gold Coast, Australia. The conference will focuses on the information needed to ensure Australia is adapting well to climate change. Abstract submissions close on June 02, 2014.

<u>Climate Adaptation 2014 - Future Challenges</u>, NCCARF & CSIRO, Gold Coast, Australia, 30 September-2 October 2014

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