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# The Power of India's Constituencies: Building India's Climate Resilience from the Ground Up

With climate risks rising, the solution may lie closer to  
home, right at the localised level







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# The Rising Pressure

- In 2024, India **lost 700+ lives** in a prolonged heatwave
- Crop yields are falling
- Power demand is surging

*Climate change is not a distant crisis—it's local, immediate, and personal*







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# Climate Action Needs All of Us

*India's climate response must be:*  
**Collective. Converging. Localised.**

To drive meaningful change, we need action across every layer of society:

- **Samaj (Society)** – Empower citizens, communities & civil society
- **Sarkar (Governance)** – Align national, state & local policies
- **Bazaar (Markets)** – Mobilise green finance & sustainable businesses

*Real climate resilience comes from connecting these forces at the grassroots level*

Samaj

Sarkar

Bazaar







# Why Constituency-Level Planning Matters

Top-down plans can miss hyperlocal realities  
But MLAs, MPs & panchayats are best placed to:

- Tailor strategies to local risks
- Align development with resilience goals
- Build climate capacity within communities

*Example: Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Gramin's (PMAY-G) integration of climate-conscious housing design*







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# The Climate Opportunity at the Grassroots

₹169 billion/year is allocated to MPs and MLAs

These funds can be steered toward climate-smart projects—  
From climate-resilient crops to early warning systems

Local leaders can be at the forefront of shaping region-specific solutions across India's diverse geographies







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## What's Next?

- Build capacity of local leaders
- Embed climate into constituency development plans
- Build community knowledge and ownership
- Strengthen alignment with national & global climate goals

**Resilience begins at the grassroots. Let's build it together.**

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