

and actions: People, Planet, and Participation. Participation, undoubtedly, is fundamental to achieving climate justice and equity while combatting the triple planetary crisis.

Securing a place on the fourth day of COP28, coinciding with the inaugural Health Day, finally opened doors to crucial discussions on climate health, inclusion, and SRHR. From December 3rd to 10th, my engagements spanned open forums, media interviews, climate demonstrations, bilateral talks, and following negotiations.

Throughout this immersive experience, our focus remained unwavering - urging the prioritization of the present and future of today's children and youth. In every interview and speech, I underscored the imperative of placing children's rights at the heart of decisions made at COP28, emphasizing the climate crisis as an injustice to our generation.

Climate activists, including myself, have tirelessly advocated for the operationalization of the loss and damage fund since its announcement in COP27. While our voices were heard on the first day of COP28, pledges must surpass millions

and reach into the billions to compensate for the adversities our communities face and they must be kept. Unfortunately, the fund neglects human rights, child rights, and gender-transformative approaches, the very crucial elements. After confronting pressure from civil society for years, the world leaders finally agreed on the need to "transition away from fossil fuels". It is a promising step yet insufficient step toward delivering climate justice and a just transition with a focus on human rights and social equity keeping pace with the short time.

As a teen, I view the climate crisis as an intergenerational challenge. We, the children and youth of today, were born into this crisis and are facing it as a present and future reality. Thus, we must ensure that the principles of inclusivity, intergenerational equity, and participation are followed and emphasized in the decisions made anywhere and everywhere.

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