



Thousands of trees in the Sundarbans are dead due to the soil being eroded from under the trees by tidal water, with their roots submerged in the salty water of the sea tides. The photo was taken in the Katka Jamtala Sea Beach area of the Sundarbans on September 18, 2012. PHOTO: HABIBUR RAHMAN

# ‘TO DO OR NOT TO DO’ AFTER COP28



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By now there have been many analysis pieces written about COP28 and the successes or failures it has delivered. This is partly due to a Conference of Parties (COP) final decision document which can be

hundreds of pages long, with complexities on many articles (chapters of the decision), specific wordings and language that is finally decided (the

severity of the decisions taken) and new areas or climatic impacts to be considered (that may have been excluded in previous treaties).

Going into COP28 in Dubai, there were three main issues that had grasped the global attention. These were: 1) The Global Stocktake report - to monitor the global progress in achieving the goals laid out in the landmark Paris Agreement of COP21.

2) the Global Goal on Adaptation - a similar assessment of the global progress on strengthening adaptation & resilience efforts to