



# RED RIVER DELTA ADAPATION AND YOUTH

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The Red River Delta, one of two most important agriculture production zones in Vietnam and home to almost one fourth of the country's population, is critically vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. Helping communities in the Red River Delta to effectively respond to disaster and climate change risks is of utmost importance. The Red River Delta Adaptation and Youth (READY) project contributes to enhanced resilience in the region by utilizing youth to advance effective and innovative climate change adaptation actions. The project assists three coastal provinces -- Nam Dinh, Thai Binh, and Hai Phong -- to develop and implement climate change action plans with the participation of youth, young government professionals and civil society partners.

## SUPPORTS ADAPATION PLANNING

The project helps districts develop and implement action plans based on outcomes from climate vulnerability assessments. It is expected that innovative initiatives related to climate-resilient livelihoods, flood prevention and salinity-resistant water supply options will be supported. Best practices and lessons learned from all initiatives will be documented and shared with the wider public for replication using the inter-provincial Red River Delta biosphere reserve cooperation mechanism.

## ADDRESSES ADAPTION CAPACITY

The project also works with local non-governmental organizations and local intermediate organizations to enhance participatory adaptation planning and implementation capacity at district and lower levels in the Red River Delta. The improved skills and knowledge will contribute to the long-term sustainable development and effective responses to climate change impacts in the region.

## EXPECTED RESULTS

By the end of the project, it is expected that 29,000 people will receive knowledge of climate change and response options, 27 institutions at provincial and district levels will improve their capacity, 500 youth will have opportunity to provide inputs for options to respond to climate change impacts and 200 people will increase their benefits derived from sustainable natural resource management and conservation.

*In the photo: Mangrove trees are grown in Nam Dinh province to stabilize the coastline and reduce erosion.*