

# Climate Literacy for All

CLIMATE'S BIG CHALLENGES FOR SMALL ISLANDS



## Duration

July 1 - August 11, 2025

## Beginner Level

No prerequisite

## 6 weeks

4 study hours a week

## Language

Captions: English

## Cost

US\$200 / JMD \$32,000



## COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course examines climate change through the lens of small island developing states (SIDS). SIDS are extremely vulnerable to the impacts of climate change despite being responsible for less than one percent of global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. This course introduces learners to key concepts, methodologies and approaches to promote climate action. The course draws on a variety of real-world examples to demonstrate the importance of pursuing both mitigation and adaptation solutions as a long-term strategy for meeting key Sustainable Development Goals within the context of SIDS.



## COURSE CONTENT

The course comprises the following modules:

- Module 1: Climate Change Science 101: Key Ideas for Small Islands
- Module 2: Will Small Islands Disappear? (Historical and Future Climate)
- Module 3: Why Are SIDS So Vulnerable? (Climate Change Impacts)
- Module 4: Do or Die? (Adaptation and Mitigation)
- Module 5: Whose Fault, Who Feels It and Who Pays?
- Module 6: Clearing Hurdle One – Climate Change Education



## OUTCOMES

After completing the course, you should be able to:

1. Explain the fundamentals of climate change science.
2. Explain the causes and effects of global warming and greenhouse gas emissions in SIDS.
3. Describe the consequences of climate change and the role of adaptation in reducing climate risks and impacts in SIDS.
4. Justify climate change mitigation and propose actions in key sectors for SIDS.
5. Explain key issues associated with international climate change policy and legal frameworks.
6. Analyze the principal challenges and opportunities for climate change action especially for SIDS.
7. Communicate about the climate crisis and the urgent need for climate action.



## TARGET AUDIENCE

- Anyone who is passionate about climate change and advocacy
- Anyone who wishes to become more involved in climate advocacy and education, especially in small island developing states (SIDS)
- Anyone working in the fields related to sustainable development, policy, environment or climate and those considering working in these fields.



## CERTIFICATE

Upon completion, you will receive recognition through a verified, easily shareable Certificate to highlight the knowledge and skills you have gained.

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