

KEY MESSAGES

Project Level



1. Involve local communities, relevant authorities, and scientific perspectives early to be actively involved in setting the right objectives to guide M&E frameworks
2. Train implementers on the concepts and methods underpinning adaptation M&E so they are equipped to carry out monitoring
3. In order to generate evidence and enhance ownership & learning M&E should focus on products (experiences & data), and process (interaction, coordination, and learning among different actors)
4. We should not develop new structures for M&E but instead use existing ones and adapt them to new situations
5. Knowledge management is key:
 - we should learn from development experience including failures
 - We should balance accountability and learning

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RECOMMENDATIONS

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1. Define clear and robust impact chains (including relevant assumptions)
2. Reflect on **how** outcomes were really achieved in addition to looking at the data
3. Project level M&E should be based on a national level M&E system that provides orientation and harmonises different donor projects
4. Evaluations should find a balance between external independent review and (to ensure accountability) and involvement from project team (to ensure learning)
5. Evaluate achievements of adaptation projects by comparing them to similar areas without a similar intervention

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