



September 22 Twitter Storm: #WBOutOfLDF!

Mechanics for Members and Allies

In response to the UNGA High Level Dialogue on Loss and Damage happening at the 2023 United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) and leading up to the 4th and last meeting of the Loss and Damage Fund Transitional Committee, we are calling all allied individuals and organizations to **join us in a Twitter Storm** (now referred to as X) against the US' recent proposal to make the Loss and Damage Fund a Financial Intermediary Fund (FIF) under the World Bank, along with other egregious proposals that allow governments of rich countries to evade their climate finance obligations, and delay urgently needed climate action.

Please join the Twitter Storm explained further below, and adopt the contents to your language and context.

Why we are taking action

During the last Loss and Damage Fund (LDF) Transitional Committee (TC) meeting held early this month, the United States (US) forwarded a number of proposals that are against the demands of the peoples and communities of the Global South around loss and damage, including the operationalization of the LDF. These proposals include:

1. The LDF serves as a financial intermediary fund (FIF) under the World Bank, which has a track record of financing over \$3.8bn worth of fossil fuel projects in 2022 and continues to spiral the Global South into more debts.
2. Instead of being an independent fund under the UNFCCC, the LDF abides by the business model of an MDB notorious for imposing loans and conditionalities to Global South countries;
3. The LDF will be governed by a Board that is mostly composed governments of rich countries, similar to the World Bank's governance structure; and
4. The LDF will course its finance through other multilateral development banks (MDBs) following the same profit-oriented operations.

Peoples and communities of the Global South have long been [campaigning](#) for an independent, democratically-governed, and non-debt-creating Loss and Damage Fund. If the US' proposal gets adopted, the Global South will further spiral down into more debts; governments of rich countries will continue earning profit from the climate crisis through "climate loans"; and the LDF will just be another fund that does not respond to the growing financial needs of the peoples and communities of the Global South.

We cannot allow the US, through the World Bank, to take over the Loss and Damage Fund!

Topline Messages

Calls and Demands

Primary	World Bank, Out of Loss and Damage Fund!
Secondary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate, Non-Debt-Creating, Predictable, and Unconditional Climate Finance Now! • Reparations for Climate Debt Now! • No To False Financing Solutions! • No to MDBs, Corporations, and Carbon Markets as source and delivery partners for climate finance! • Non-Debt-Creating and Responsive Loss and Damage Finance Now!

How to join the Twitter Storm

During the UNGA High Level Dialogue on Loss and Damage happening on September 22, we will hold the **#WBOutOfLDF Twitter Storm** (now referred to as X) to amplify our call rejecting the US' proposal of having the Loss and Damage Fund under the World Bank. It will be held on **September 22, 2023 (Friday)**, at these times:

9 PM Tokyo/Seoul	4:00 PM Dubai	8:00 AM NYC/DC/La Paz
8 PM Manila/Kuala Lumpur	2:00 PM South Africa/Berlin/Paris	7:00 AM Bogota
7 PM Bangkok/Jakarta	1:00 PM UK	6:00 AM San Salvador
5:30 PM Delhi	9:00 AM Sao Paulo	

To join, kindly follow the steps below:

STEP 1 | Tweet the photo below (downloadable at bit.ly/ldfts).





STEP 2 | Feel free to use any of the below sample post as the caption, or provide your own post with the hashtag #WBOutOfLDF!

! The US has proposed that the #LossAndDamageFund be under the @WorldBank.

But in 2022, WB put \$3.7 BILLION into oil & gas trade finance alone. Since 2015, it has given \$15 BILLION to fossil fuels.

A WB-led LDF will mean more money for polluters, not people.

#WBOutOfLDF!

The @WorldBank funds BILLIONS of fossil fuel projects that have:

- 👉 destroyed homes
- 👉 displaced people
- 👉 disrupted livelihoods

Now it wants to control the #LossAndDamageFund meant to compensate communities for these impacts?

Say NO to WB in LDF!

#WBOutOfLDF!

The US says that the World Bank should control the #LossAndDamageFund.

WE SAY NO! 🚫 The WB:

- 👉 funds fossil fuel projects
- 👉 plunges nations into debt
- 👉 limits people's participation

A WB-led LDF will mean more GHG emissions, poverty, & people's exclusion.

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What communities demanded: An independent and democratic fund to help vulnerable nations address climate-related losses and damages ✅

What the US proposed: A World Bank-led Loss & Damage Fund which will be profit-oriented, debt-creating, & inaccessible 🙄

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STEP 3 | As a reply/part of your posts, it is also highly encouraged to **add these hashtags and tag these Twitter/X accounts** for maximum and directed reach:

#GrantsNotLoans

#LossAndDamageFundNOW

#ClimateFinanceNOW

#ReparationsForClimateDebt

#UNGA #UNCAS

@AsianPeoplesMvt

@UNFCCC

@POTUS

@ClimateEnvoy

@AGNChairUNFCCC

@AntonioGuterres

@USGOV

@LDCCChairUNFCCC

STEP 4 | Publish as many **#WBOutOfLDF** posts as you can, and encourage others, particularly local activists and allies, to do the same.

STEP 5 | Share or repost other **#WBOutOfLDF** posts in order to amplify the call.

Contact Information

For any concerns, inquiries, partnerships and/or suggestions, you may contact APMDD through the following:

APMDD Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/apmdd>

APMDD Twitter/X Page: <https://www.twitter.com/AsianPeoplesMvt>