Active Citizens Climate Change Social Action Projects:

Youth Engagement COP26: Challenge Funds for Young People Application Form

**Please e‑mail this application form to Please submit duly filled application form to** [**Society.Bangladesh@bd.britishcouncil.org**](mailto:Society.Bangladesh@bd.britishcouncil.org) **by 30 January 2021, 11:59pm Bangladesh local time. Please mention in title “COP26 – Youth Engagement Challenge Fund”.**

**Context:**

The 26th United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP26) takes place in Glasgow on 1 – 12 November 2021. Hosted by the UK, this international climate change summit will bring together over 30,000 delegates, including heads of states, climate experts and campaigners to agree coordinated action to tackle climate change.

The British Council is working with partners worldwide to support the success and legacy of COP26 by creating opportunities for cooperation, dialogue and action in arts, education and science that address the shared challenges of climate change. There will be an innovative and creative programme of activity and engagement which includes bringing together young Active Citizens from around the world to share learning, engage in advocacy and build networks.

Through the Youth Engagement COP26: Challenge Funds for Young People, the [Active Citizens Programme](https://active-citizens.britishcouncil.org/) will support environmental/climate change Social Action Projects which focus on the COP26 priority areas:

1. **Adaptation and resilience.** ‘Helping people, economies and the environment adapt and prepare for the impacts of climate change.’
2. **Nature.** ‘Safeguarding ecosystems, protecting natural habitats and keeping carbon out of the atmosphere.’

**Criteria:**

Please see Annex I for details of selection criteria, your proposed project should cover all.

**Supporting documents:**

Please attach the following with your application:

* Active Citizens programme certificate of all project team members (if there are new non-AC participants please mention in submission email)
* References and contact information (at least two professional references are required)

**Part 1: Applicant Information**

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| Name of partner organisation:  (attended AC with) |  |
| Name of Applicant: |  |
| National ID card number: |  |
| Please provide a brief description of your AC journey and present work: |  |
| Contact email: |  |
| Contact phone number: |  |
| City: |  |
| Name of initiative/project: |  |
| Number of team members involved (if applicable): |  |
| COP26 thematic area (please choose from the two listed above): |  |
| (If existing project) Start date of initiative: |  |
| (If new project) Expected start date of initiative: |  |
| Amount of seed funding applied for *Maximum grant offer:*  *BDT 100,000 to 300,000* |  |
| Name of British Council country manager (if known): |  |

\*Please note that if the project is successful, the grant will be processed in two instalments. The first instalment of 90% of the grant will be processed upon approval and official sign-off by the Active Citizens/COP26 Team. The final instalment of 10% of the grant will be processed upon completion of all monitoring and evaluation requirements.

# Part 2: Social Action Project Information

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| What we are asking you to do |
| Please tick the box to confirm if your project is existing or new: Existing  New: |
| We would like to hear about what you are doing to tackle climate change or environmental issues, and how it is making a difference in your community (in 200 words).  *Here are a few ideas of what to include in your response; please note these are only suggestions.*   * **What does the initiative/project involve?** (*What issue is the project tackling? Where does the project take place? How long has it been running?)* * **Who is involved?** (Who does the project target? *Who are the main contributors? Number of participants involved?)* * **What is the impact?** (*What success have you had? Who is benefitting from the project? How is it changing people and communities?)* * **What next?** *(How are the contributors going to build on the project’s success? How is the project sustainable?)* |
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| **Please describe your initiative/project (maximum 200 words). This should be typed.** |
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**Part 3: Seed Funding Proposal**

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| **2.2 Please describe how the seed funding will support the intended outcomes of your project, including sustainability. (Maximum 300 words)** |
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**Part 4: Budget Breakdown**

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| **Please include a breakdown of your proposed budget (this could include costs from the Partner to support project mentoring) and expected timescale/milestones. (Maximum 200 words)** |
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Your projects may be promoted through the Active Citizens website, Facebook and Twitter channels or publication and British Council platforms. <https://active-citizens.britishcouncil.org/>

<https://www.facebook.com/activecitizens/>

<https://twitter.com/ActiveCitizens>

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| Name | Date |
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| Signature (**written by hand if possible**) |
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**Annex I – Social Action Project Criteria**

1. **(MANDATORY) The project proposal should address one of the two priority areas:**
2. **Adaptation and resilience.** ‘Helping people, economies and the environment adapt and prepare for the impacts of climate change.’
3. **Nature.** ‘Safeguarding ecosystems, protecting natural habitats and keeping carbon out of the atmosphere.’
4. **(MANDATORY) Projects should be:**

* Feasible
* Socially impacting
* Sustainable
* Collaborative
* Innovative
* Needs-based
* Measurable
* Well organised
* Community involving
* Dialogue based

1. **(OPTIONAL) Projects should use at least one digital tool to engage/mobilise communities/beneficiaries.**