Scaling Global South Climate Solutions | Corp Climate Literacy Fellowship - Abuja, Nigeria





A youth-led fellowship equipping Nigerian young people with climate literacy and skills to drive community climate action.

Challenge

Nigeria faces a growing climate literacy and action gap among young people, despite youth under 30 making up over 70% of the population. With climate-related disasters increasingly disrupting communities, livelihoods and education, young people need the knowledge and skills to understand climate risks and lead local solutions. Yet, limited access to climate education, practical experience and funding leaves many unable to translate awareness into action.

Addressing this gap is urgent because Nigeria's young population will shape the country's climate resilience and green economy for decades to come.

Solution

The Corp Climate Literacy Fellowship uses a train-the-trainer model to equip young Nigerians with climate knowledge, project-management and safeguarding skills. Fellows receive practical training, then design and implement community climate-action projects in schools and communities.

The model combines climate education, peer learning and hands-on action, making it practical, youth-led and scalable through Nigeria's existing National Youth Service system.

Project Phases:

- Phase 1: Partner with NGO to use flashcards and organise physical workshop
- Phase 2: One month virtual training of fellows on project management and climate change
- Phase 3: Capstone implementation
- Phase 4: Monitoring, evaluation, learning and closure

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Impact

From December 2025 to January 2026, the first Corp Climate Literacy Fellowship cohort demonstrated measurable early results:

- 14 young people (18–26 years)trained through a train-the-trainer programme, one-month project-management course, UNICEF safeguarding training and two live climate-action sessions; 80% were female.
- Fellows implemented 11 community climate-action capstone projects, achieving a 70% overall success rate.
- 635 children and young people were reached through step-down climate education in schools, churches, an Islamic school and an orphanage.
- Fellows have continued collaborating on additional climate advocacy initiatives atier completing the fellowship, demonstrating sustained engagement beyond the programme.
- The programme partnered with Brain Builders Youth Development Initiative (BBYDI) to use its Climate Champs flashcards for climate education and community action.

Partners

- SOS Children's Villages Nigeria-Funding partner
- Brain Builders Youth Development Initiative-Implementing Partner

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