

Adaptation to Climate Change: The Next Development Challenge

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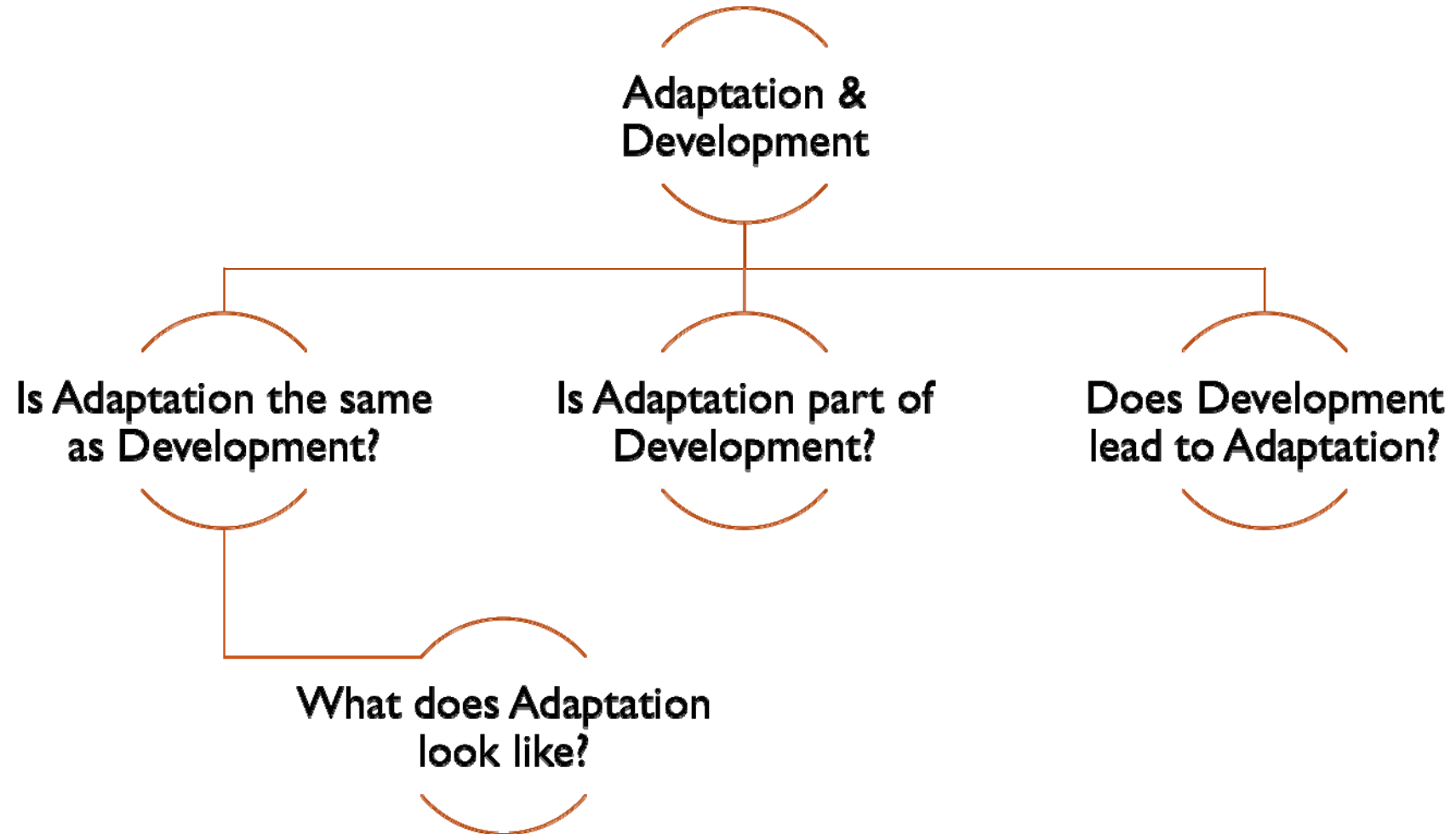
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The Big Question:

**What is the Relationship between
Adaptation and Development?**

The Question Chain



What is Adaptation?

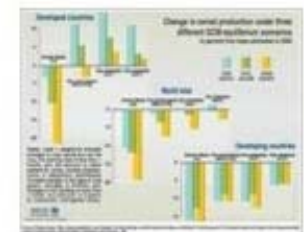
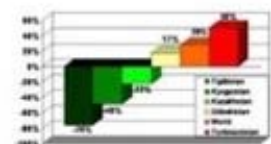
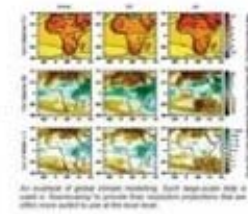
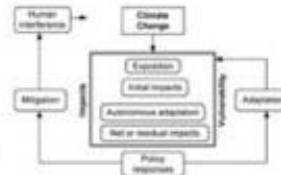
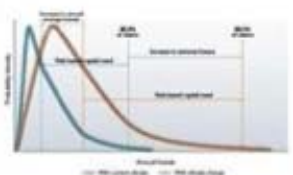
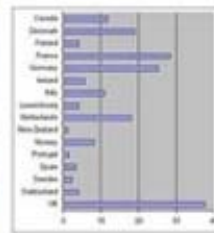
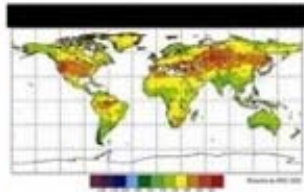
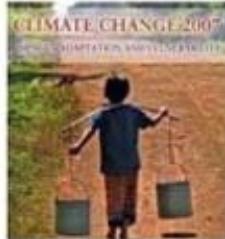
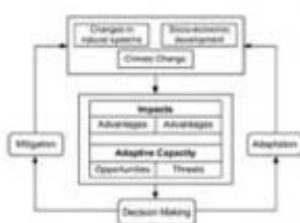
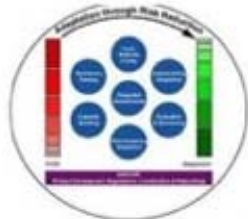
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Do we have Examples of Adaptation?

- We have examples of:
 - People reacting to hazards, change and stress
 - People responding well
 - People responding badly
 - People coping with difficult situations, chronic, new or historical
 - People reacting and adapting to changes in their daily lives
 - ...But do we have examples of people adapting to climate change?

Adaptation : Development

- Adaptation Same As Development?
- Adaptation Part of Development?
- Adaptation Leads to Development?

-any Development?

A Challenge for Development

- Don't fight about definitions, consider what we are trying to achieve with adaptation 'actions': long-term adjustments? sustainable development? short-term survival?
- Examine assumptions about development & adaptation - if *development* does not address the underlying drivers of vulnerability, makes them worse or introduces new drivers, it cannot lead to adaptation
- *What is transformation?* Can we achieve this?
- What changes are required in our approach to

A Challenge for Research

- Examine the concept of what adaptation looks like: adaptation as a moving target
- Explore efforts to 'measure' adaptation
- Identify what it is that we are seeing
- Come up with an example of adaptation...can adaptation actually be operationalised?

