**Stories of Change Worksheet**  
Share your Poverty-Environment Initiative Success Story!

Turn your successes and good practices into a reading document so others can reflect and learn from your results!

Thank you for choosing to share your story!

This worksheet contains guide questions that will help you organize the information you need for your story. Your story should be concise and should emphasize the change strategies you are implementing that are making transformative change in your community and in the well-being of the poor and vulnerable people.

**You can share your story if you are a:**

* National government agency
* Local government unit
* Non-government institution / Civil society organization
* Private sector / business
* Local community

**And you have good practices / initiatives on the following areas to achieve transformative change:**

* Poverty reduction and achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)
* Environment and natural resource management
* Responsible mining and other resource extractive operations
* Renewable energies and other clean development mechanisms

Some Writing Tips!

* Use active voice.
* Use short, complete sentence.
* Be concise.
* Use simple words.
* Avoid jargon.
* Give significant and compelling facts.
* Utilization of assets and revenues from natural wealth for sustained inclusive economic growth
* Transparency and accountability in extractive industries
* Others

**Please provide us with your basic information:**

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**Type of Organization:***Choose One: Government, Non-Government Organization, Business, CSO/NGO, Other*

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**What** is Your Story all about (the change you are trying to implement; who participates and benefits the most, etc.)? Keep your answer short.

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**Guide Questions:**

*Your story should contain the following:*

* **Title *(A short, catchy title that goes with your story)***
* **Challenge / Issue *(Describe the issue and clearly present the problem)***

*What are the challenges / issues facing your community?*

*How do the challenges / issues affect your community?*

* **Actions / Response *(Describe the innovative way/s in addressing your challenge)***

*How do you address the challenge?*

*Who participates? What organizations help to achieve your success?*

*Who and how many were reached?*

*Were there any barriers in implementing the response to your challenges? How did you overcome them?*

* **Results / Observed Impacts *(Describe the results valued by the stakeholders/beneficiaries. As much as possible, indicate quantifiable impacts using facts and data)***

*What are the positive results brought to the community? Please be specific, include statistics and concrete examples. Use a testimonial from a beneficiary.*

*How this change contributed to the transformation of the community and resolved the problem at hand?*

* **Future Directions *(Conclude on how your initiatives/ actions will be scaled-up/ institutionalized)***

*What are the goals of your initiative?*

*How are you going to achieve those goals (i.e. strengthening partnerships, etc.)?*

***Important!***

*Please include testimonials of the beneficiaries in your story; statistics and facts. Make sure to include a high-resolution picture with caption and credit for your story. You may also send us a request to visit your community / organization to document your initiative/s.*

**Paste here or write Your Story**

**ISSUES → ACTIONS → IMPACTS → FUTURE DIRECTIONS**

**Ideal Total Word Count: 600 – 800 words**