Dear colleagues,

LDC Watch, in collaboration with the South Asia Alliance for Poverty Eradication (SAAPE), Equity BD, Jubilee South Asia Pacific Movement on Debt and Development (JS APMDD) and Rural Reconstruction Nepal (RRN), is organizing a roundtable “Impact of climate change on the lives & livelihoods of the people in the Least Developed Countries: People testifying themselves" at the Onkel Dannys Plads, Room Yellow, Klimaforum09 on Monday 14 December at 10h00-12h00.

The 49 Least Developed Countries (LDCs) are the least responsible for the rising global greenhouse gas emissions yet most affected by the ensuing climate change catastrophe; in certain cases, even becoming a survival issue for the LDCs. The lives and livelihoods of around 785 million people residing in the LDCs are already at stake, further perpetuating poverty, injustice and social unrest in these countries. LDCs, therefore, require special attention and agenda of action from the international community at the COP15 and should NOT get sidelined by the dominant interests of the developed and developing countries. LDCs deserve and demand climate justice!

It is in this context, I request your participation and solidarity in the aforementioned roundtable where in particular, people will voice their issues and concerns that have been brought about and/or made worse by climate change, in their lives and livelihoods. For information, I have enclosed herewith, the programme of the roundtable.

I look forward to receiving your positive response and seeing you in Copenhagen.

Yours sincerely,

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On behalf of LDC Watch, SAAPE, Equity BD, JS APMDD and RRN