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TIF Talkies: Aditya Pillai discusses the importance of building robust climate institutions in India

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Welcome to TIF Talkies, a new audio initiative of The India Forum, where we hope to disengage from the ever-flowing torrent of the newscycle and follow up on contemporary events with a whole lot of questions— both big and small.

For the second season of TIF Talkies, we'll be engaging with the themes, discussions and questions raised by the recently concluded COP 26 in Glasgow. These will include India's climate policy, targets, and institutions, climate financing, and the nation's disaster preparedness.

In the first episode of the season, Professor Navroz Dubash discusses India's pledges (and their feasibility) at the COP 26. Prof Navroz Dubash is associated with the Centre for Policy Research, where he conducts research and writes widely on climate change, energy, and policy regulation. He is also a Coordinating Lead Author for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (Sixth Assessment), and is the editor of a recent book titled 'India in A Warming World'.

In the second episode we'll be discussing a crucial component of climate action and one that was kept at the centre of the recently concluded COP 26: climate financing. For this, we're joined by Prof T Jayaraman who is the Senior Fellow for Climate Change at the M. S. Swaminathan Research Foundation. He was previously affiliated with Tata Institute of Social Sciences and has written widely on climate policy, finance and environment.

In the third episode we discuss a component of climate action that was particularly highlighted at the COP 26, that is, the importance of traditional/local knowledge in meeting and forming climate goals. For this, we're joined by Dr Deepti Chatti who is Assistant Professor of Environmental Justice at the Humboldt State University in California. Dr Chatti has researched and written widely on political ecology, development studies, and environmental justice.

At COP 26, India announced five promises to work towards a greener future. But there remains some confusion as to how these will actually be achieved. In the fourth and concluding episode for season 2, we're joined by Aditya Pillai who speaks about climate institutions in India and their importance in discussions on climate action. Aditya Pillai is an associate fellow at the Initiative for Climate, Energy and Environment at the Centre for Policy Research in New Delhi.

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