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- Merely having responsibility mechanisms may not be enough to create the depth of change needed, or deal with the specific needs of those most impacted by the injustices created
- Many transitional justice approaches have included:
  - institutional shifts
  - various forms of support directed towards those most impacted (to address actual losses)
  - Symbolic and discursive efforts to shift deeply held cultural values or narratives

# Range of Support and Institutional Change Mechanisms

<b>Individual or Collective Supports to Those Most Impacted</b>	<b>Institutional Changes</b>	<b>Cultural Efforts</b>
<p>Either individuals or entire communities receive targeted supports. These can be financial or in the form of particular services (education; health etc)</p> <p>Payments typically less than actual losses but aimed at repairing harm</p>	<p>Large-scale institutional shifts implemented to change root justification for initial problems and to direct change.</p> <p>Can be nation –wide (i.e. a new constitution) or embedded within sectors (i.e. particular requirements for investments; policy reform within a ministry)</p>	<p>Projects that focus on long term cultural change designed to enable avoidance of further injustices</p> <p>Can include memory projects; education and curricula changes; public apologies</p>

# Logics for Change and Support

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<p>Moral call to compensate or assist those who have been most negatively impacted</p> <p>Collective supports may seem preferable if individual victims cannot be identified; if wellbeing is seen as collectively generated; if individual costs would be unmanageably expensive</p>	<p>Changing underlying structures is seen as essential for demonstrating genuine commitment to 'change'</p> <p>Key challenge is identifying WHICH institutions were problematic, and which ones (and how) they should be altered</p>	<p>Long-term mutual recognition, cooperation and solidarity requires cultural and social change.</p> <p>Symbolic efforts can be very important, but if ONLY symbolic could lead to deeper tensions and anger</p>

# Possible Climate Applications?

<b>Individual or Collective Supports to Those Most Impacted</b>	<b>Institutional Changes</b>	<b>Cultural Efforts</b>
<p>Individual compensation hard to apply in the climate context (except possibly through some human rights law)</p> <p>Collective supports could be developed: e.g. bottom-up needs-based loss and damage support; continued adaptation support targeted to least well-off/most impacted</p>	<p>Range of possible changes, depending on analyses of which institutions/systems are most responsible for injustice or have greatest leverage for supporting change</p> <p>Could include: shifts in how technology support is provided; debt relief; procedural justice dimensions for multi-scalar mechanisms; increased attention to capacity building</p>	<p>Greater country commitments/action under Article 6 of UNFCCC</p> <p>Formal apologies</p> <p>Memorialization projects</p>