

Kiribati - What Do You Do When Your Country Disappears?

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The pacific island nation of Kiribati is well aware of the looming threats that climate change poses to the small atoll. Increased flooding from storms and rising seas are already problematic for the 100,00 citizens of the nation, or i-Kiribati as they call themselves. A sea-wall improvement project for the country recently cost \$2 million, President Anote Tong said at the Cancun climate summit this week.

The nation's GDP is just \$152 million a year—meaning the investment in sea walls is significant for the country. "If we had to cover the whole country, we're talking hundreds of millions of dollars," said Tong. The republic is made up of 32 atolls and one island, spread over 1.3 million square miles—roughly the size of the United States. Tong has said previously that the government is already considering evacuation plans as another way to deal with the rising seas, which would also come at great cost. (...)

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