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U.S. Action Plan on Global Water Security

Sustainable access to safe water

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USPA NEWS - Water is the source of life, and it nurtures and sustains livelihoods and civilizations. Secure and sustainable access to safe water is an essential element of national security, and the Department of State is working together with our partners and allies to facilitate water cooperation and engagement on water management across our development programming and diplomatic efforts.

Secure and sustainable access to safe water is fundamental to human well-being and central to international peace and national security. When water is scarce, it becomes more difficult for communities to produce food, to prevent the spread of disease and protect public health, and to drive economic growth. Water stress contributes to regional instability, drives mass migration, and can lead to broader conflict.

Vice President Harris launched the White House Action Plan on Global Water Security, a landmark whole-of-government effort to achieve a water-secure world. The plan covers the full spectrum of global water issues and advances United States leadership on water security.

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As the Vice President said, water scarcity is a global problem, and the State Department, together with our partners, will work to help achieve a global solution.

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