

The UN climate talks in Durban have kicked off amid an atmosphere of distrust between countries at odds over carbon emission cuts, and worries that the Kyoto Protocol would "die on African soil".

In a speech to the 194-nation forum of the Conference of the Parties 17 (COP17) on Monday morning, President Jacob Zuma pointed to a series of disasters in the country as a sign of the impact of climate change. [Read more](#) . Source: Mail and Guardian (RSA).