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**Senator Chisholm, Anthony asked:**

What are the priorities of the Facility?

**Answer:**

The priorities for the Government's funding of the National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility are:

- Developing 'CoastAdapt', an online tool to help decision-makers understand and manage climate change risks in the coastal zone.
- Summarising and disseminating research outcomes in a way that is accessible to policy makers.
- Operating four adaptation research networks in natural ecosystems; settlements and infrastructure; the social, economic and institutional dimensions of climate adaptation; and vulnerable communities.
- Updating each of the national adaptation research plans on ecosystems, infrastructure, and social, economic and institutional dimensions. The plans help ensure research efforts in these fields address identified information gaps.