

A woman with short dark hair, wearing a bright green polo shirt and a long skirt with a bold black, red, and white pattern, is walking towards the camera. She is carrying a large blue plastic bag filled with red tomatoes. In the background, there is a small blue building with a corrugated metal roof and an open doorway. The ground is dry and sandy, and there are some trees and bushes in the distance under a clear blue sky. A large, thick yellow curved line is drawn across the image, passing behind the woman and the text boxes.

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Overview

- Zimbabwe (Jenny)
- Yemen (Phil)
- India (Steph)
- Q&A

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Housekeeping

- This webinar is being recorded.
- Slides + recording will be emailed to you afterwards.
- If you're comfortable turning your camera on, it's great to see your faces – but feel free to leave it off if you prefer.
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Zimbabwe: Rural women learning to lead

HEFO's Community Livelihoods Resilience Project





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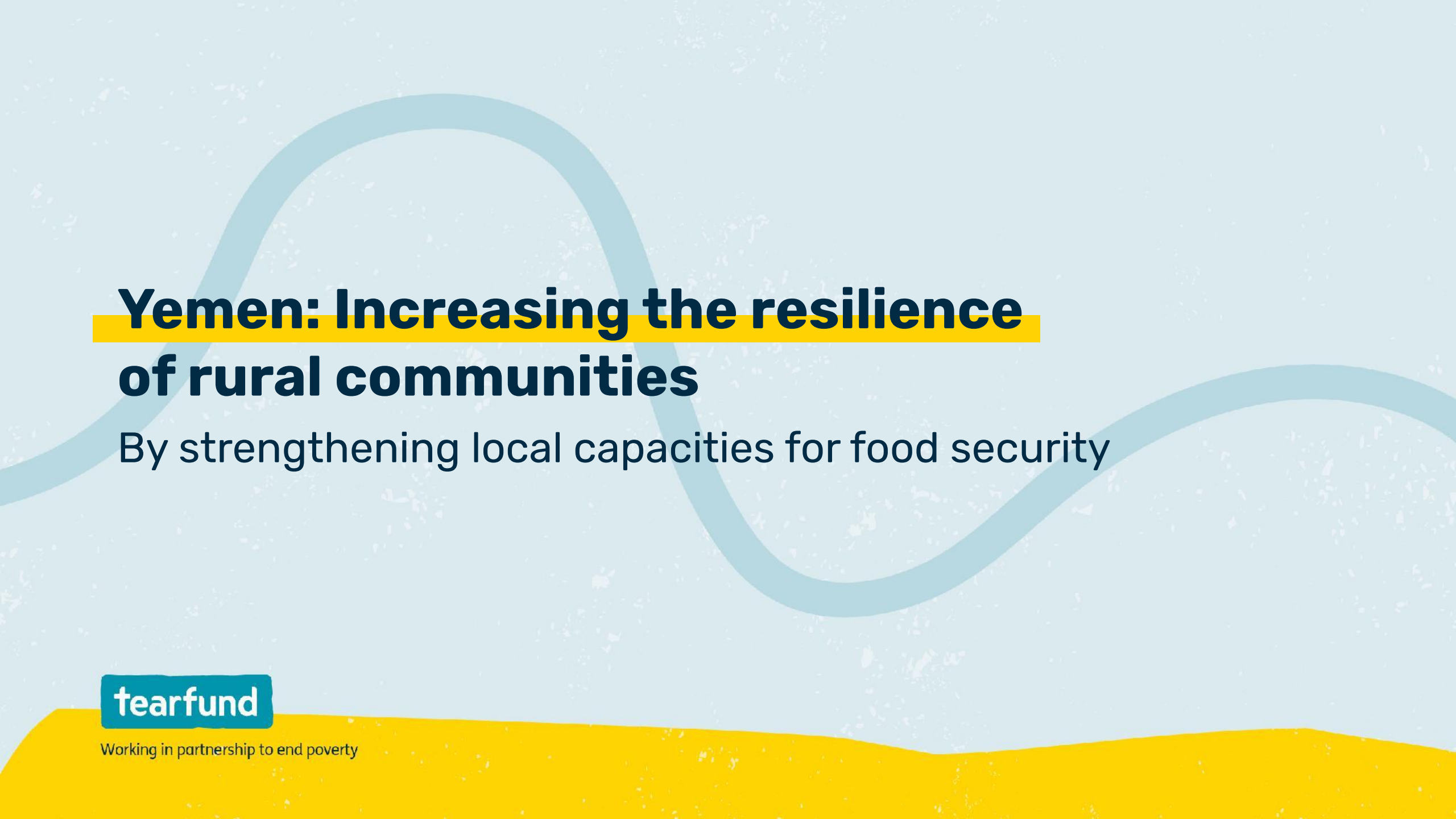
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Yemen: Increasing the resilience of rural communities

By strengthening local capacities for food security

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Yemen

Ibb Governorate

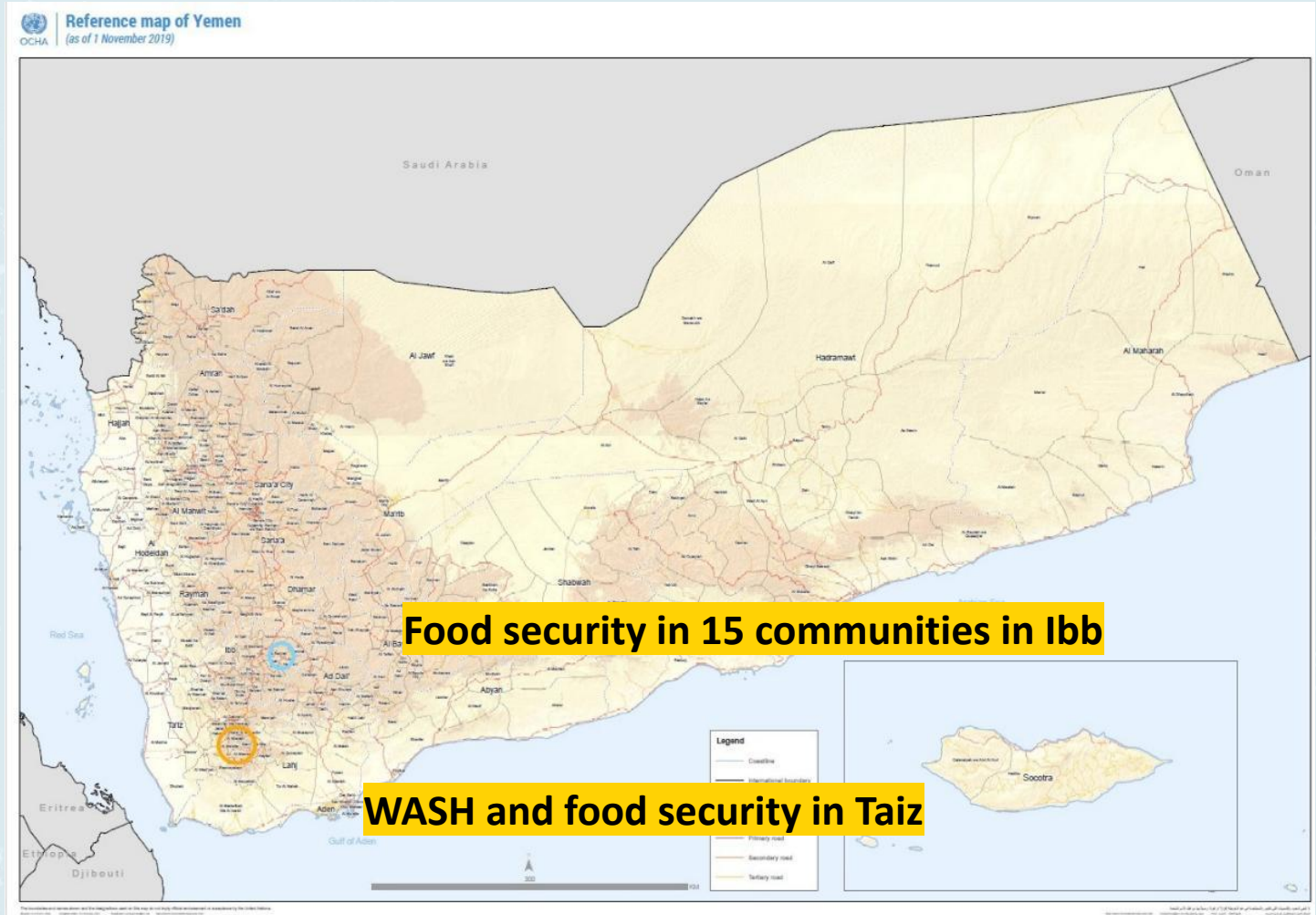
Context

22 million requiring
humanitarian assistance

5.2 million internally
displaced

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Food security in Ibb

End of project evaluation

Average household income – change per activity

	Agriculture	Poultry	All sampled HH
Baseline	182,000 YER	159,000 YER	166,000 YER
End of project	363,500 YER	238,000 YER	279,200 YER
Change	99.7%	49.7%	68.2%

Agriculture

- Cereals
- Vegetables
- Legumes
- fruit

Poultry farming led
to other livestock

Over the life of the project, the average annual income of families improved, rising from \$325.22 to \$692.3.

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(n = 90HH out of 420 in the project)

Food security in Ibb

End of project evaluation – other notable changes

Food consumption score – number of times a family consumes 8 main food groups over the previous week determines the quality of their diet

% of households in each food consumption category	Poor	Borderline	Acceptable
Baseline	44%	21%	35%
End of project	0%	6.7%	93.3%

At the beginning of the project 97.7% of families had been worried about running out of food. At the project's end, that had dropped to 33.3%

So.... better food and more of it.

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Future work

WASH and food security 2026-2029

WASH

- 5,550 people in 15 communities
- 12 communities with functioning safe water supplies within 500m (currently 94.3% use unsafe water)

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Future work

WASH and food security 2026-2029

WASH

- 5350 households connected to functioning sewerage system
- 15 water committees
- Combined with education and awareness raising about hygiene, including menstrual hygiene.

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Future work

WASH and food security 2026-2029

Food Security

- 6,930 people (990 households) in 5 rural communities experiencing emergency phase food security (IPC4)
- 115 HH implementing goat, grain and vegetable production through agricultural training and revolving contribution through 15 farmers' groups



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Future work

WASH and food security 2026-2029

Food Security

- Nutrition training to eliminate child malnutrition by the end of 2028 (currently 91% under-nutrition)
- 5 seed banks
- Erosion protection and prevention of landslides and flooding





Kalyanpur, India

**Disaster risk management and
resilience project**

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Context

- World's largest population
- Huge numbers of both rich and poor

Bihar state:

- Population > 130 million
- 80% of population employed in agriculture
- Many from Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe communities

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- Tearfund's first partner
- Projects across India
- Emergency, training, development

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Kalyanpur

Samastipur District

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Significant issues

- Flood prone
- Poverty and food insecurity
- Low literacy, high dropout rates for school children
- Entrenched caste system
- Risk of trafficking and bonded labour
- Gender inequality
- Low uptake of government supports

Aims of the project

Overall goal

- Safer and more resilient communities

Main objectives

- Disaster preparedness
- Climate-friendly agriculture and improved livelihoods
- Formation and strengthening of groups
- Connecting with government departments

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Disaster preparedness

- Disaster Management Committees (DMC)
- Group savings
- Rescue techniques
- Contingency plans (food storage, raised platforms)
- Raised tube wells for year-round drinking water
- Boats for access and rescue

Climate friendly agriculture and improved livelihoods

- Climate-smart crop seeds
- New techniques, e.g. multi-cropping, organic fertilisers
- Small business support
- Self-help groups – savings and loans
- Child Parliaments rallied against single-use plastic and planted 865 trees (mostly fruit trees)

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Formation and strengthening of groups

- Disaster Management Committees
- Task Force Groups
- Self-help groups
- Child Parliaments



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Connecting with government departments

- Training on available supports
- Training on RTI (to follow up applications)
- Coordinated meetings to develop independence

Outcomes

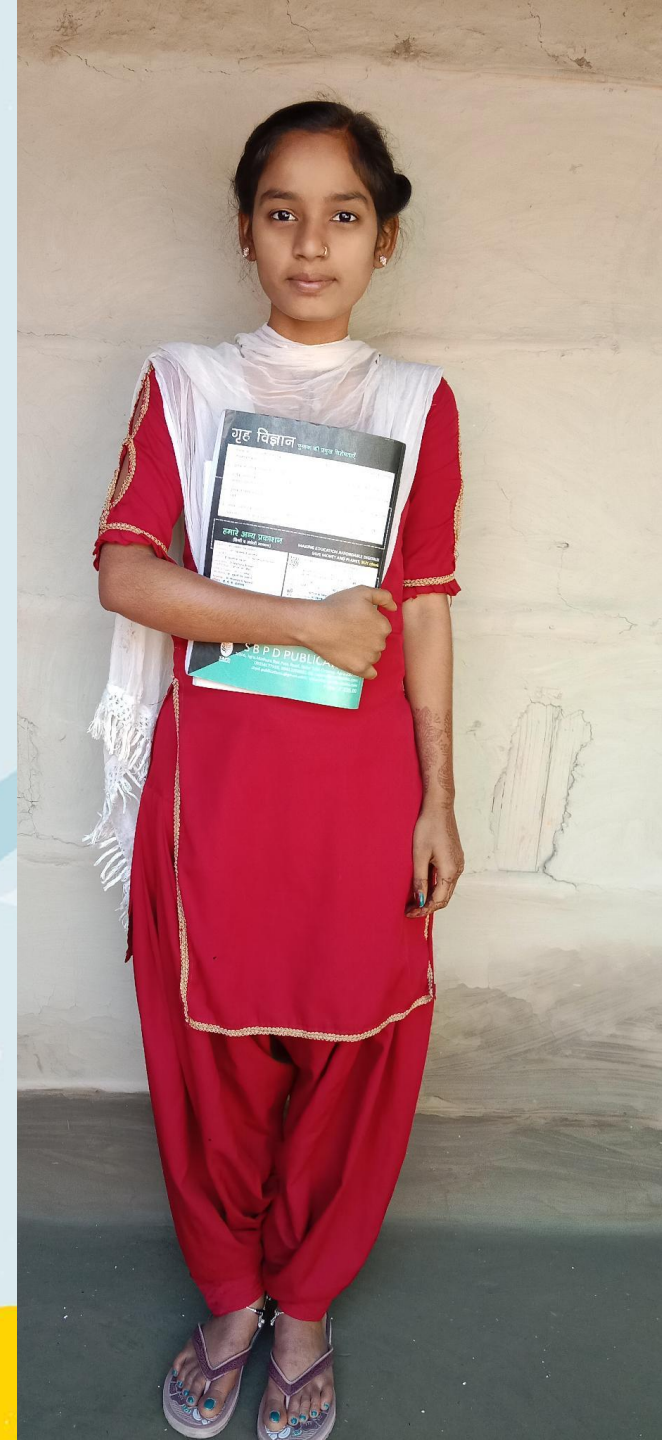
- Communities know how to prepare and act in disaster
- Higher crop yields (some doubled with multi-cropping)
- More sustainable livelihoods
- 40% of families accessing government supports (previously 7%)
- Child parliaments support school attendance

Child parliaments

- Encourage school attendance
- Teach child rights
- Promote health, hygiene, sustainability

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Child parliaments

Pratibha – Prime Minister (right)

- Started a fund to support poorer children to purchase school supplies

Neelam – wasn't interested in school, didn't go much

- Learned about her rights and the value of education
- Voiced concerns of local children to local government representative

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Child parliaments

// Standing before the (officer) and speaking for my peers was a moment of pride—not just for me, but for my family and my entire village. I realised that my voice could bring change.

(Neelam, 10 years old)

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Prayer points

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Zimbabwe: Prayer Points

- A lot of the same ones we experience – everything getting more expensive, fuel harder to access
- Currency is an ongoing issue in Zim with the local currency often not used because the tendency for its value to change a lot from day to day.
- Good progress including youth, women and people with disabilities and giving them opportunities to lead and grow, but still many barriers
- Pray for the team – Anania, Patience, Paul, Lizwe and Nqo.

Yemen: Prayer Points

- Pray for the new project, for the critical stage of community engagement in the planning and encouraging ownership.
- Pray for ongoing access to the communities in a tense environment within Yemen and the region, and ultimately that peace will rule.
- Pray for the staff of both TF Germany, based in Jordan, and the NGO staff (Yemeni), for their safety, for relationship building, and for encouragement in a challenging context.

India: Prayer Points

- Pray for protection from possible flooding during the monsoon season and for the safety of the Kalyanpur community
- Pray for continued community participation and strong cooperation from government departments.
- Pray for the Kalyanpur Project team and their families, especially as access to church fellowship requires long travel.
- Pray for God's provision as rising living costs make it increasingly difficult to support our families.

India: Praise Points

- 20 Village Disaster Management Committees (DMC) are actively supporting widows, people with disabilities, and vulnerable families. Through their efforts, 4 widows, 2 people with disabilities, and 5 elderly people received pensions, and 1 person with a disability received a bicycle.
- 15 Village DMCs contributed ₹1,44,600 to the DRR Fund for emergency response and support to vulnerable families.
- This year, 22 people received assistance from the DRR Fund for marriage and medical expenses.

Questions?

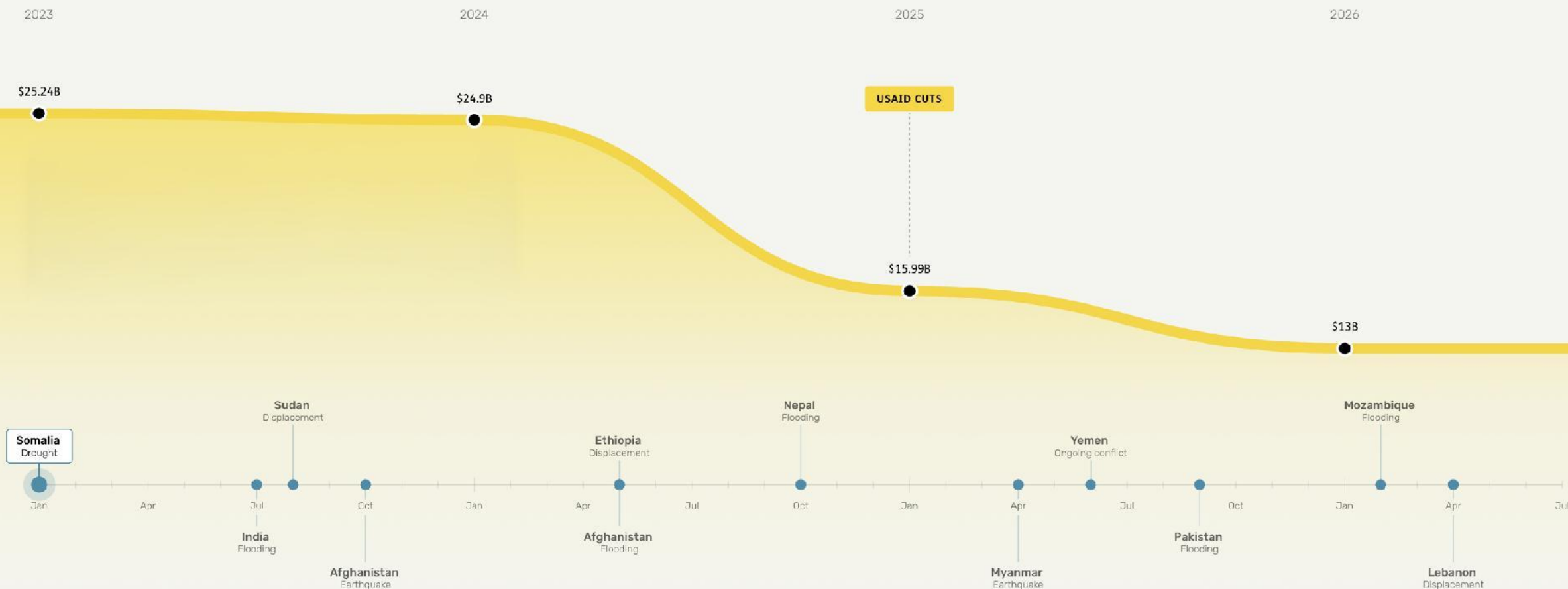
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While need is rising, global support is falling



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The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed... Though it is the smallest of all seeds, yet when it grows, it is the largest of garden plants and becomes a tree.

– Matthew 13:31-32

Change starts here – in the small, faithful seeds of generosity, justice and faith in action. Together, our seeds of change grow to shape a more just and compassionate world.

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Change multiplies through people like you

We've set an
ambitious goal to reach
\$3 million
by June 30

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