



Support for agricultural micro-enterprises and integration in value chains to increase food security in Pakistan

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KEY CHALLENGES & PROBLEMS

Rice, Fisheries & Livestock Systems (Sindh, Pakistan)

- Recurrent floods, droughts, salinity & heat stress
- Smallholders dependent on climate-sensitive sectors
- High post-harvest losses & production mortality
- Weak bargaining power; dependency on middlemen
- Limited access to finance & formal markets
- Women & youth disproportionately excluded
- Traditional projects focus on productivity, not resilience

Core Problem: Livelihood vulnerability + weak market systems = chronic poverty & climate fragility.



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OUR SOLUTION: COOPERATIVE VALUE-CHAIN RESILIENCE MODEL

Supported by **Welthungerhilfe (WHH)**

Districts: Thatta & Tharparkar | 4,500 Smallholders | 450 Villages

Three-Tier Resilience Architecture

1-Farmer Enterprise Groups (FEGs)

- Climate-smart production (rice, fisheries, livestock)
- Risk reduction practices
- Women & youth inclusion

2-Farmer Market Collectives (FMCs)

- Aggregation & collective marketing
- Reduced middlemen dependency
- Improved price realization

3-Value Chain Associations (VCAs)

- Linkages with buyers, finance, government
- Trade fairs & buyer-seller platforms
- Institutional coordination

Key Innovation: Resilience is built vertically — from household → collective → system.

SUSTAINABILITY, KEY MESSAGES & RECOMMENDATIONS

Sustainability Mechanisms

- Farmer-managed institutions (FEGs, FMCs, VCAs)
- Collective asset ownership
- Structured market networks
- Strong buyer & financial linkages
- Women in leadership roles
- Reduced dependency on project support

Key Messages for CRPP

- Livelihood resilience must integrate climate risk into value chains
- Social capital is climate capital
- Market power is climate resilience
- Women's economic inclusion multiplies resilience
- Systems change enables scale

Recommendation: Climate finance & policy must support cooperative, market-based resilience models — not isolated productivity projects



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