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Livelihoods and Health in Action – Strategic Objectives

- Nutritional status of children under 5 years of age and pregnant and lactating women improved
- **Access to food by vulnerable households increased**
- **Vulnerability to food security shocks reduced**
- Cross Cutting: Status of women within target households and communities improved



World Vision Extension Practices in Niger

- **Lead Farmer Model**
- Strengthening market linkages for entrepreneurial local individuals to deliver agricultural services and enhance productivity through implementation of the **Village Agent Model**
- Provide the field-level practitioner with tools and applications to impact extremely poor households through implementation of the **Integrating Extremely Poor Producers into Markets Field Guide**

Lead Farmer Model

4 LEAD FARMERS
chosen by community

4 demo sites are set by lead farmers at the east, west, south, and north parts of village

LEAD FARMERS contribute by spreading information/technology from all directions in towards the entire farming area of the villages

raise awareness in the community

supervising the adopters of FMNR and collecting data

serve as a bridge between the communities and the government technical services on the progress of activities in the village

Government technical service facilitates the Lead Farmer's access to information, training, and recognition as proximate technical service provider at village



Village Agent Guide:

Strengthening Business Linkages for Smallholder Farmers through Village Agents

- Strengthening business linkages for smallholder farmers through village agents
- Teach village agents to facilitate business linkages between farmers and buyers or suppliers of agricultural commodities
- Equip village agents to provide useful advice to suppliers and buyers that seek to do business with farmers

Project Results



Increased Use of Improved Seeds

Village agents in Niger facilitated farmer purchases of 98.8 tons of improved seeds in 2017, up from .52 tons in 2013

Improved Storage

31% increase from 2013 - 2017 of farmers using improved storage techniques

Vegetable Production

LAHIA supported 638 poor rural households in 12 villages to conduct gardening activities, increasing production by 64%

Improved Seed

32% of farmers used improved seed (millet, sorghum, cowpea, peanuts) in 2017, versus 6% national average

Increased Agricultural Practices

46% increase in sustainable agricultural improved practices from 2016-2017

Project Results



Access to Extension Services

The proportion of farmers accessing extension services increased from 15% to 38% in 2017

Certification

14 village agents were certified by the Department of Agriculture for their capacity to bridge the extension gap

Increased Earnings

Income earning potential of village agents increased to \$96 annually in 2017, National average is \$6

Increased Participation

Overall participation in value chain practices increased from 19% to 33%

Warrantage Activity

Warrantage activities gave loans to 454 small scale farmers with a 100% payback rate. Additionally, using warrantage, farmers were able to double their selling price of cowpeas after several months

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