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CLIMATE-SMART AGRICULTURE

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EXTENSION AND ADVISORY SERVICES FOR CSA

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OVERVIEW

• What is pluralistic extension? Why is it important for improving extension and advisory services?

• What are some of the implications of climate change for delivering extension and advisory services?

• What do extension and advisory systems and services look like across Asia?
PLURALISTIC EXTENSION

• Recognizes diversity of farmers and farming systems

• Characterized by coexistence of multiple public, private, and mixed extension systems and services – all of which benefit from some degree of coordination and regulation that facilitates interaction
APPLYING SYSTEMS THINKING

One approach for making sense of local systems focuses attention on the 5Rs:

- Resources
- Roles
- Relationships
- Rules
- Results

The 5Rs in the Program Cycle:
[https://usaidlearninglab.org/library/5rs-framework-program-cycle](https://usaidlearninglab.org/library/5rs-framework-program-cycle)
IMPLICATIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON EAS

Figure 1. Transition from Public to Private Technologies in the Agricultural Development Process and the Need for Public-Private Partnerships to Serve the Agricultural Community.
DEVELOPING LOCAL EXTENSION CAPACITIES (DLEC)

- Five year, Leader with Associates Cooperative Agreement Award
- Implemented by Digital Green with IFPRI and CARE
- Focused on strengthening extension and advisory services (EAS) through novel combination of ICT solutions, community-based social organizations and systemic change
DLEC APPROACH

Adapted* “Best Fit” Framework for Designing and Analyzing EAS

DLEC SERVICES

1. Diagnostics: Identify opportunities and leverage points to catalyze change
   • Governance structures and policy environment
   • Organizational and management capacities and cultures
   • Advisory methods
   • Market engagement
   • Livelihood strategies
   • Community engagement

2. Engage: Pilot, document and share EAS strategies
   • Web platform
   • EAS Community of Practice – Join us! [http://tinyurl.com/dlec-cop](http://tinyurl.com/dlec-cop)

3. Knowledge Sharing: Communicate, reach out and share knowledge
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