Market Systems and Food Safety
Case Study Instructions

At the end of the session, participants will be able to identify:

- How food safety (part of the larger SPS market system) impacts value chain programming.
- At what points in value chain programming food safety hazards originate and the negative impacts of poor food safety systems on the value chain.
- Interventions that can be used to incorporate food safety into value chain programming.
- Why it is important to consider market systems (in this case the food safety system) early in programming.

TASKS:

1. Using the information in the case example and that in the “SPS Market Systems” handout –
   a. Pick one of the issues identified in the case study to focus on. (If you finish early, pick a new issue and repeat the steps below)
   b. Identify possible food safety constraints to the value chain and at what points these issues may arise in the value chain.
   c. Write constraints on the lightning bolt graphics found at your table and place them on the value chain poster at the point where they intersect with the value chain.

2. Review the lightning bolts to prioritize what should be incorporated in value chain programming. Some considerations may be:
   - Which of these are the greatest threats to human life?
   - Which of these absolutely MUST be addressed for a productive and successful value chain to exist?
   - Which of these are easy to resolve, i.e. “low-hanging fruit”?
   - Which of these will take a lot of time to fix?
   - Which of these will take more resources than you have?
   - Which of these will take a lot of time to fix and take more resources than you have?
   - What other donors/implementers are in the same space?

3. Within your group –
   a. Discuss possible solutions to the highest priority constraints.
   b. Write solutions on the sun graphics and add them to your poster.