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Strengthening food security and nutrition in Caucasus and Central Asia countries



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The project aims to operationalize the linkages between social protection, food security, nutrition and agriculture for a comprehensive approach to contribute to the sustainable eradication of poverty and food insecurity. This approach is tested in six pilot projects, which will provide the evidence base on the impact of an integrated approach on development outcomes. The results will be shared with the Advocacy and Coordination Councils for Agriculture, Food Security, Nutrition and Social Protection in the countries concerned, and feed into key policy, legislative and programming processes at the country, regional and global levels and thus supporting the countries in their efforts to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.



School food and nutrition program linked to the agricultural sector

These pilots comprise the establishment of school gardens in 3 schools in Armenia and 20 schools in Tajikistan, and the implementation of a centralized model of supply of agricultural products in Kyrgyzstan to meet the needs of 30 schools and other social institutions.



Strengthening food systems for nutrition sensitive social protection

In Armenia and Kyrgyzstan a "Cash Plus" approach complements the benefits of the National Social Protection Programme providing the beneficiaries with nutrition-sensitive productive interventions, technical training, nutrition education, in-kind/input transfers and the identification of potential markets.



Promoting inclusive economic growth through matching grants for families of migrants

This pilot in Tajikistan aims to leverage the remittances of migrant workers by investing them in the development of family agriculture. Specifically targeting women and youth, the project will support small and medium business development in agriculture with a view to improve nutrition – particularly among migrant's families – and to promote decent rural employment and sustainable rural development in general.

