







#### Gambia Agriculture & Food Security Project (GAFSp)

#### PRESENTATION TITLE:

Harmony for Sustenance: Bridging Climate, Nutrition, and Gender for Sustainable Food Security in The Gambia

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#### **Presentation Outline**



Climate Crisis within the Context of The Gambia



Status of Malnutrition: The Gambia



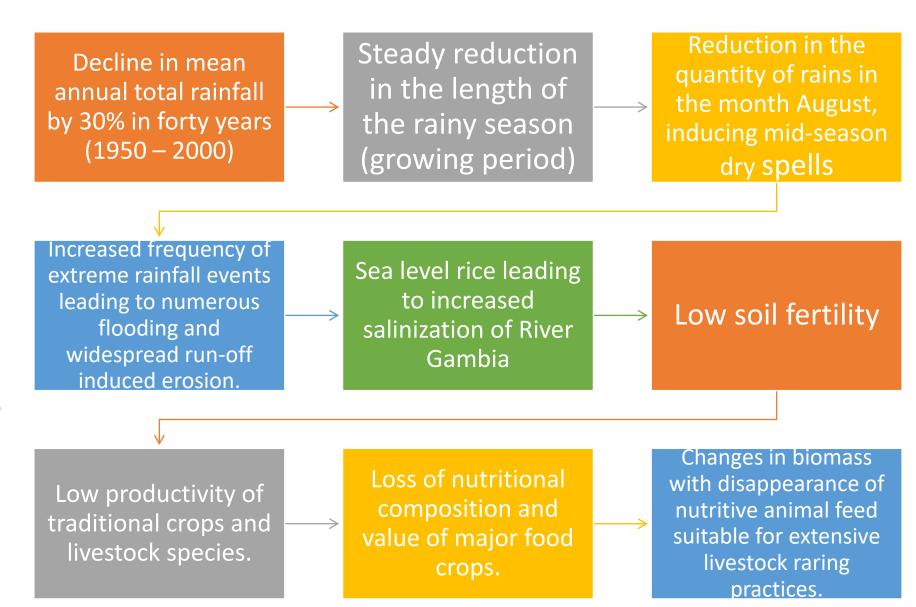
Project: Interventions in the Climate Gender and Nutrition Nexus



Outcomes and Preliminary Impact



# Climate Crisis within the Context of The Gambia



# The Gambia: Pre-Project Nutritional Indicators



Prevalence of Food Insecurity 13.4% with 23.9% for rural households (2021 CSVA)



19,500 people considered to be in the 'emergency' phase of food insecurity (IPC4) with "large food consumption gaps which are reflected in very high acute malnutrition.



Stunting rate among children under five 15.7%



Wasting Rate 5.8%



Number of hungry months – 3 months

#### GAFSP: Nutrition Sensitive climate Smart Interventions: The Gambia

The Project aims to increase food and nutrition security as well as incomes for vulnerable households in project areas.

#### The project intends to achieve the PDO through the following:

- Structuring of the food demand side (school feeding) to match with supply side (local production by smallholder farmers)
- Improving smallholder's income and productivity by increasing food production, post-harvest management, market access and resilience for identified food chains.
- Promoting social protection and food safety net programs to reduce food and nutrition insecurity of vulnerable populations in the Project areas.

• It is financed by GAFSP grant, supervised by AfDB. Implemented by GoTG and WFP

#### **Climate Smart Interventions**



Installation of climate smart water reticulation systems for women vegetable gardens to enable all year vegetable production in 26 women vegetable gardens.



**5921** women benefiting from smart subsidy interventions through the provision of certified climate resilient vegetable seeds covering 150 Ha vegetable gardens.

The produce provide school children with needed micronutrient through Home Grown School Feeding (HGSF).



**5000** women received technical support through a climate resilient 'farmer field school' system to assist them produce within acceptable standards of quality and safety for the HGSF.



women) supported with certified climate resilient seeds for cereals (short cycle rice varieties and biofortified maize) and legumes (groundnut and biofortified cowpea) putting 1167 Ha under climate smart farming systems in the 2022/23 cropping season

#### **Climate Smart Interventions**



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Smart subsidy interventions to support **1023** women poultry producers to raise layer chickens with minimal inputs to ensure the availability of meat protein within their communities.



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### Market Linkages – CSA Outputs & Interventions in Nutrition



Support 'Master Farmers and aggregators for the Home-Grown School Feeding. This ensures the timely availability of fresh and nutritious school meals and incomes for smallholder farmers supported by the project.



smallholder farmer woman (vegetable producer) displaying her packaged onions for the market in Kalagi village Western Gambia.

She represents the voice of over 5000 women smallholder farmers supported by the project in 2022



Processed poultry produced ready for consumption.



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**1,147** school children (**56% girls**) are fed with nutritious daily meals from produce of smallholder farmers within a climate resilient farming system.

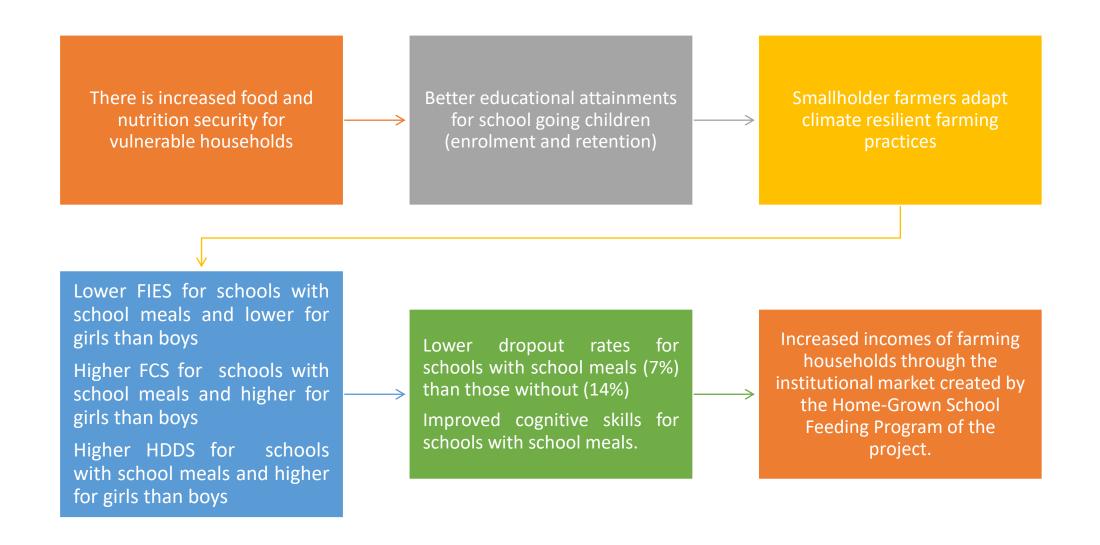


600 women including school cooks, school mother clubs and Food Management Committee members reached through SBCC for improved hygiene and safety standards for school meal preparation



**22,000** school going children (54% girls) received Vitamin A Supplementation and Deworming tablets to combat Vitamin A deficiency and Worm infestation as major contributors to child malnutrition in the country,

## **Expected Impacts**



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