

> Effective monitoring, evaluation and learning for MSD programmes in fragile contexts



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Strengthening Host and Refugee Populations, Ethiopia (SHARPE)



- September 2019 – March 2025. Funded by FCDO.
- Three refugee hosting regions - Gambella, Dollo Ado & Jijiga
- Work across three main sectors – Agri-businesses, Financial Inclusion and Renewable energy
- Designed to:
 - Develop inclusive markets and create economic opportunities
 - Test and learn from application of MSD in host & refugee markets
 - Pilot sustainable / commercial delivery of livelihood inputs – move away from project delivery & free distribution
 - Pilot models of private sector engagement in displacement context



FTF Inclusive Agricultural Markets Activity (IAM) Uganda



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Covered resilience region and 3 refugee-hosting districts of Uganda – Karamoja region, Nakivale, Palabek, and Rwamwanja.

Uniqueness: Remotest far-flung districts, limited infrastructural and social investments, conflict/insecurity prone, heavy government control of movement, Heavy investment by humanitarian agencies, & low capacity/understanding of market principles.

Focused on:

- Scoping and identifying agricultural markets that present the highest opportunities for engagement of refugees and host communities
- Incentivizing the private sector to test and scale business models in the focus districts
- Improving the enabling environment for agricultural market development in the focus districts
- Influencing market actors in the focus districts to adopt MSD.
- Promote learning and lesson sharing

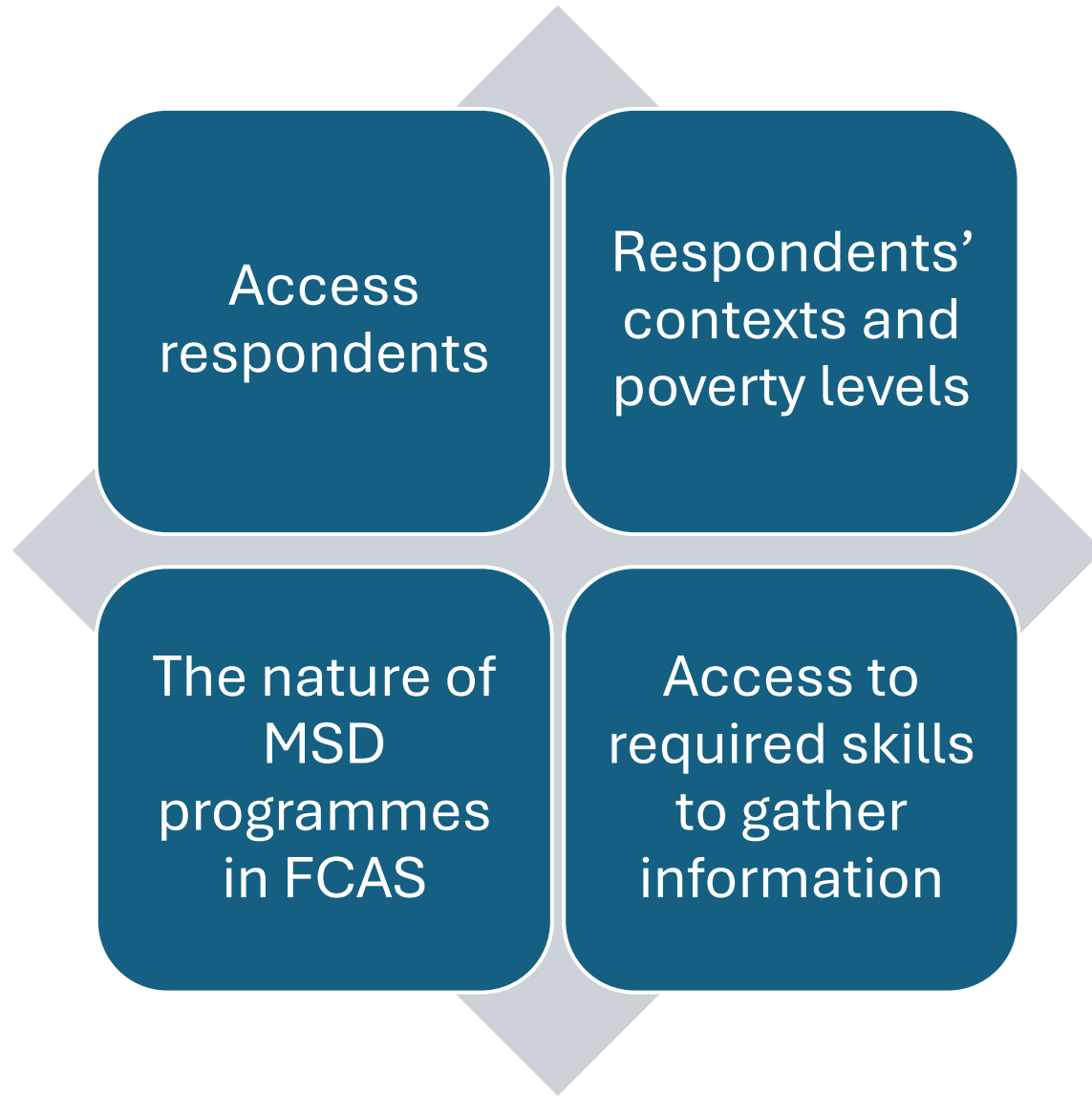
Why do programmes operating in FCAS need MEL even more than other MSD programmes?

Context changes frequently and rapidly

Business models are unproven

Multiple innovations are required to build markets

What are the constraints to MEL in FCAS?



Intensity of constraints and frequency of changes

What are practical solutions?

Building	Building the foundation
Planning	Planning to gather and analyse information
Gathering	Gathering information
Managing	Managing the MEL function

Summary of key lessons

Plan for more resources and strong skills

Gather information frequently and flexibly from a range of sources

Identify constraints and plan options early

Teamwork and curiosity is essential

How can we do better?



Share more examples



Increase exchanges on challenges and solutions



Consider practicalities in the application of standards



Develop information sharing platforms



Q&A session

