Revised 2024 SIPRA Activity Plan (Including Input Support for 2024 Planting Season)

		Intended Results	Timeframe											
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Outcome 1 Smallholder Farmer Level	**Increased sustainable income of smallholder farmers and agro-MSMEs in targeted rainfed agriculture areas**													
Output 1.1	**Smallholder Producer Associations (PAs) established, legally registered, strengthened and functioning**													
Activities														
1.1.1	Conduct mapping of existing PAs and their capacity and establish new associations with a minimum of 30% women and youth participation, or women/youth only PAs	1 assessment												
1.1.2	Conduct training for the organizational development of the PAs (how to set up an organizational structure, organizational governance, book-keeping, establishing bi-laws, business development, marketing, etc.) and ensuring % of women and youth in leadership positions.	100 PAs												
1.1.3	Support PAs with legal registration.	100 PAs												
1.1.4	Conduct ongoing coaching of PAs.	100 PAs												
Output 1.2	**Smallholders and smallholder organizations, including women farmers acquired the knowledge, skills (using innovative agricultural and NRM practices), assets, and inputs for sustainable and climate-resilient production of food products.**													
Activities														
1.2.1	Train smallholders through the demonstration farm and Farmer Field School (FFS) approach (focusing on Climate Smart Agriculture, efficient use of water, natural resource management, utilization of improved seeds and nutrient-dense, climate resistant (local) crop diversification)".	23,130 SHFs												
1.2.2	Link Producer Associations and Agro-MSMEs for improved access to inputs (including quality seeds), service provision, and new technologies (with special attention to rural youth and women).	60 PAs												
1.2.4	Support to Extension Office & Officers	115 extension officers												
1.2.5	Training women farmer groups with vegetable gardening and market access (linked to FoSRA and business mapping findings).	24 WGs (240 women)												
II-A-I-7.5	Support provision of inputs and access to services, including cash for food	23,130 farmers												
II-A-I-7.9	Support Vulnerable Women through Homestead Garden (Jubraka)	1050 women												
II-A-I-7.10	Post-Harvest Management: Provision of Storage Bags	14200 farmers												
II-A-I-7.11	Establish and Support VSLAs via Small Producer Associations (PAs) and Women Groups (WGs)	60 groups												
II-A-I-7.12	Distribution of inputs (set up/train committees, loading and offloading and packaging)	3 months												

Output 1.3	**Community-based action plans for sustainable water/land conflict resolution, governance and management established & implemented**														
Activities															
1.3.2	Facilitate and support PAs to implement community-based water harvesting infrastructures with clear linkage to smallholder production.	6 Pas													
1.3.3	Support persons (especially landless women and youth) with land-sharing modalities	120													
1.3.4	Establish community-based committees for conflict resolution (incl. water management, crop management, and farmer-nomad land management).	7 committees													
Output 1.4	**Smallholder producers, mainly women and youth, practice value addition along selected value chains.**														
Activities															
1.4.1	Value Chain Assessment to identify opportunities	N/A													
1.4.2	Train smallholders/ PAs on value addition (sorting, cleaning, packing, processing) linked with selected value chains.	4000 smallholder farmers													
1.4.3	Train smallholders/PAs on business development and marketing of products	100 PAs													
1.4.4	Provide support and basic equipment to PAs for value addition.	10 PAs													
Output 1.5	**Smallholders engaging in the market through improved price awareness and group selling strategies (linked to O3).**														
Activities															
1.5.1	Improve the existing market information systems and introduce new systems as appropriate.	N/A													
1.5.2	Conduct awareness campaigns to improve knowledge among smallholder producers about market information systems	3000 smallholder farmers													
1.5.3	Train PAs in group marketing strategies: group transportation, access to goods, shared storage, and selling as a group (groundwork to be done in O1.1)	20PAs													
1.5.5	link PAs and networks with decision makers at locality and where possible at both locality and state levels	20 PAs													
Output 1.6	**Small business grants provided to improve value chain relationships through Track 2 of the Challenge Fund for Producer Associations and agro-SMEs**														
Activities															
1.6.1	Conduct a Maturity Assessment of Producer Associations	1 assessment													
1.6.2	Support development of applications for small business grants by mature Producer Associations and qualified agro-MSMEs	10 PAs													
1.6.3	Implementation of small business grants (track 2)	15 grants													
1.6.4	Coach & monitor grant recipients (Producer Associations and agro-MSMEs)	15 grants													
Outcome 2 Agri-business level	**Agri-businesses and agro-MSMEs adopt an inclusive approach in terms of market-driven partnerships, job creation (focusing on women and youth), supply contracts, and value chain development with smallholders in rain-fed areas.**														
Output 2.2	**Operational guidelines for responsible agriculture business drafted and advertised for implementation of the Challenge Fund (CF).**														
Activities															
2.2.3	Development of a Challenge Fund Manual, including standard operating procedures and financial and economic selection criteria (informed by among others 2.2.1 and 2.2.2).	1 Manual													
2.2.4	Train project staff on Challenge Fund principles and process.	2 online sessions													

2.2.5	Conduct awareness-raising, promotion & marketing campaigns on the aim and objective of CF.	4 campaigns												
Output 2.4	**Agri-businesses, agro-SMEs and smallholders find sufficient common ground in inclusive VC development through B2B platforms.**													
Activities														
2.4.1	Conduct sensitization meetings on the mutual benefits of engaging in B2B platforms.	N/A												
2.4.2	Establish B2B platforms with representatives from agri-businesses, agro-SMEs, PAs, government and other stakeholders from a specific value chain.	3 B2B platforms established												
2.4.3	Conduct regular meetings of B2B platforms to discuss barriers, address them jointly, and develop advocacy messages (linkage with O3.2)	16 meetings												
2.4.4	Conduct capacity strengthening of B2B platforms	Explore opportunities to strengthen B2B platforms												
2.4.5	Support B2B platform to develop a road map towards inclusive and sustainable partnerships	Four roadmaps												
Output 2.5	**Youth developed skills in SME agri-business management, received start-up support, and accessed services which allow for sustainable employment or income generation**	**Output and activities incorporated into output 1.4**												
Activities														
2.5.1	Awareness-raising sessions on opportunities for employability in agri-business and training offered by the project													
2.5.2	Organize targeted skills training for rural youth and women to increase the employability of women and youth in agri-business													
2.5.3	Provide start-up support for rural youth and women													
Outcome 3 Lobby & Advocacy	**More conducive environment for PA's, agro-MSMEs and agri-businesses to benefit from economic partnerships.**													
Output 3.1	**PAs trained to lobby and advocate for desired changes in selected value chains.**													
Activities														
3.1.1	Establish/strengthen PA networks at the locality and umbrellas at the state level for legitimacy and to engage in lobby and advocacy to key policymakers	4 networks												
3.1.2	Training PA network in lobby, advocacy, evidence-based data collection, advocacy methods and strategies etc. for removal of market barriers, resources (land, water, management) access and management issues.	4 networks												
3.1.3	Implement lobby and advocacy projects through small grant mechanism to overcome producer-level market barriers.													
Output 3.2	**B2B platforms supported to take collective action towards improving business environment.**													
Activities														
3.2.1	B2Bs trained in joint lobby and advocacy strategies on key barriers.	2 trainings												
3.2.2	Joint practical advocacy strategy developed (using advocacy messages from O2.4)	1 advocacy strategy												
Outcome 4 Learning Agenda	**Capacity developed and learning mechanisms established that guide field activities, facilitate evidence-based adaptive programming, and contribute to good practice and policy recommendations on building food systems resilience through development of inclusive, equitable and nutrition sensitive value chains (for improved FNS outcomes)**													
Output 4.1	**4.1 Food Systems Resilience assessments designed and implemented with local actors and stakeholders at State level, with resilience pathways developed including the identification of most relevant sectors (and main value chains therein).**													

Activities													
4.1.1	Design and deliver a capacity development course on Food Systems Resilience targeting relevant stakeholders and actors involved in SIPRA (local government, local universities & training centres, UN/NGOs, private sector, CSOs).	Target SIPRA Staff											
4.1.2	Co-design with local experts and knowledge institutions a conflict-, gender- and nutrition-sensitive Food Systems Resilience assessment to identify most relevant sectors (and potential value chains therein) that are key to building more resilient food systems.	FOSRA in 3 new SIPRA states as applicable											
4.1.3	Facilitate implementation of four State level food systems resilience assessments co-creating a shared understanding amongst key actors and stakeholders on food systems behaviour and current outcomes on the basis of which resilience pathways are defined and sectors identified with a high potential to improve food and nutrition outcomes.; Dissemination of findings in papers, workshops, etc.												
Output 4.3	**Value Chains Development (FARE Approach)**												
Activities													
4.3.2	Design and deliver a course on Farmer/Local Producer Group Agency in Rural economies (FARE) producing FARE Trainers amongst local government, local universities & training centres, NGOs and private sector (SME) actors.	1 ToT course, 10 trainers;											
4.3.3	Together with the FARE trainers develop a practical FARE guide that can be used by FARE trainers to design and facilitate practical PPPP cases - Place/Product/Producers (both public and private)/Players.	1 guide tailor-made for Sudan											
Output 4.5	**Build and act upon institutional knowledge, training- and action-research capacities to facilitate, guide and support the development of value chains that are sustainable and contribute to food systems resilience**												
Activities													
4.5.1	Provide scholarships (information on other scholasrhips) and identify most-promising candidates for NUFFIC scholarships for MSc programmes and Short Courses under the NUFFIC HoA protracted crisis scholarship programme.	4 scholarships											
Output 4.7	**Evidence-Based Adaptive Programming for Impact**												
Activities													
4.7.1	Fine-tune adaptive management tool and implementation process	1 process											