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Interviewer Name: _____

VILLAGE SAVINGS AND LOANS ASSOCIATIONS EMPOWERMENT PROJECT BURUNDI

POST-VSLA SURVEY

Respondent must be a member of the Village Savings and Loans Association

Respondent ID/Name _____ Sex _____ Marital Status _____ Household Number _____
Occupation _____ M / F M/S/W _____ Discussion Group Participant? Yes No
Commune: _____ Zone: _____ VSLA: _____

Date	Start Time	Completion Time	Primary Language of Interview (Circle one)
			Kirundi French English

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Date Received _____ Date Entered _____ Completed by (please write name/ID legibly) _____

CONSENT FORM

Hello. My name is _____ and I am working with the International Rescue Committee. We are conducting a study about various issues related to how decisions are made in households around Burundi. We would very much appreciate your participation in this survey.

The questionnaire usually takes about 20 minutes to complete. As part of the survey we would first like to ask some questions about your household. All of the answers you give will be confidential. Participation in the survey is completely voluntary. Your willingness to answer or not answer questions will not, in any way, affect your ability to participate in the Village Savings and Loans Association. If we should come to any question you don't want to answer, just let me know and I will go on to the next question; or you can stop the interview at any time. However, we hope you will participate in the survey since your views are important.

At this time, do you want to ask me anything about the survey?

May I begin the interview now?

Signature of interviewer: _____ Date: _____

... 1 RESPONDENT AGREES TO BE INTERVIEWED

... 2 RESPONDENT DOES NOT AGREE TO BE INTERVIEWED → END

I would like to begin by asking you some questions about what assets your family owns and how you spend your money. These questions are just intended to help us better understand how your family earns and spends money. I will read you the question and then ask for your response. If you are uncertain about the question, please tell me and I will clarify.

1. First we'd like to ask you some questions about your household's land and animals:			
1A. Does anyone you or your spouse or both of you own any land?			
Yes, We do jointly → how many half hectares? _____			
Yes, I do → how many half hectares? _____			
Yes, my spouse does → → how many half hectares? _____			
No			
1B Do members of your household work on someone else's land? Yes No			
1B1. . How many hectares of agricultural land do you personally cultivate?			
_____HALF HECTARES			
1B2 . How many hectares of agricultural land does your spouse cultivate?			
_____HALF HECTARES			
1C. Do you or your spouse own any livestock?			
Yes		No	
1		0	
If 1C is Yes→ <i>(Ask them to list the number of each type of animal owned and note this here)</i>			
	a. Number you own	b. Number your spouse owns	c. Number your children own
1C1. Cattle	1C1a.	1C1b.	1C1c.
1C2. Goats/Sheep	1C2a.	1C2b.	1C2c.
1C3. Chickens	1C3a.	1C3b.	1C3c.
1C4. Horses Donkey Mules	1C4a.	1C4b.	1C4c.
1C5. Other (please specify _____)	1C5a.	1C5b.	1C5c.

2. To get a better idea of what people buy and use in their households, I would like to ask for your best estimate of what your entire household makes and spends on various items.
Do your best to remember, but don't worry if you don't know exact amounts.

2A. During the past **week**, how much did you spend to buy

2A1. Maize, Cassava Flour, Rice	Francs
2A2. Meat or Fish (including chicken, goats, cows.)	Francs
2A3. Beans and Legumes	Francs
2A4. Vegetables and fruit	Francs
2A5. Cooking Fuel	Francs
2A6. Transport	Francs
2A7. Alcohol and cigarettes	Francs
2A8. Household Assets (pots, pans)	Francs
2A9. Food for livestock	Francs
2A10. Other	Francs

2B. During the past **week**, how much of the following self-produced items did you consume?

	Units	Quantity
2B1. Maize, Cassava Flour, Rice		
2B2. Meat or Fish (including chicken, goats, cows.)		
2B3. Vegetables and fruit		

2C. There are some expenses that only come around **a few times a year**. I would like to ask for your best estimate of how much you spend on the following

	Amount Spent	Time Period (e.g. month, term, year)	Annual Expenditure
2C1. Education (school fees, books, etc.)			
2C2. Clothing for women			
2C3. Clothing for men			
2C4. Clothing for children			
2C5. Rent			
2C6. Livestock			
2C7. Health Care (clinics, immunizations, etc.)			

I would now like to ask you some questions about your experience with your local VSLA. I will ask you some questions about your participation and any benefits or problems you experienced. Your responses will be kept confidential and nothing you say will affect your future participation in the VSLA.

3. I'd like to begin by asking you about any loans you received.							
3A. How many loans did you receive during this year? _____							
Loan use options							
A. Medical Expenses	B. Marriage of a family member	C. Death of a family member	D. Business/Income Generating Activity	E. School related expenses	F. Other (please describe)		
3B. I would like to ask you some questions about each loan. For the loan number ____ (insert loan number),							
Loan Number	3B1 How much was the loan for?	3B2. What did you use the loan for?			3B4. If D→ was the investment profitable?		
1	Francs	A	B	C	D	E	
2	Francs	A	B	C	D	E	
3	Francs	A	B	C	D	E	
4	Francs	A	B	C	D	E	
5	Francs	A	B	C	D	E	
6	Francs	A	B	C	D	E	
3C. Did you have any difficulty repaying any of the loans?						Yes	No
3D. If 3C is Yes→ were you late in repaying the loan?						Yes	No
3E. If 3D is Yes→ We'd like to ask you some questions about the loans you had difficulty repaying. Which of the loans you received did you have difficulty repaying?							
A.	B.	C.	D.	E.	F. Other (describe)		

Loan Number	3E1 How late was the loan?	3E2. Why were you late in repaying the loan?			3E3.		
	Weeks	A	B	C	D	E	
	Weeks	A	B	C	D	E	
	Weeks	A	B	C	D	E	
	Weeks	A	B	C	D	E	
	Weeks	A	B	C	D	E	
	Weeks	A	B	C	D	E	

4. I'd now like to ask you about your savings in the VSLA						
4A1. How much did you save this year?					_____	shares
4A2. How much is a share at your VSLA?					_____	francs
4B. What did you do with your share out?						
A. Medical Expenses	B. Business/Income Generating Activity	C.	D.	E.	F. Other (please describe)	

I would now like to ask you some questions about how decisions are made in your household. There is no right or wrong answer; we are just interested in what happens in your home. If anything seems unclear, please ask me to clarify. If none of these answers are a good description of how your household makes decisions, describe to me what typically happens.

5. I'd like to ask you how your household deals with its harvest.	
5A1. How often do you tend the land?	
Never (Spouse or Children tend the land)	0
Rarely(Once or twice a month)	1
Sometimes (1-2 days a week)	2
Often (3-4 days a week)	3
Frequently (5-7 days a week)	4
Always (Only person who tends the land)	5
5A2. Do you ever gather the harvest?	
Yes	No
1	0
5A3.If 5A2 is YES →After you gather the harvest, what typically happens?	
My spouse determines fraction to take to market and sells it	1
My spouse determines fraction to sell and I sell it	2
My spouse and I jointly determine what fraction to sell and my spouse sells it	3
My spouse and I jointly determine what fraction to sell and I sell it	4
Other:_____	5
5B1. How often does your spouse tend the land?	
Never (Spouse or Children tend the land)	0
Rarely(Once or twice a month)	1
Sometimes (1-2 days a week)	2
Often (3-4 days a week)	3
Frequently (5-7 days a week)	4
Always (Only person who tends the land)	5
5B2. Does your spouse ever gather the harvest?	
Yes	No
1	0
5B3. If 5B2 is YES→After your spouse gathers the harvest, what typically happens?	
My spouse determines fraction to take to market and sells it	1
My spouse determines fraction to sell and I sell it	2
My spouse and I jointly determine what fraction to sell and my spouse sells it	3
My spouse and I jointly determine what fraction to sell and I sell it	4
Other:_____	5

6. Different households have different ways about deciding on a variety of issues. We'd like to ask you about the process by which you and your spouse make decisions

I'm going to talk to you about a variety of issues. Please let me know how you and your spouse typically decide this. There is no right or wrong answer. We are just interested in how you make decisions on these different areas.

(Circle the option which best represents the respondents answer. You do not need to read these options for each question but you may wish to provide them as a helpful way for the respondent to categorize who makes decisions)

Responses for A's

(A1)	(A2)	(A3)	(A4)	(A5)	(A6)
I decide	My spouse decides	We decide jointly	I decide on some things my spouse decides on others	Other	Don't Know

Responses for B's

(B1)	(B2)	(B3)	(B4)	(B5)	(B6)
I change the decision alone	I change the decision after telling my spouse	I discuss it with my spouse	I do nothing, my spouse will not listen to me	I do nothing, my spouse knows better than me	Other: (please describe)

Question	Response (circle one)					
6iA. Who decides on who money you earn is spent?	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6iB. What happens if you disagree?	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6iiA. Who decides on major household purchases	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6iiB. What happens if you disagree?	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6iiiA. Who decides about purchases for daily household needs (food, fuel, etc.)	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6iiiB. What happens if you disagree with a decision on daily household needs?	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6ivA. Who decides about purchases on alcohol or cigarettes	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6ivB. What happens if you disagree with purchasing alcohol or cigarettes	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6vA. Who decides when to visit your family or friends	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6vB. What happens if you disagree about when to visit your family or friends	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6viA. Who decides when to visit to your spouse's family or friends <i>(SKIP FOR WIDOWS)</i>	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6viB. What happens if you disagree about when to visit your spouse's family or friends <i>(SKIP FOR WIDOWS)</i>	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6viiA. Who decides how many children you will have or whether to have more children? <i>(SKIP FOR WIDOWS)</i>	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6viiB. What happens if you disagree about the number of children to have? <i>(SKIP FOR WIDOWS)</i>	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6
6viiiA. Who decides whether to have sex? <i>(SKIP FOR WIDOWS)</i>	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
6viiiB. What happens if you disagree about having sex? <i>(SKIP FOR WIDOWS)</i>	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6

7. Sometimes when they are angry or believe their wife has done something wrong, husbands may *abuse* their wives. While this may not happen in your household, it happens in many homes. Abuse can include any physical response such as slapping, shoving, grabbing, pushing, hitting, beating, punching, or kicking. In your opinion, is it acceptable for a husband to abuse his wife in the following situations?

7A. If she goes out without telling him	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7B. If she neglects the children	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7C. If she argues with him	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7D. If she refuses to have sex with him	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7E. If she burns the food	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7F. If he is annoyed or angered by something she does	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7G. For anything, he is entitled to beat her	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9
7H. Not at all	Yes 1	No 0	Don't Know 9

NOTE: IF THE RESPONDENT IS A WOMAN, READ 8W OTHERWISE READ 8M. IF THE RESPONDENTS IS A WIDOW, SKIP THIS QUESTIONS

8W. We understand that sometimes there are disagreements at home. We would like to ask you about how you and your spouse resolve disputes. It can be difficult to talk about what happens when your husband get angry. I would like to remind you that your responses to all questions are completely voluntary and if you feel uncomfortable we can simply skip this question and move on. Everything you tell me is confidential and no one else will know what you have said. In the past two weeks, how often did your spouse:

8P. Physically hurt you	Never 1	Rarely 2	Sometimes 3	Fairly Often 4	Frequently 5	Don't know 9
8I. Insult or talk down to you	Never 1	Rarely 2	Sometimes 3	Fairly Often 4	Frequently 5	Don't know 9
8T. Threaten you with harm	Never 1	Rarely 2	Sometimes 3	Fairly Often 4	Frequently 5	Don't know 9
8S. Scream or curse at you	Never 1	Rarely 2	Sometimes 3	Fairly Often 4	Frequently 5	Don't know 9

Please provide resource information and discuss safety planning as appropriate. If you believe it is necessary, contact the designated counselor on your survey team for assistance

8M. We understand that sometimes there are disagreements at home. We would like to ask you about how you and your spouse resolve disputes. Sometimes, when you are angry or upset, you may respond in many different ways. I would like to remind you that your responses to all questions are completely voluntary but we value your input. Everything you tell me is confidential and no one else will know what you have said. In the past two weeks, how often did you:

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8S. Scream or curse at your spouse	Never 1	Rarely 2	Sometimes 3	Fairly Often 4	Frequently 5	Don't know 9

9. We'd like to ask you about the roles that men and women play in daily life in Burundi. I'm going to read you a statement and I'd like you to tell me if you agree or disagree. There is no right or wrong answer, we are interested in what you think.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
9A. Women should do what their husbands say	1	2	3	4	9
9B. Wives should give the money they earn to their husband	1	2	3	4	9
9C. It is okay for a husband to abandon his wife if he wants	1	2	3	4	9
9D. It is a women's job to gather water even if it is unsafe	1	2	3	4	9
9E. Women cannot manage money	1	2	3	4	9
9F. Women should have sex whenever her husband wants	1	2	3	4	9
9G. Women should have as many children as her husband wants	1	2	3	4	9

10. In Burundi, there has been some discussion about increased participation and rights for women. Do you believe the following should be adopted

	Yes	No	Don't Know
10A. Rights for women to own and inherit land	1	0	9
10B. Women representatives in national reconstruction programs	1	0	9
10C. Women representatives in local community meetings	1	0	9
10D. Increased penalties for spousal abuse	1	0	9
10E. Legalization of Polygamy	1	0	9