### Training on

### **Roads for Water and Resilience**







# ROADS FOR INCLUSIVENESS

### Outline

Feeder roads research project Local perceptions Wealth ranking Household activities, roads and productivity Roads for water and for inclusiveness

### Feeder roads research project

"Feeder roads development for inclusive productive employment." Focus themes:

- 1. Employment generation in road development
- 2. Employment generation and changes in local economies
- 3. Impact of roads on their natural environment



### Feeder roads research project



It is normally assumed that (feeder) roads reduce poverty associated with spatial isolation.

The effects - particularly short-term and long-term distributive impacts on low-income groups - are generally unqualified and unquantified.







- 8 days, 2 teams, 80 testimonies
- A positive bias? "the road is our bloodline" "roads lead to heaven"...
- What other slower (+/-) changes are occurring, what is the role or roads?









### **Wealth Ranking**



### Wealth groups



### **Common indicators**



### **Livestock ownership**



### Land managed

Gap in amount of land managed (ha)

17



### **Food self-sufficiency**

Gap in food self-sufficiency (months/year)



18

### Two cases: household assets

#### Better-off household

- □ HH# 7, incl. parents
- Land managed: 4 ha, incl. own 1 ha
- 5 oxen, 5 cows, 10 goats, 2 donkeys, 10 chicken/bred

#### Household in poverty

- □ HH# 4, single mother
- Land managed: 0 ha, so excl. own 1/3 ha
- 2 chicken/local

(8 days, 1 team, 20 semi-structured interviews)

## Self- and waged-employment

#### Better-off household

- Selling oxen, calves, goats, cow butter, chicken eggs
- Selling sorghum, white teff, wheat and chickpea (20% of output

#### Household in poverty

- Selling chicken eggs
- Hairdressing (10 local customers/month)
- PSNP work
- Occasional weeding as a day-labourer

### **Self-sufficiency activities**

#### Better-off household

- Sorghum, white teff, wheat and chickpea production (80%)
- Milk, meat and egg production
- Ploughing with own oxen, transporting with own donkeys, hiring day-labourers

#### Household in poverty

 Wheat and teff cultivated by sharecropper (1/3 of the output to the HH)

### Time saved

#### **Better-off household**

- Transporting outputs from farm to markets
- Getting day-labourers from town to farm
- Attending meetings
- Transporting inputs from market to farm
- Purchasing household goods from market

#### Household in poverty

- Purchasing household goods from market
- Collecting PSNP wages
- Attending meetings

### 138 hours/year saved

55 hours/year saved

### **Time saved**

- 23
  - Traders come to purchase products at farm level, or vehicle transportation can be hired
  - Speed, distance and volume of transportation (viability of perishable crops)

- So, roads imply mobility and access  $\rightarrow$  time-savings
- How is this extra time then utilized?
- □ Are HHs (incl. children) over- or underworked?
- Do HHs have the capacity to utilise the extra time productively? What are changes in activities?

### **Beyond time saved**

- Cost savings when children attend school elsewhere (living costs in towns is a major cause for school dropout)
- Access to ambulance services and health care
- Strengthened social connections with other areas and access to information
- Walking has become more comfortable (although this varies per respondent)
- □ Etc…

### **Inclusive Roads for Water?**

- **Community mobilisation**: How are people mobilized? Who contributes? How (financial, land, labour)? Who is employed in construction and in O&M?
- **Community beneficiaries**: Who benefits? (those close/far from road, those who manage the land, those with the capacity to irrigate) How do they benefit? (soil and water conservation, livestock watering, irrigation, employment)
- **Participatory planning:** Who plans? (leaders, stronger voices, CBOs (water committees, youth and women in tree planting) What are their interests? (link with 'who benefits')

#### Supported by:





Developed by:



