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Agenda

• Update on TOPS ANRM activities since July
• Update on TOPS ANRM activities for coming months
• Seeds event discussion
• Nutrition-sensitive agricultural value chains discussion
• Next steps
ANRM Updates Since July

- Regional Knowledge Sharing Meeting in Uganda
  - Strengthening Smallholder Farmer Resilience to a Changing Climate
  - Seed systems and markets
  - Engaging Youth in Agriculture: Age and Gender Considerations to Improve Program Design

- Update from the region - Case studies, Permagarden refresher, cross visit

- Update from HQ-level – Resilience Design toolkit, core competency resource list, TOPS & SPRING nutrition-sensitive VCs event
ANRM Upcoming Plans

- Smallholder Farmer Financial Planning short guide
- Resilience Design in Smallholder Farming Systems toolkit
- Seed security / seed response event in February
For Input: Seeds Event

This session will share practical insights for reinforcing the seed security of smallholder farmers. It will review the latest tools available for identifying diverse seed security constraints and share on-the-ground implementation responses to address common resilience and nutrition constraints. The discussion will aim to build capacity for seed security analysis and to design programs that can be affected within 1-4 year time frames. *(Event focus subject to change)*

What do you want to learn about related to this theme? What intervention phase are you most interested in learning about in terms of seed security?
Nutrition-Sensitive Agricultural Value Chains

- What are they?
- Why are we talking about them?
- What did we talk about in DC?
- Where do we go from here?
Nutrition-Sensitive Ag Value Chains

Should NSVC activities be prioritized over traditional value chain activities?

• In 2 groups, discuss either: (1) why NSVC activities should be prioritized OR (2) why NSVC activities should not be prioritized.

• In your break-out group, discuss your side of the argument. Also note any program examples/evidence that support your argument.
  • If no good program examples arise, think about experience of field teams or other stakeholders who are (dis)interested in the topic at a practical level.

• Elect one representative to present your arguments back in plenary
What next?

• Within this community, what NSVC discussions do you want to continue having?
• What forum is best to discuss these questions?
• How do we collate project successes and promising practices?
• Where should TOPS go from here with this topic?
Thank you!