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# LEARNINGS FROM THE DEMONSTRATOR COUNTRY MISSIONS

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# BACKGROUND

## MULTI-AGENCY MISSIONS

Bangladesh, September '18

Iraq, November '18

Nigeria, April '19

## OBJECTIVES

Understand what Localisation means for various stakeholders

Identify good practices & barriers → actionable recommendations

Promote & sustain political momentum on the GB Localisation commitments



LOCALISATION WORKSTREAM

# DEMONSTRATOR COUNTRY MISSIONS EXECUTIVE SUMMARIES

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BANGLADESH	8 - 13 SEPTEMBER 2018
IRAQ	18 - 22 NOVEMBER 2018
NIGERIA	1 - 5 APRIL 2019

# KEY LEARNINGS

01

Localisation as long-term strategic, equitable partnership VS service / project delivery and cost efficiency

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Localisation is progressing but further dialogue is needed to address lack of trust on both sides

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Capacity Strengthening (programmatic, technical, organisational) should be two-way, built on local actors' knowledge & detailed understanding of the context

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Only limited & short-term funding available for institutional capacity strengthening for local actors

# KEY LEARNINGS

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Little progress in representation in HCTs and coordinating bodies, more room for improvement needed (language / jargon, quality of representation)

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Major donors still constrained from partnering with L/NNGOs & inadequate overhead cost & short-term partnership is still major concern for many

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There are various women /-led organisations but many remain on the sidelines of localisation discussions with little or no knowledge

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Transformative changes require local actors to agree on ways on how to better collaborate, respect and build on one another's strengths irrespective of gender; donors & INGOs need to recognise these strengths as a means to improved humanitarian response