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LEARNINGS FROM THE DEMONSTRATOR COUNTRY MISSIONS

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BACKGROUND & OBJECTIVES

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

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



METHODOLOGY

Initial contacts with country stakeholders

Conduct of pre mission

Refining the mission objectives and key areas of inquiry

Actual mission – key informant interviews, discussions and field visit

Mission Report

Webinars and panel discussions

KEY LEARNINGS

01

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

02

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

03

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

04

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

KEY LEARNINGS

05

Progress in representation in HCTs and coordinating bodies, but room for improvement (language / jargon, quality of representation)

06

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

07

There are various women /-led organisations but many remain on the sidelines of localisation discussions

08

Transformative changes require local actors to agree on ways on how to better collaborate, respect and build on one another's strengths