UPLANDS PROGRAMME 2016 - 2018

Budget: estimated USD 18 million

The programme focuses on increasing incomes and resilience, improving nutrition and promoting pro-poor policies in Chin, Kachin, Shan, Kayah, Kayin states and Tanintharyi region. LIFT's financial inclusion partners are also working in the Uplands, providing further opportunities for inclusive growth.

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VISION AND APPROACH

The Programme is designed to increase incomes and to improve nutrition and resilience for:

- Productive communities engaged in value chains
- Remote communities with low food security and poor access to services
- Displaced people previously out of development intervention reach

The programme moves LIFT interventions towards 'areas emerging from conflict'. It will support smallholders and landless households through:

- Pro-poor financial services
- Agriculture extension and value chains development
- Sustainable natural resource management
- Vocational training
- Stronger focus on nutrition and a particular focus on gender issues
- Local stakeholders' capacity building

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- 1. Smallholders achieve increased farm production and economic returns
- 2. Rural households have a more equitable access to and sustainable use of local natural resources
- 3. Landless and vulnerable households increase their skills, diversify and increase incomes from non-farm employment and economic opportunity
- 4. Rural households have improved nutritional outcomes (stunting rates in children are reduced)
- 5. Rural households are less vulnerable to shocks and stresses
- 6. Local authorities and local stakeholders have increased capacity to deliver services according to local priorities



Name of organisation	Project title	Main activities	Locations	Dates
Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Partners: Karuna Myanmar Social Services (KMSS)	Productive Agriculture through Community Engagement (PACE)	Agriculture extension and nutrition education following the CARE group model.	Thantlang, Falam and Matupi townships in Chin State	7 Jun 2016- 31 May 2019
Choklei Organisation for Rural and Agricultural Development (CORAD) Partners: GRET	Promoting Agricultural Diversification and Economic Integration in Northern Chin State	Agriculture extension, value chain development and natural resource management.	Tonzang, Tedim, Falam, Thantlang and Hakha townships in Chin State	14 Jun 2016- 31 May 2019
Consortium of Dutch NGOs (CDN) including Cordaid and World Concern Myanmar Partners: Karen Baptist Convention (KBC) and KMSS	Improving the Incomes and Nutrition Outcomes of Rural Poor	Agriculture extension and value chain development, natural resource management, land rehabilitation and irrigation, nutrition education, WASH and infrastructure.	Thandaunggyi Township in Kayin State	6 Jul 2016- 30 Jun 2019
World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF) Partners: Yezin University of Forestry	Agroforestry Alternatives to Shifting Cultivation in Myanmar	Demonstration and research, student training and knowledge platform on agro-forestry.	Tedim Township in Chin State and Pinlaung Township in Shan State	22 Oct 2014- 21 Oct 2018
Karen Development Network (KDN) Partners: Convenant Consult and Tanintharyi Karen Peace Support Initiative (TKPSI)	Enhanced Livelihoods for Displaced People (ELDP)	Vocational training and natural resource management, Forest User Groups.	Dawei, Thayetchaung and Palaw townships in Tanintharyi Region	4 Jul 2016- 30 Jun 2019
Metta Development Foundation	Uplands Food Security and Participation in Markets (UFS-PM)	Agriculture extension and value chain development, natural resource management through Farmer Groups and Forest User Groups.	Myitkyina, Waingmaw and Momauk townships in Kachin State and Lashio and Namtu townships in Shan State	17 Jun 2016- 31 May 2019
Myanmar Institute for Integrated Development (MIID) Partners: Cornell University and Yezin Agricultural University	Securing Positive Nutritional Outcomes through Agriculture Extension, Nutritional Education and Institution Building	Nutrition sensitive agriculture extension, nutrition education and gender. Support to the State Agriculture Institute.	Hakha Township	14 Jun 2016- 31 May 2019
SWISSAID Partners: Metta Development Foundation and GRET	Uplands Small-Grants Fund for Civil Society	Local civil society organisation capacity strengthening in livelihoods.	Hakha, Falam, Tedim townships in Chin, Waingmaw, Mohnyin, Mogaung townships in Kachin, Lashio, Kutkai, Kunlong, Pindaya, Hsihseng, Pinlaung, Pekhon townships in Shan, and Loikaw, Demoso, Hpruso townships in Kayah State	29 Jul 2016- 30 Nov 2018
TAG International	Plan Bee: Introduction and Expansion of Modern Beekeeping and Honey Production in Southern Shan State	Vocational training and value chain development for honey.	Pindaya, Ywarngan, Kalaw, Taunggyi and Nyaungshwe townships in Shan State	23 Oct 2013- 21 Mar 2017



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