

# FOOD SECURITY



## THE FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT TO EAT WHEN HUNGRY



ONE OF THE MOST RENOWNED CANADIAN ORGANIZATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, HAS BEEN WORKING IN AFRICA, THE AMERICAS AND ASIA SINCE 1958.



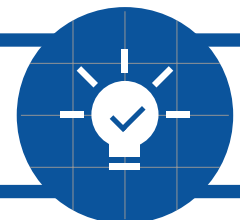
## REALITY



SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S POOR LIVE IN RURAL AREAS AND DEPEND LARGELY ON AGRICULTURE FOR SURVIVAL. NEARLY 870 MILLION PEOPLE, OR ONE IN EIGHT PEOPLE IN THE WORLD, SUFFER FROM CHRONIC UNDER NOURISHMENT. THIS IS PARTICULARLY TRUE FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN WHO GO HUNGRY, DAY IN AND DAY OUT.

■ *NATURAL DISASTERS, FAMINE, EPIDEMICS, DROUGHT, CONFLICT, AILING ECONOMIES, DROPPING PRICES, INFLATION, POLITICAL DECISION, DEFICIENT INFRASTRUCTURES*

## REACTION



### CECI'S KEY TO SUCCESSFULLY

reducing hunger is anchored in our humanistic values, our approaches and our local development practices. This ensures that vulnerable people have access to sufficient quantities of healthy, nutritious food.

### OUR ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE

is to reduce food insecurity for households, particularly those with women and children, in rural and urban areas alike. We also aim for food sovereignty of States.

### TO ENSURE OUR ACTIONS

are long-lasting, our actions are rooted in inclusive, active and equitable participation of women and youth, in environmental protection, and in conflict reduction.

For more than five decades, we have promoted professionalization of farmers, high-performance production techniques, and processing and marketing agricultural products, in order to:

- IMPROVE AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION CAPACITIES
- GENERATE ADDITIONAL REVENUE
- SUPPORT ACCESS TO FOOD
- REDUCE COUNTRIES' FOOD INSECURITY
- INCREASE PRODUCTION AT NATIONAL LEVELS

## EFFET RICOCHET

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CONSOMMATEURS

PRODUCTEURS

# ACTIONS



We meet the immediate needs of the people by organizing quick restoration of agricultural and economic activities after a crisis, such as natural disasters or conflict.

### Beyond just putting food on the table:

We step up to food security challenges and create equitable, sustainable development by expanding promising agricultural sectors. We predict price fluctuations, maximize producer revenues, support advocacy development for improved market conditions, and back government efforts to frame policies promoting local production.

*DIETARY DIVERSITY, MARKET VALUE, MICROCREDIT, CONSOLIDATION, STORAGE, RESEARCH, TECHNOLOGY, GENDER EQUALITY, WORKFORCE TRAINING, EFFICIENCY, WORK ORGANIZATION, PRODUCTIVITY*

### Our actions are rooted in 5 cornerstones:

Agricultural productivity growth, development of a price chain, maximizing off-season activities, respect for cultural practices, and active participation of women and young people.

## 📍 MALI NIGER SENEGAL

### SUPPORT RESILIENCY AMONG VULNERABLE PEOPLE FACING FOOD INSECURITY

Structural poverty makes households vulnerable to crises. The overall objective of these projects is to help communities prepare for such situations. The main activities are to

- support communities struggling with the harsh effects of recurring food and nutritional crises,
- provide support to cereal farmers and market gardeners,
- re-launch agricultural production,
- distribute funds in cash to vulnerable households.



SOME 140,000 PEOPLE HAVE DIRECTLY BENEFITTED FROM THIS SUPPORT. HALF OF THE BENEFICIARIES ARE WOMEN IN THE POOREST OF REGIONS.

## 📍 HAITI MALI SENEGAL

### ALLIANCE AGRICOLE INTERNATIONALE

AAI is a consortium that brings together CECI, SOCODEVI and UPA DI. It promotes sharing knowledge and strengthening the capacities of individuals and institutions working in the agri-food industry. These projects, aimed at creating wealth and equitably distributing it, also promote development of promising agricultural sectors and policies. All these initiatives involve youth and women and are aligned with local government actions.

THE PROJECT TO CONTRIBUTE TO FOOD SECURITY IN HAITI WAS CARRIED OUT OVER 3 YEARS WITH A BUDGET OF \$6 MILLION. IT IMPROVED AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND INCREASED FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE HOUSEHOLDS IN 15 COMMUNES.



## 📍 NEPAL

### SAHAKARYA [WORKING TOGETHER TO BUILD SELF- RELIANT COMMUNITIES]

This project received \$9.5 million in funding over a nine-year period. It supported microcredit organizations, formed cooperatives for improving agricultural and food production, cut back losses between harvests by using better storage, promoted wild plants as consistently available food, and access to food in 500 remote communities.

# 280 000 PEOPLE

IMPROVED THEIR LIVING CONDITIONS AND MORE THAN 1,000 ORGANIZATIONS BUILT UP THEIR SKILLS AND STRUCTURE.

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