



Sudan

Drought Contingency Plan

Experience from AL Salam Locality

The primary purpose of this Drought Contingency Plan is to strengthen the resilience of farming and pastoralist communities in the locality of Al Salam, in the White Nile state, against the severe impacts of recurring droughts and desertification. This plan provides a comprehensive framework for mitigating drought impacts, enhancing preparedness, and establishing efficient response mechanisms.

Potential for Enhanced Community Resilience: The proposed Drought Contingency Plan presents a strong potential to improve the resilience of local communities in Al Salam, particularly smallholder farmers and pastoralists. By implementing targeted interventions in water management, crop and livestock adaptation, and alternative livelihoods, the plan aims to effectively mitigate the impacts of future droughts and secure sustainable livelihoods.

Improvement in Early Warning Systems and Preparedness: The establishment of comprehensive Early Warning Systems (EWS) is expected to significantly enhance the community's preparedness for future drought conditions. By utilizing real-time climate data and monitoring capabilities, the plan proposes to facilitate a proactive response that reduces vulnerability and protects agricultural and pastoral systems.

Strengthening Multi-Stakeholder Collaboration: The plan's future implementation emphasizes building robust partnerships with government entities, NGOs, and community organizations. This collaboration is intended to develop cohesive and resource-efficient strategies, ensuring effective execution and resource mobilization for drought resilience initiatives.

Infrastructure and Institutional Enhancements: The recommendations include developing essential infrastructure, such as rainwater harvesting systems, improved market access, and strengthening institutional frameworks. These measures are poised to address significant resource and policy gaps, supporting both immediate drought response and long-term development.

Focus on Capacity Building and Adaptation: The proposed training and knowledge-sharing initiatives are designed to empower communities with the necessary skills and information to adapt to changing climatic conditions. Emphasizing continuous capacity building establishes

Proposed Short-term Interventions

Water Conservation and Storage

Development of Drought EWS

Protecting Livestock

Supporting Farmers

Adoption of Climate Insurance

Alternative Livelihood Programs

Immediate Coordination and Resource Mobilization

Phased Response Activation

Long-Term Interventions and Assistance

Building Sustainable Capacity

Infrastructure Development

Supporting Farmers

Livestock Management

Alternative Livelihood Programmes

Rehabilitation and Restoration of Forest and Grasslands

Institutional Strengthening and Policy Development

Recovery and Rebuilding

Long-Term Resource Mobilization