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Supplementary Material – Interview Schedule

1. Livelihoods and forms of capital

(a) Tell us about what you do;
(b) Tell us how your work has changed in recent years?
   i. Why has your work changed?
(c) Do you feel you have adapted, or has your lifestyle changed completely?
(d) How has life in your community changed?
   i. Why/why not has community life changed?
(e) What do you need to change your livelihood?
   i. And what do you already have to help you change your livelihood?

2. Gendered effects

(a) Tell us what it’s like to be a woman/man in your community;
(b) What do you think the impacts are of climate change on your life?
(c) How do you think men and women are affected differently to climate change?
   i. If so, why do you think men and women are affected differently?

3. Ecosystems

(a) Do you feel you have experienced climate change?
   i. What experiences do you have of floods, droughts and other environmental changes?
(b) In what ways do you think you rely on the environment to live?
(c) How do you think your livelihood might damage the environment?

4. Policy and participation

(a) Awareness of policy
   i. Local government: how much do you know about national policy? What else would you like to know and why?
ii. Citizens: how much do you know about (a) local government and (b) national government policy for sustainable livelihoods? What do you want to know and why?

(b) Effects on daily living
   i. Local government: What do you specifically do about gender differences in climate change and sustainable livelihoods?
   ii. Citizens: do you think local and national policy on climate change and sustainable livelihoods is effective for your daily life? Why/why not?

(c) What do you think is missing from existing local and national policies for climate adaptation and sustainable livelihoods?

(d) What do you think about the opportunities for community participation in decision-making for climate adaptation and sustainable livelihoods?
   i. Do you feel there are different opportunities for men and women to participate? Why/why not?

5. Cultures and knowledges

(a) Local and traditional knowledge
   i. Local authorities: how do you consult with citizens on climate adaptation and sustainable livelihoods?
   ii. Citizens: how well do you feel your knowledge about the environment is taken into account by the authorities?

(b) Have the relations within your community changed in recent years?
   i. Why do you think this is?

(c) Do you combine local knowledge with science and technology when making decisions about adapting to environmental change in daily life?
   i. Why/why not?

(d) Who do you think is particularly vulnerable to a changing environment?
   i. Why do you think these people are especially vulnerable?