



## MORE THAN ONE BILLION PEOPLE LIVING IN RURAL AREAS AROUND THE WORLD LACK SECURE RIGHTS TO LAND

### LANDESA ENVISIONS A WORLD FREE OF POVERTY

We are committed to a future in which all women and men who depend on land have secure, legal land rights - one of the most powerful tools for lifting oneself, one's family, and one's community out of poverty.

#### land rights: |land ri:ts|

1. The rights of an individual or community to access, own, inherit, and farm the land they depend on to survive.

**LANDESA IS A WORLD LEADER ON ALLEVIATING POVERTY THROUGH LAND RIGHTS.**



FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS, Landesa has partnered with governments, communities, local non-profits, and other stakeholders in 66 countries and counting. Since 2019, Landesa has strengthened land rights for more than 720 million people.

#### IMPACT OF LAND RIGHTS



Moves people out of poverty



Strengthens women's agency



Boosts agricultural productivity & security



Improves health & nutrition



Enhances conservation efforts



Increases educational outcomes



Reduces conflict

#### GLOBAL PRESENCE

Landesa uses a multi-pronged approach to provide policy and implementation support at the national, state, and local levels and advocate for land rights in global and regional agendas. With a strong focus on collaboration with government and local partners, we build capacity in-country to ensure equal rights for all.



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## OUR MULTIFACETED APPROACH

- We work with **governments** on **law and policy reform** to deliver lasting systemic change for millions of people.
- We partner with local **civil society** organizations to ensure the impact of these changes reaches **communities**—spreading **education and awareness** around land rights and promoting norms and customs that empower women and men to own land.
- We **advocate** for the importance of land rights in regional and global fora, catalyzing a worldwide land rights movement and strengthening political will.
- We offer training and expertise to **build capacity** of governments and civil society organizations, growing the field of land rights practitioners.
- We build the **evidence base** for the effectiveness of land rights as an intersectional solution to improve livelihoods, empower women, and confront climate change.
- We offer land rights guidance to **businesses** to improve outcomes and opportunities for communities and help companies do business in a trustworthy, transparent, and socially responsible way.

### POVERTY ALLEVIATION

Three-quarters of people experiencing poverty live in rural areas where land is a key asset. Secure land rights offer a foundation for farmers to increase crop production, build a business, or otherwise grow their livelihoods.

### GENDER EQUITY

Land ownership can strengthen a woman's agency and household decision-making power, creating a powerful ripple effect to benefit her family and community.

### CLIMATE JUSTICE

Climate change is degrading the lands more than 2.5 billion people rely on for their livelihoods. Secure land rights create the conditions and incentives for rural land users—including women, Indigenous Peoples, and youth—to invest in sustainable practices like soil restoration, tree planting, and climate-smart agriculture, enhancing climate mitigation and adaptation.

