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NUTRITION SENSITIVE AGRICULTURE



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How nutritionsensitive agriculture impacts nutrition Image shows a smiling father sharing a green apple with his young daughter. Image source: AdobeStock

Nutrition-sensitive agriculture addresses the underlying causes of malnutrition along three main pathways:

- Food production
- Income generation
- Women's Empowerment

The pathways help us identify where and how to design effective interventions to improve nutrition and gender equality outcomes.

Production pathway

- Worldwide, food production is high enough to feed the world's population
- Yet, hunger continues
 — many people cannot access or afford food
- About 1/3 of all food produced is lost in the food supply chain.
- Recovering just half could feed the world.



Agriculture income

How many people are involved in agriculture? Globally: 1 in 3 workers
In sub-Saharan Africa: 60% of the workforce

Typically, this is self-employment or unpaid family work— many are subsistence farmers

Investments in agriculture help reduce poverty
GDP growth generated by agriculture is 4X more
effective at reducing poverty than growth generated by
other sectors

Women's empowerment is a pathway, but gender impacts all aspects of nutrition-sensitive agriculture.

LET'S REVIEW

- Three interrelated pathways between agriculture and nutrition:
 - Food production
 - Income generation
 - Women's Empowerment







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Thank you!