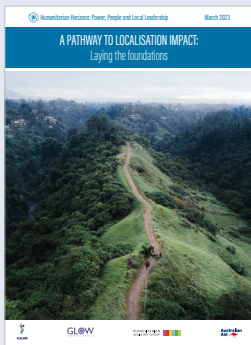




Overview

The humanitarian sector has made significant progress in measuring the process of localisation, with various frameworks and tools supporting organisations on their journey towards more localised humanitarian action.¹ Despite this progress, there is insufficient sector-wide understanding of if and how localised practices are benefiting affected communities. The lack of evidence regarding the impact of localisation has become an obstacle to progress towards more locally led humanitarian action.² Working within the Power and Local Leadership stream of the Humanitarian Horizons 2021–24 research program, Humanitarian Advisory Group (HAG, Australia), GLOW Consultants (Pakistan), the Institute of Innovation for Gender and Humanitarian Transformation (inSights, Bangladesh), the Pujiono Centre (Indonesia), Collaborate Consulting Pty Ltd (CoLAB, Fiji), and the Pacific Island Association of non-Governmental Organisations (PIANGO) set out to explore how to fill this gap.

A pathway to localisation impact: Laying the foundations

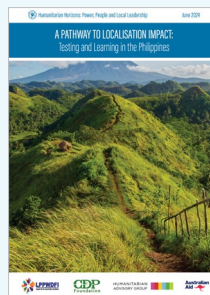
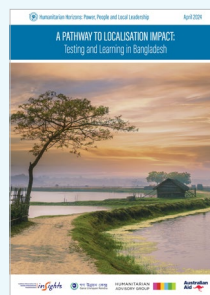
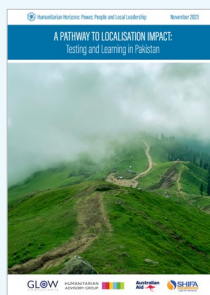


This paper summarises evidence and ideas about localisation impact at the community level. It identifies key domains of impact that can be integrated into the program management cycle, in order to strengthen data collection and analysis,

from inception to evaluation and reflection. It also proposes an approach to data gathering that is based on an articulation and exploration of causal pathways. Its objective is to support humanitarian actors to better define and understand the impact of their localisation practices on crisis-affected populations.

Testing and learning from case studies

These three papers share learning from case studies testing the proposed model and approach for measuring localisation impact in Pakistan, Bangladesh and the Philippines.



The beginning of the road: A practical approach to defining and measuring localisation impact for communities

This document outlines a framework for defining and measuring the impact of localised practices at the community level, and offers detailed guidance for implementation with key partners. It includes:

- working versions of intended impact statements, aligned to the domains of change
- potential logic chains as the basis for a project log frame
- an example measurement matrix, and
- applied examples of how to measure change for each area.

It also provides an overview of how to use the framework, to guide users to put it into practice.



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