

Document 10: Pastoral Women's Council Webpage

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A Deeper Dive: Activities & Outcomes

PWC has been actively engaging communities and women's groups over the past three years to address the harsh impacts of climate change. Pastoralist communities, in particular, face threats to their way of life and food security due to climate-related hazards such as droughts, food insecurity, and flooding. Despite both men and women being equally exposed to these challenges, women often have limited access to resources and alternative livelihood opportunities, leaving them particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change.

In Longido district, a climate change education program trained community members across several villages, fostering awareness and skills for adaptation and mitigation. One such solution that PWC piloted in 2023 is the establishment of grass seed banks. These are small parts of communal land that are set aside for the production of grass and grass seeds to support restoration of the degraded rangelands, maintain indigenous rangeland grasses, and provide income-generating activities for women. The grasses being grown are managed by 101 women.



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