APPENDICES

APPENDIX I INTERVIEW GUIDES

APPENDIX IA COMMUNITY INTERVIEW GUIDE

ISSUES TO PURSUE IN COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Explain the purpose of the meeting (contextualise in Sesotho)

- The study is about the issues pertaining to land, land acts and laws that govern land.
- We want to understand your problems as a community such as agriculture, livelihoods, poverty and illnesses and these issues are related to your problems.
- We also want to determine how these laws affect the livelihoods of the community members.
- What do you consider to be the **most serious problems facing this community** at present?
- What do you consider to be the **most serious problems facing most households** in this community these days?
- Is **chronic illnesses or long-term illnesses** a serious problem among the community members? Which diseases are more common?
- If yes, which categories are mostly **afflicted** by illness? E.g. elderly, young people, men, women, children, the poor, widows?
- Check their understanding of the Land Act 1979.
- Check awareness /understanding of the proposed land policy.

APPENDIX IB INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR WOMEN'S GROUPS

EFFECTS OF CHRONIC ILLNESSES ON LAND ISSUES AND LIVELIHOODS

Summarise issues raised on common illnesses and problems, then focus.

- What do you think are the **contributing factors** to these problems?
- In some places people indicate that these days people don't get cured even when they seek medical assistance. Would you say it is also the case in this community?
- Which categories are mostly **affected by chronic illness**? E.g. the elderly, young people, men, women, children, the poor, widows?
- Explain how they are affected by the chronic illnesses.
- Looking at say 5 years ago, would you say households in this village are better off or worse off?

(Indicators: sufficient food or yields, livestock numbers, employment and cash income, labour force participation in agriculture, education of children, number of deaths, diseases....)

- How do you account for the observed changes?
- Let's suppose a man dies and leaves his wife and children do you think the widow and orphans will be treated fairly by the members of the family/community?
- e.g. are widowed women allowed to keep their husbands' property such as fields, livestock, farm equipment, etc?

What happens to the arable land?

- When both parents die and leave young children (say under 18 years) what happens with them?
- What are the rights of the orphans to the land?
- Can women hold titles to land regardless of their marital status?
- What happens with their parents' property?
- If it is a farming household, do you think the household will be able to maintain the previous production levels:
 - When there is a member who is chronically ill?
 - When one of the adult members dies?
 - When any member dies?

Are there any efforts by the community/ extended family members to assist families affected by chronic illness? How do they help?

VENN DIAGRAMS on organisations: How active they are? Where they are based? Frequency of visits? Assistance offered? Perceptions?

To what extent is AIDS/HIV a problem in this community? (PROBE for signs and symptoms that they identify with HIV)

APPENDIX IC INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR MEN'S GROUPS

MEN'S FOCUS GROUP

LAND ISSUES

- 1. Find out their awareness of the Land Act of 1979 and the proposed Land Policy.
- 2. Do people ever apply for leases? (If yes, are leases ever transferred or used as collateral for credit?).
- 3. Problems associated with acquiring leases or using them at the bank?
- 4. Are there incidences of land sales and land conversions in the village (are these promoted by leaseholds?
- 5. Who is buying land? (Locals or outsiders?) For what purpose?
- 6. Looking at 5 years or so ago, would you say land sales are increasing, decreasing or the same?
- 7. If there are increases, how do you account for these? Would you say these have anything to do with chronic illnesses, poverty affecting households, etc (**PROBE**)

INHERITANCE

- 8. What happens to the land if the titleholder dies leaving a widow behind?
- 9. When both parents die and leave young children (say under 18 years) what happens with them?
- 10. What are the rights of the orphans to the land if both parents die?
- 11. Can women hold titles regardless of marital status?
- 12. Let's suppose a man dies and leaves his wife and children, will the widow and orphans be treated fairly by the members of the family regarding land inheritance?

e.g. are widowed women allowed to keep their husbands' property such as fields, livestock, farm equipment, etc?

13. What happens to the arable land?

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APPENDIX ID INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY BASED INSTITUTIONS FOCUS GROUPS

(Village Health Workers, Traditional Healers, Community Care-takers, Social Workers, AIDS Counsellors, Extension workers, LHDA Health Workers)

HIV/AIDS PREVALENCE AND LEVEL OF SUPPORT

- 1. The extent of HIV/AIDS in the community, which groups of people are affected most, what are the perceived causes?
- 2. In what ways does the problem of HIV/AIDS affect people's livelihoods?
- 3. The most active Govt. Departments/NGO's? Where are these based? How often do they visit? Which are their target groups? (VENN DIAGRAM)
- 4. What kind of assistance do community members get? Feelings, perceptions about the assistance (adequacy, approach, whether or not it is geared towards the right groups, problems?)
- 5. What is the extent of stigma and how do you deal with it?

APPENDIX IE INTERVIEW GUIDE FOR COMMUNITY LEADERS

(Chiefs/Headmen, Former VDC Members, Land Allocation committees, Elderly).

FALLOW LAND

- 1. Are there incidences of fallow land in the area?
- 2. Is there a noticeable increase due to poverty/chronic illnesses?
- 3. What do **households** affected by chronic illnesses do to avoid their land being fallow?
- 4. What action is taken on fallow land **by authorities**? Does the same **rule** apply even for households that are affected by chronic illnesses?
- 5. Perceptions on fairness
- 6. What happens to the land if the titleholder dies leaving a widow behind?
- 7. When both parents die and leave young children (say under 18 years) what happens with them?
- 8. What are the rights of the orphans to the land if both parents die?
- 9. Can women hold titles regardless of marital status?

Selected Agricultural Areas (SAAs)

- 1. What do you see as **advantages/disadvantages** of the proposed consolidation of small plots into large, possibly irrigated ones?
- 2. To what extent is HIV/AIDS a problem in this community? (**PROBE for signs and symptoms that they identify with HIV**).
- 3. Which groups of people are affected most, what are the perceived causes?
- 4. How would this proposal affect the households affected by HIV/AIDS?