

## PIIRS Brief

**2020 Strategy:** The strategy outlines CI's commitment to: Reduce poverty and social injustice for 150 million people by 2020; Focus on four programme areas: Humanitarian, SRMH and GBV, WEE and FNS; Apply a CARE Approach to all areas of programming and action. The CARE Approach has 3 components – strengthening gender equality and women's voices, promoting inclusive governance and increasing resilience. These three have been chosen because we believe that gender inequality, poor governance and vulnerability to shocks are the underlying causes of poverty and injustice. To measure progress towards the goal of the 2020 strategy, CI crafted 25 global outcome and change indicators that will make it clear where change has happened. There are 18 impact/outcome indicators, 3 approach indicators and 4 role indicators. Each CARE projects must report on at least one outcome indicator and one approach or role indicator.

**PIIRS:** PIIRS was introduced by the CI MEL team in 2014 to inform the public, donors, staff and others, on the breadth and depth of CARE's work. It also allows CARE staff to obtain and summarize data, for multiple uses inside and outside the organization. Finally, it motivates the improvement of quality in our information, globally. PIIRS has two parts the online database and the forms.

**(i) Online Database:** The online database houses all PIIRS data for all COs since FY14. Data on the database can be exported to Excel and used offline. Kindly ensure that you can log in to the database <https://piirs.care.org>. If you have issues email [ababington@care.org](mailto:ababington@care.org).

**(ii) Forms:** The excel forms are used to collect the data that is feed into PIIRS database. In the four fiscal years that the PIIRS system has been around, the forms have been changed three times based on feedback from COs to improve the data entry experience for CO staff.

**Reach Form:** The reach form captures number of direct and indirect participants disaggregated by themes/sector under either the humanitarian assistance section or the development sector. The reach forms also help inform the role and approach indicators mentioned earlier. Finally, the reach form also allows the CI MEL to obtain a count of the projects and initiatives that are playing the roles identified in the 2020 strategy.

**Markers** The reach form includes three markers for gender, inclusive governance and resilience which measure how projects are incorporating the CARE approaches. The scores, which range from 0 to 4, are calculated using a vetting form. The meaning of each score varies slightly by marker, but generally a score of 0 is poor and a score of 4 is excellent. Kindly note that the markers are more than scores. They are to assist project staff to understand how projects currently incorporate the CARE approaches and where improvements can be made if necessary.

**Impact:** The impact form captures the positive changes that CARE and its partners are having in the life of beneficiaries both quantitatively and qualitatively. Only projects with two time points of data can submit an impact form. Acceptable sources of data include formal evaluations, impact studies, data from reputable national organizations or intergovernmental organizations. If you are not sure if a source is a suitable data source check with a member of the PQL team.

**Global Indicator Mapping:** Prior to completing the impact form projects need to be mapped against the global indicators. Project managers should decide which outcome areas apply to their projects then pick at least one indicator in each outcome area that the project had data on or could obtain data for in the future.

**Thank you for Reading. For more information kindly see the PIIRS presentation and the notes contained therein.**