



Quarterly report
July-September 2019

Evidence uptake and use from 3ie-funded studies

3ie-supported evidence informs World Food Programme's global nutrition policy and operational strategy



The World Food Programme is using evidence from [a 3ie working paper](#) that synthesised findings and lessons from four 3ie-supported impact evaluations of the organisation's interventions to improve nutrition and food security outcomes in the Sahel. The working paper included clear, actionable recommendations that are [being used to improve](#) the organisation's global nutrition policy (2017-21) and operational strategies in the Sahel and globally. Forging better partnerships to

enhance operational effectiveness, context-specific layering of different types of interventions following a nutrition situation analysis and improving cost data collection are among the several changes that have been informed by this evidence. [View brief](#) | [View working paper](#) | [View 3ie How-To video](#)

3ie-supported study wins Best of UNICEF Research 2019 Award

A [3ie-supported impact evaluation](#) on the effects of humanitarian assistance provided to internally displaced people in the Democratic Republic of Congo is one of three studies that has been awarded the [Best of UNICEF Research 2019](#). The evaluation shows that provision of essential household items via vouchers causes substantial improvement in adult mental health and well-being. The DRC Humanitarian Pooled Fund, UNOCHA and UNICEF DRC co-supported this evaluation.

This is one of seven completed impact evaluations under 3ie's [humanitarian assistance](#) programme, in which evaluations look at questions related to malnutrition, food security, resilience and multi-sectoral humanitarian programming in [Chad](#), [DRC](#), [Mali](#), [Niger](#), [Pakistan](#), [Sudan](#) and [Uganda](#). [Read more](#).

New 3ie publications

Evidence gap map briefs: [Performance measurement and management in primary healthcare systems in low- and middle-income countries: an evidence gap map](#) and [Intimate partner violence prevention evidence gap map: 2018 update](#)

Evidence gap map report: [Intimate partner violence prevention evidence gap map: 2018 update](#)

Evidence use brief: [Using evidence to improve pollution regulation in India](#)

Impact evaluation reports: [Increasing HIV self-testing and linkage to care for partners of women in antenatal care in Uganda](#) and [In search of the holy grail: can unconditional cash transfers graduate households out of poverty in Zambia](#)

Impact evaluation briefs: [Impacts of community environmental monitoring in the Ecuadorian and Peruvian Amazon](#), [Evaluating how Ghana's Petroleum Revenue Management Act has improved transparency and accountability](#), [Harnessing transparency initiatives to improve India's environmental clearance process for the mineral mining sector](#), [Using community stakeholder interventions to increase transparency and accountability in Uganda's extractives sector](#) and [Breaking the political resource curse in natural gas management in Mozambique](#)

Systematic review: [Incentives for climate mitigation in the land use sector – the effects of payment for environmental services \(PES\) on environmental and socio-economic outcomes in low- and middle-income countries: a mixed-method systematic review](#)

Systematic review brief: [Payment for environmental services](#)

Systematic review summary: [Economic self-help group programmes for improving women's empowerment](#)

3ie-funded studies and 3ie publications in peer-reviewed publications

Please click [here](#) to access the list of all the 3ie funded studies and 3ie produced publications appearing in peer-reviewed publications

3ie @ recent events

3ie seminar | [Does promoting citizen engagement in the governance of public services improve development outcomes?](#) London, UK, 25 September.

3ie conference | [Producing and using evidence for policymaking in West Africa](#), Cotonou, Benin 2 September.

3ie @ global conference | [2019 Asian Evaluation Week](#), Conference, Kunming, People's Republic of China, 2-6 September

3ie conference | [Promoting latrine use for Swachh Bharat](#), New Delhi, India, 9 August

3ie conference | [2nd KDI School-3ie-ADB conference on impact evaluation in development research](#), Seoul, South Korea, 7 August

3ie seminar | [Socio-economic and environmental impacts of the Konkan Railway in India](#), New Delhi, India, 26 July

3ie blogs

[Is it possible to combine capacity development with a rapid synthesis response to an evidence request?](#) by Birte Snilstveit, Jennifer Stevenson, Laurenz Langer

Registry for International Development Impact Evaluations and the Impact Evaluation and Systematic Reviews Repositories

Registrations in the [Registry for International Development Impact Evaluations](#) increased from 176 to 181 in the last quarter. The [Impact Evaluation Repository](#) has a total of 4,802 records. The [Systematic Review Repository](#) now has 692 records.

Bursaries

3ie awarded 19 bursaries, 37 per cent of which were given to women applicants. The awardees were from Sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia, East Asia and the Pacific. In this quarter, bursaries were awarded for the Evidence to Action Conference in Ghana, a development education training in Johannesburg, a workshop on evaluating social programmes organised by CLEAR – South Asia in New Delhi, and for an impact evaluation course in Ghana.

New funding

- The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation has awarded approximately USD 5 million over the next three years for supporting 3ie's general operations.
- Millennium Challenge Corporation has signed a partnership contract with 3ie for USD 399,799 for strengthening evidence and economic modelling partnership.
- The Benin government contributed USD 610,000 to jointly produce evidence and promote its use through the West Africa Capacity-building and Impact Evaluation Program.
- Oxford Policy Management signed an engagement contract with 3ie for doing research work for GBP 50,000 under the Centre of Excellence for Development Impact and Learning.
- German development agency, GIZ has signed a contract with 3ie for EUR 114,284 for doing a systematic review to inform policy and practice for transition aid.

3ie finances

As of 30 September 2019, 3ie's assets stood at USD 51.53 million, including USD 33.17 million held in bank and investment accounts, USD 18.08 million as grants receivable, i.e. undisbursed balances in signed grant agreements, USD 0.28 million in other receivables, fixed assets and deposits, and the accrued liabilities for expense and grants payables at USD 0.73 million. Total expenses in the quarter were USD 2.78 million, of which USD 1.11 million were grant expenses.