

# THEORY OF CHANGE

Fewer women and girls are exposed to gender-based violence

IMPACT

LONG-TERM OUTCOME

MEDIUM-TERM OUTCOME

OUTPUTS

INPUTS

CAPACITY

RESEARCH

UPTAKE

INNOVATION

RESPONSES

BARRIERS

Build knowledge of social and economic determinants of VAWG in different settings

Build the evidence base through new evaluation research

Fund new high quality innovative programmers

understand how to strengthen responses

build the capacity of stakeholding primary prevention of VAWG

Disseminate knowledge

Build knowledge of costs of VAWG prevention and impact of scale up on costs

Build VAWG prevention programming and research expertise

Limited understanding of primary prevention and differentiating it from response

Limited science of 'what works' in VAWG prevention

Overwhelming donor emphasis on strengthening responses

Political sensitivity of the issues, especially resistance to implementing gender transformative programmers

Limited funds

Limited VAWG research evaluation expertise global

Insufficient conceptual strong interventions ready to evaluate

The highest quality impact evaluations are technically very complex studies

Limited understanding of what is evidence-based VAWG prevention

Low political priority leading to inadequate resources

Perception that programmes are complex, expensive and hard to scale up.

VAWG not a priority area of investment

BARRIERS TO INVESTMENT IN PREVENTION

BARRIERS TO EFFECTIVE EVALUATION RESEARCH

BARRIERS TO DELIVERING PREVENTION AT SCALE

PROBLEM

Globally one in three woman and girls experience violence in their lifetime. This is driven by the low status and power of women and girls, patriarchal social norms, and social norms that regard the use of violence as acceptable, constructions of masculinity the emphasis control and dominance over women, and high levels of exposure to abuse and emotional trauma. It is exacerbated by poverty, problematic alcohol use and limited political and institutional will to prevent and respond. Despite this evidence, investment VAWG prevention is inadequate.

An expanded cadre of researchers who can to conduct rigorous VAWG prevention evaluation research and to use evidence to influence policy and practice

Better VAWG prevention knowledge generation informed by stronger research designs

Major resource mobilisation for VAWG prevention from national treasuries and donors

Widespread adoption of a country-level of evidence-based and funded VAWG prevention strategy

Growing recognition that VAWG can be prevented

Greater openness to new generation interventions

Researchers equipped to continue to undertake VAWG prevention research

Programmers equipped to design better VAWG prevention interventions and to scale up

Interventions ready for scale up, or export and adaptation for use elsewhere

Knowledge to inform the next generation of interventions in research

Knowledge to guide country-level and global strategies for VAWG prevention

More confidence in the field

More funds

More evidence-based programming

Fewer women and girls experiencing VAWG

Incremental advance in knowledge of design and delivery of complex interventions

#programmers, stakeholders and research with an in-depth understanding of evidence-based VAWG prevention

# research equipped to undertake VAWG prevention research

Research reports and summaries of the findings of 21-26 impact evaluation and operations research project

At least 26 peer-reviewed journal articles published

Conference presentations given, and web summaries developed

A series of knowledge synthesis reports published for stakeholders and programmers with accompanying peer-review journal articles

# of stakeholders understanding the role of science in VAWG prevention

Impact of research on policy

# women and girls who are recipients of VAWG prevention

New generations of intervention for VAWG prevention

Bespoke in-person, email and videoconference TA

Monthly webinar learning labs held over four year

Learning through doing

Initial workshop for innovation grantees and annual meeting of researchers and programmers

Experiences and tools disseminated through website, list serv, conferences and digital platforms

World leading scientific expertise

Community of practise among researchers

Funding for development of 10-14 programmes through innovation grants

Funding for 5 operations research studies, 5 evaluation grant programmes, and 6 impact evaluations

Funding for economic evaluation of interventions and scale up

Strategic investment in research uptake

multi-level communications plan and strategy for uptake globally and in-country

Multi-media stakeholder capacity building

Publication synthesising research findings and implications for policy and programming

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