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## In Mozambique, Building Trust Through Land Rights



In this blog originally published by the [World Bank](#), USAID/Mozambique's Paula Pimentel highlights how USAID trains villagers to map property boundaries with the help of handheld GPS devices. This is the story of how land documentation is building trust in one village in Mozambique. And this story is unfolding in hundreds of villages across the region and holds lessons for how other communities and countries can make the same ascent.

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## Gender-Based Violence and Land Documentation & Administration in Zambia: Emerging Lessons from Implementation



This brief draws from USAID's experience supporting systematic land documentation in Zambia to further advance awareness and knowledge about the relationship between gender-based violence (GBV) and the access, use, and control of land and property. It aims to inform current and future design and implementation of programs that promote land-based investment and land rights (particularly women's land rights) by civil society organizations, other donors, and the private sector.

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## Tumaco, Colombia Mayor's Hopes for Land Formalization



The health crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has shown that land formalization is

vital to strengthen the role of health entities in rural Colombia. In Tumaco, 85 percent of the parcels are informally owned, illicit crops cover thousands of hectares, and the risk of antipersonnel landmines is high. **Tumaco Mayor, María Emilsen Angulo**, talks about the new USAID-supported land formalization campaign and how it could solve some of the problems that have hindered rural development for decades.

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Learn more about how USAID/Colombia is supporting the land formalization process in Tumaco and other areas as part of its national strategy.

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## Case Study: Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining in Madre De Dios, Peru



This case study examines the complex drivers behind the gold mining sector and its devastating environmental and social repercussions. The new study looks at strategies the Government of Peru is employing to address the sector's rapid growth, including mining formalization, cleaner mining techniques, alternative livelihood programs, and new policies to regulate and monitor mining activity.

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## Raising the Chips for Women Potato Farmers in India





A PepsiCo-USAID pilot project aims to train Bengal's women on potato cultivation. It hopes to raise female participation rate in agriculture in the State, which varies from an abysmal 1-15 percent from district to district, as well as skill them to be independent.

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## Announcing New Mission Support Activity for Integrated Environmental Programming



USAID is pleased to announce a new jointly managed global integrated resource management activity that provides multi-sectoral programming support to Missions. The Integrated Natural Resource Management (INRM) activity provides on-demand support

services and technical assistance for USAID Missions, Bureaus and Independent Offices across a wide array of integrated environmental and natural resource management issues. INRM will provide technical assistance for integrated programming in alignment with the two priority areas and the implementation actions outlined in the Agency's **Environmental and Natural Resource Management (ENRM) Framework**. By using a multi-sectoral lens, INRM seeks to strengthen the impact of USAID's core environmental programming as well as programming in related sectors by recognizing synergies, adopting best practices, and building broader constituencies for integrated programming.

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## Partnership Opportunities for Sustainable Landscapes



The Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) seeks opportunities to co-create, co-design, co-invest, and collaborate in the research, development, piloting, and scaling of innovative interventions for reducing land-based greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and increasing long-term carbon sequestration at scale. USAID invites organizations, companies, foundations, community-based enterprises and other public and private entities, academic and research institutions, partner country government agencies, and investors to propose novel or creative approaches for achieving these objectives and at the same time promoting inclusive, economic growth, conserve biodiversity and sustainably manage natural resources, advancing democratic values, promoting transparency and the rule of law, and contributing to greater prosperity and well-being.

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## Land for Prosperity in Colombia -



## Program Highlights



The Land for Prosperity Activity in Colombia highlights some of its major achievements in land formalization, the establishment of the new local land office in Catatumbo, and the roundtable discussion for public safety and community. The Activity supports the Government of Colombia in improving rural households' conditions to achieve licit economic development through land tenure strengthening, based on massive access to land titles, development of local government capacity for land administration, and citizens' integration to licit socioeconomic opportunities.

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Another success story on Building the Community from the Land highlights how the program helps increase land security, prevent displacement, and create an environment for sustainable rural development.

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## Land Leasing and Community Agronomists: Lessons Learned from New Approaches to Empower Women in the Potato Supply Chain in India



The USAID-PepsiCo partnership in West Bengal, India, is strengthening women's land rights and economically empowering women in the PepsiCo potato supply chain. New technical briefs share the outcomes and lessons learned from some of the innovative strategies implemented during the first year. The [Working with Community Agronomists brief](#) shows how USAID trained local women to support potato farmers and to highlight how women can be community-recognized sources of agronomy knowledge and mentors. The [Self-Help Group Land Leasing brief](#) (also available as a [full report](#)) shares lessons from using land leasing as a strategy for groups of women to access land to cultivate potatoes and successfully enter the PepsiCo supply chain.

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