



**WE-RISE!**

Women Empowerment for Resilience,  
Inclusion, Sustainability and Environment

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting

10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December 2012/3

# WHERE WE STAND with WE-RISE! Project

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## Women's Empowerment for Resilience, Inclusion, Sustainability and Environment

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# 12.728.000

Euro

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Emergency Trust Fund

# 38

Month

1<sup>st</sup> February 2021 to

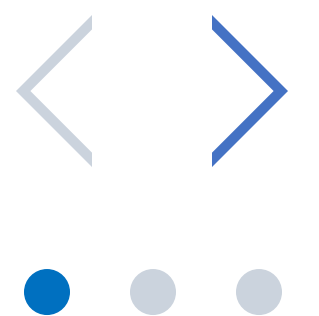
31<sup>st</sup> March 2024

# 3

Target Areas

Kassala, Gedaref, Red Sea

Implemented by





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## Women's Empowerment for Resilience, Inclusion, Sustainability and Environment

### Project Budget per Result (8,840,985)

RESULT 1

RESULT 2

RESULT 3

€ 6,430,985

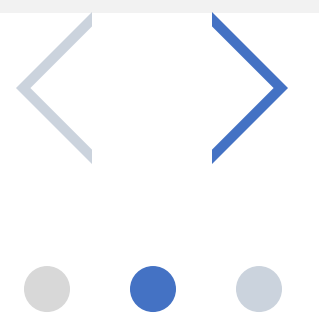
€ 1,500,000

€ 910,000

Access of young women living in vulnerable situations to a more inclusive market system is enhanced.

**Women's entrepreneurial** capacities and leadership skills are strengthened for effective engagement in value chain and gender equality patterns transformation.

Positive social norms and attitudes towards gender **equality and women's** economic empowerment are embraced by families and communities.





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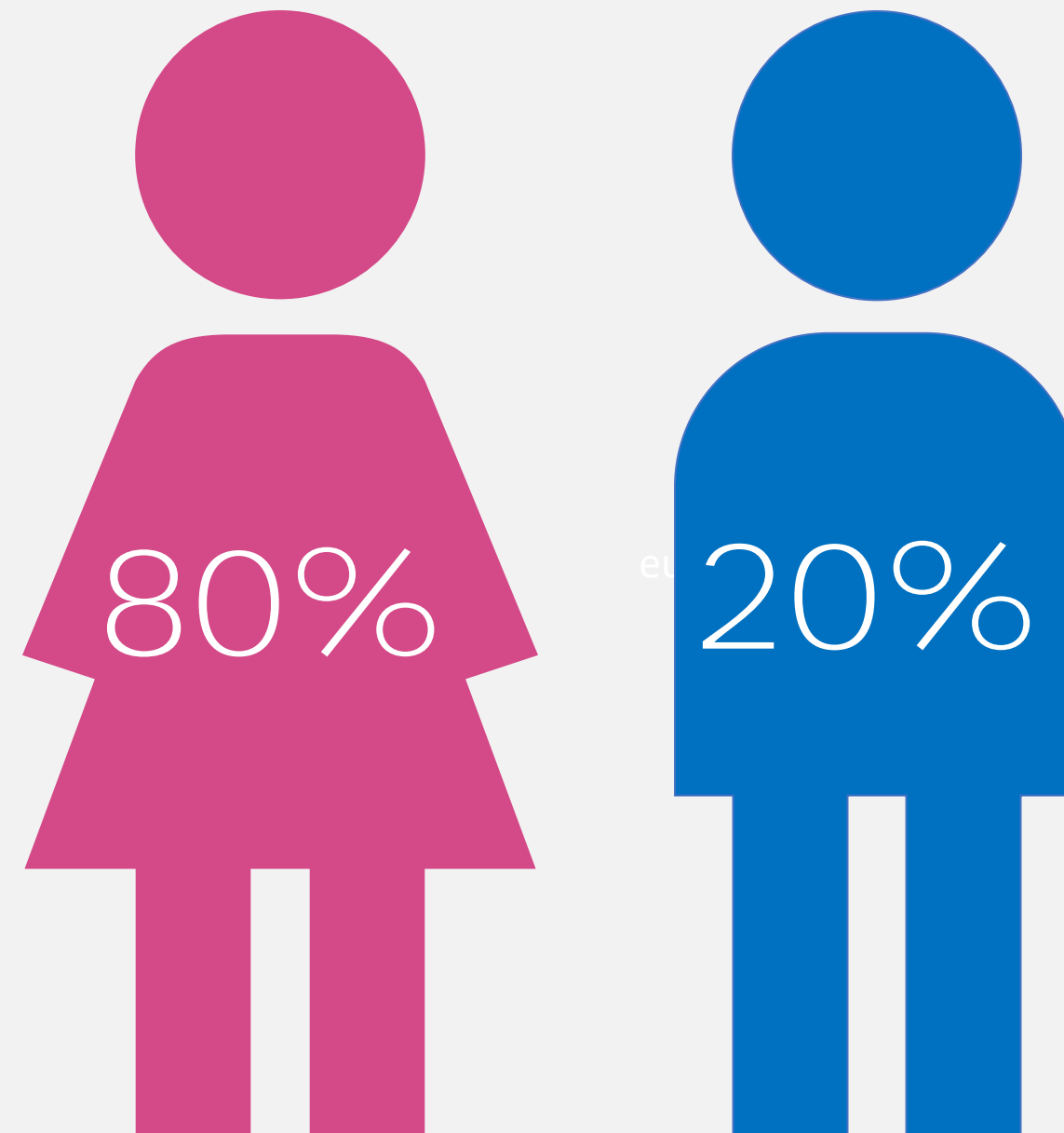
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## Women's Empowerment for Resilience, Inclusion, Sustainability and Environment

Target Group

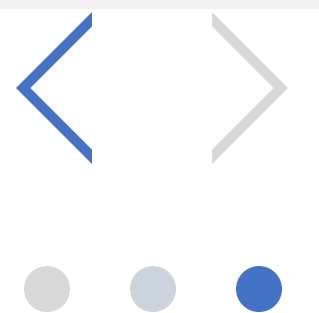
# 21.670

People with vulnerabilities



### Indirect Beneficiaries

- Financial institutions:  
Local and commercial banks and  
microfinance and credit institutions;
- Academic institutions;
- Trade unions, Chamber of Commerce;
- Women Groups, Local NGOs and CSOs.



# PROJECT OVERVIEW



# KEY ACHIEVEMENTS & BUDGET ALLOCATION



## Financial Inclusion

Revolving Funds, VSLAs, Incubator, Cooperative Loan, Agrobusiness, Fund Manager I / 5 Service providers & 1 Supplier contracted (PASED, CDF, Avrio Impact - IFAAS and Ebdaa Bank, MDF-Savannah, CTC, 249 Startups - Bank of Khartoum).

68%



## Entrepreneurial Capacity

6 **women's** association were established; Key stakeholders from Kassala and Gedaref were capacitated on positive social norms and **women's** rights. Agreements signed with the universities in the three States; **Women's** centres for food production were identified.

100%



## Positive Social Norms

Local WEE action plans, Gender Champions – act against GBV, Entrepreneurship clubs, HeforShe Campaign/ Mercy Corps - Jasmara, CSOs; Media workers; Religious leaders.

100%

# CHALLENGES & MITIGATION MEASURES

## Conflict

- Team and Activities relocated to other States
- Closer monitoring and more frequent funds disbursement
- Emergency Responses
- New categories of population in need



## Economic, Political, Social and Health Instability

- Timeframe and activities adjustments based on changing needs
- Risk Analysis Tool
- Fostering economic stability and sustainable market growth

## Limited Field Access

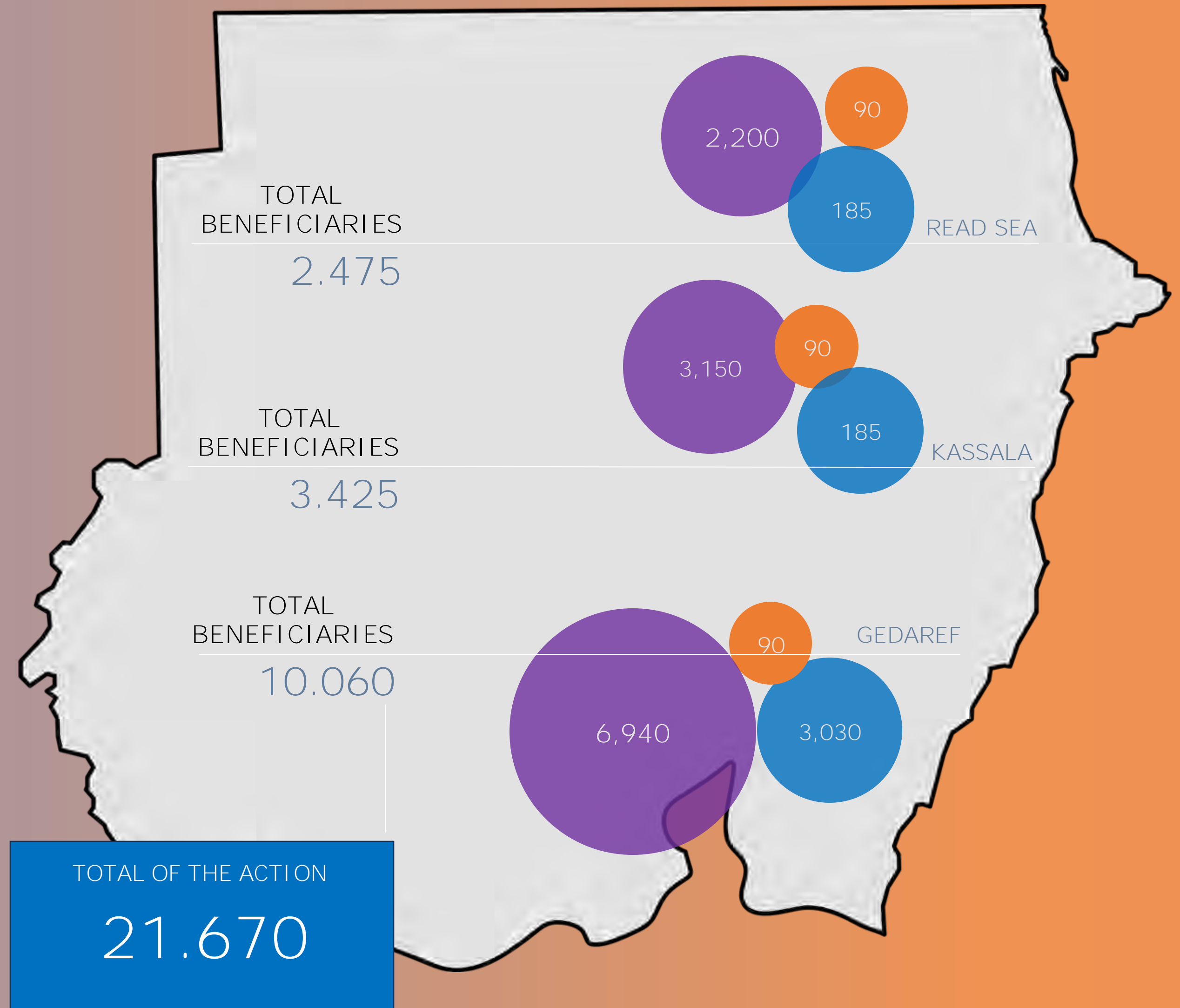
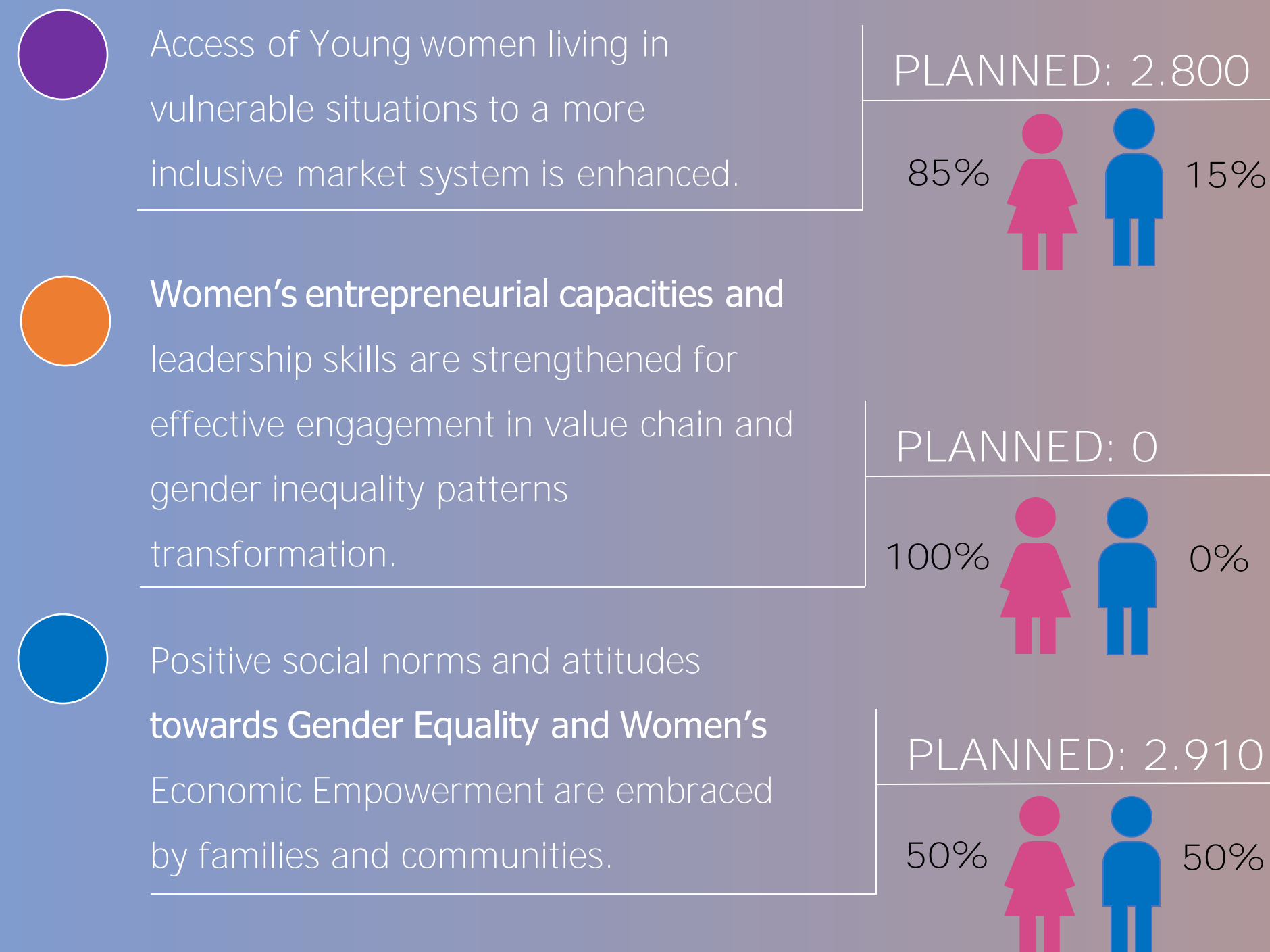
- Remote team management
- Remote Monitoring System

## Communication and Visibility

- Virtual Meeting
- Use of the Virtual Platform



# BENEFICIARIES PER STATE AND RESULT

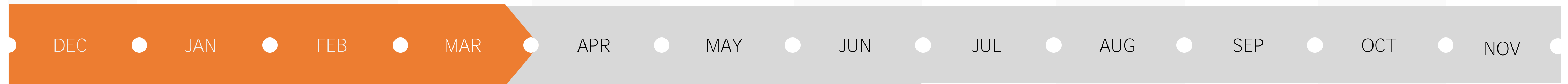




# PROJECT TIMELINE FOLLOWING STEPS

2023

2024



Dec. 2023 – Jan / Feb 2024

**100% Allocated**

- 1. Progress Report
- 2. NCE
- 3. New Logical Framework

**39% Remaining**

Expected project end date: November 2024

31<sup>o</sup> March 2024 - Closing of

**61% Spent**

- 1. Revolving Funds
- 2. VSLAs
- 3. Incubator
- 4. Cooperative Loan
- 5. Fund Manager I

Interventions on:

- 1. Health
  - 2. Fund Manager II
  - 3. SRHRs and GBV-Related Support
- Monitoring and Evaluation

# BEST PRACTICE STRATEGIES



# ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

## Local NGOs and CSOs Women Groups,

Mercy Corps Netherlands,  
JASMAR Human Security Organization



## Financial Institutions

Microfinanza Srl, PASED,  
Child Development Foundation,  
MDF-Savannah, Avrio Impact,  
IFAAS and Ebdaa Bank, CTC,  
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## Institutional

European Union,  
Italian Embassy - Khartoum  
AICS, UN Women  
Academic Institutions in Sudan



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No one can whistle  
a symphony.  
It takes an orchestra  
to play it.

*Halford Luccock*

Thanks!



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