VFL 2019

Views from the Frontline **(VFL) 2019** mobilises local civil society organisations to collect perspectives on risk and resilience from individuals, organisations and government representatives at the local level.

HOW CAN I USE

VIEWS FROM THE FRONTLINE

DATA?

What data are collected?

Data collected include perceptions on:

- ▶ Priority threats
- ▶ Barriers to risk reduction
- ▶ Trends in disaster losses
- ▶ Levels of inclusion of communities in risk governance
- ▶ Progress in integrating DRR, climate change and sustainable development in local policies

Can I use it for better policy-making?

Yes. By designing policies that are informed by the priorities of those most at-risk, they can be more effective at building resilience.

At the **local level** VFL findings are used by communities to develop evidence-based local action plans to build their own resilience.

At the **national level** evidence is shared and analysed in multi-stakeholder workshops to identify shared objectives for national policies.

Can I use it to report on Sustainable Development Goals?

Yes. Data collected provide valuable insights and qualitative information that can feed into a variety of different indicators. See overleaf.

Views from the Frontline *data collection in India*

Is this data freely accessible?

Yes. All data collected under the VFL programme is freely available in an online database which can be disaggregated by country, community, age, gender, disability and other factors. Check out the database **www.vfl.world**

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1 No Poverty

Adopting national and local DRR strategies is an indicator for Target 5. Our data on DRR strategies - and community awareness - at the local level can be used to monitor progress.

3 Good Health & Wellbeing

VFL supports communities to tackle major threats using local action plans. These often relate to diseases, and drug and alcohol abuse. The participatory process strengthens community engagement in health issues, supporting Target 3, 5 and 6.

5 Gender Equality

VFL data can be disaggregated by gender, and empowers women to take part in policy assessment, design and implementation. This supports Targets 5 and A.

6 Clean Water & Sanitation

Local action plans tackle priority threats, which are often related to water issues. The participatory process to develop these plans strengthens local communities' engagement in managing water and sanitation, which relates to Target B.

10 Reduced Inequalities

VFL data measures to what extent communities are included in policy-making: looking at differences in responses among various vulnerable groups supports Target 2.

11 Sustainable Cities & Communities

VFL data can be disaggregated by urban or rural respondents. This allows for a better understanding of the unique threats urban communities face. Using this data to inform policy-making supports Targets 5, 6 and B.

12 Responsible Production & Consumption

Communities surveyed by VFL often identify bad waste management as a key threat to their own resilience. Sustainable waste management is often identified as a key local solution to reducing risk. Local plans tackling waste management effectively support Targets 2, 5 and 8.

13 Climate Action

Adopting national and local DRR strategies is an indicator for Target 1. Our data on DRR strategies - and community awareness - at the local level can be used to monitor progress.

14 15 Life Below Water | Life On Land

We've asked communities specific questions about the role of ecosystems in strengthening resilience. Communities are also encouraged to identify actions to protect these ecosystems. This process supports Target 2 of goal 14 and Targets 1 to 5 of goal 15.

16 Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions

VFL data measures to what extent accountability and transparency is implemented at the local level. And provides details on community engagement and mechanisms for reporting complaints at the institutional level. This can be used to report against Target 6 and 7.

17 Partnerships for the Goals

A set of questions aimed at assessing the level of integration between issues of DRR, climate change, ecosystem conservation, and development in local policies and plans helps report on policy coherence, as required by Target 14.