



# ENVIRONMENT STEWARDSHIP & CLIMATE ACTION

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Statement



## Our Context

World Vision (WV) is a global humanitarian, development and advocacy organisation dedicated to working with children, families and communities to overcome poverty and injustice.

In the East Africa Region(EAR), WV is witnessing the unprecedented impacts of climate change and environmental degradation including extreme heatwaves, droughts, flooding and cyclones. The adverse impacts of climate change in the region are a huge threat to the region's socio-economic development, negatively affecting livelihoods and communities. These challenges are also exacerbated by land degradation in a region where agriculture and pastoralism are the main sources of income and approximately 70% of the population depend on rainfed agriculture.

**Climate change threatens children's rights:** While children have a right to a healthy environment, climate change threatens their survival and development, undermining the full and effective enjoyment of their rights. Children in the region are subject to "extraordinarily high levels of exposure and vulnerability to the effects of climate change and environmental degradation". Four of the 20 countries that have been ranked as "extremely high risk" for children- are in the EAR.

## Our Aim

Addressing climate change and environmental degradation is a core and integral part of WV programming and advocacy. In the Environment and Climate sector, WV East Africa aims to ensure that households and community livelihoods are resilient to climate change, environmental challenges, and disaster-related shocks.

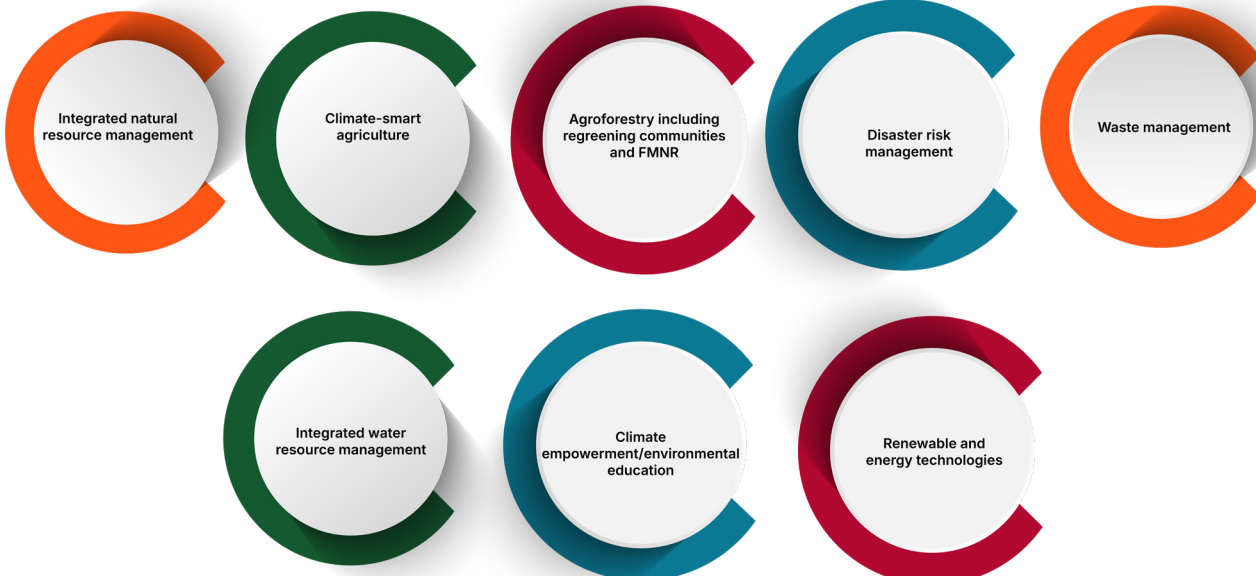
Guided by the 'do no harm' principle, WV East Africa projects and programmes conduct environmental safeguard assessments and addresses any ongoing negative impacts on the environment.

World Vision East Africa is committed to reducing the carbon footprint of its operations and facilities across the organisation and is currently implementing a target of 20% reduction in greenhouse gas operating emissions by 2030 and is working towards net zero emission by 2050.

## Our Experience

World Vision East Africa has a proven track record of successfully implementing environmental sustainability and climate action programmes that have delivered tangible environmental, social, and economic outcomes to targeted communities. Our experience spans various technical areas:

## Operational Areas in East Africa



# ESCA Strategic Roadmap (2025-2027)

Through the WV ESCA Strategic Roadmap, we aim to reach 20 million people (10 million children) globally by 2030, so that children and their caregivers can live in a thriving environment with improved resilience against environmental and climate shocks.

## Key interventions areas

01



**Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) & restoration of ecosystems and ecosystem services**

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**Building sustainable agri-food systems and nutritional security**

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**Strengthening community resilience to climate change**

04



**Integrating environmental stewardship and climate action across our operations and programmes Focus**

## Our Approaches

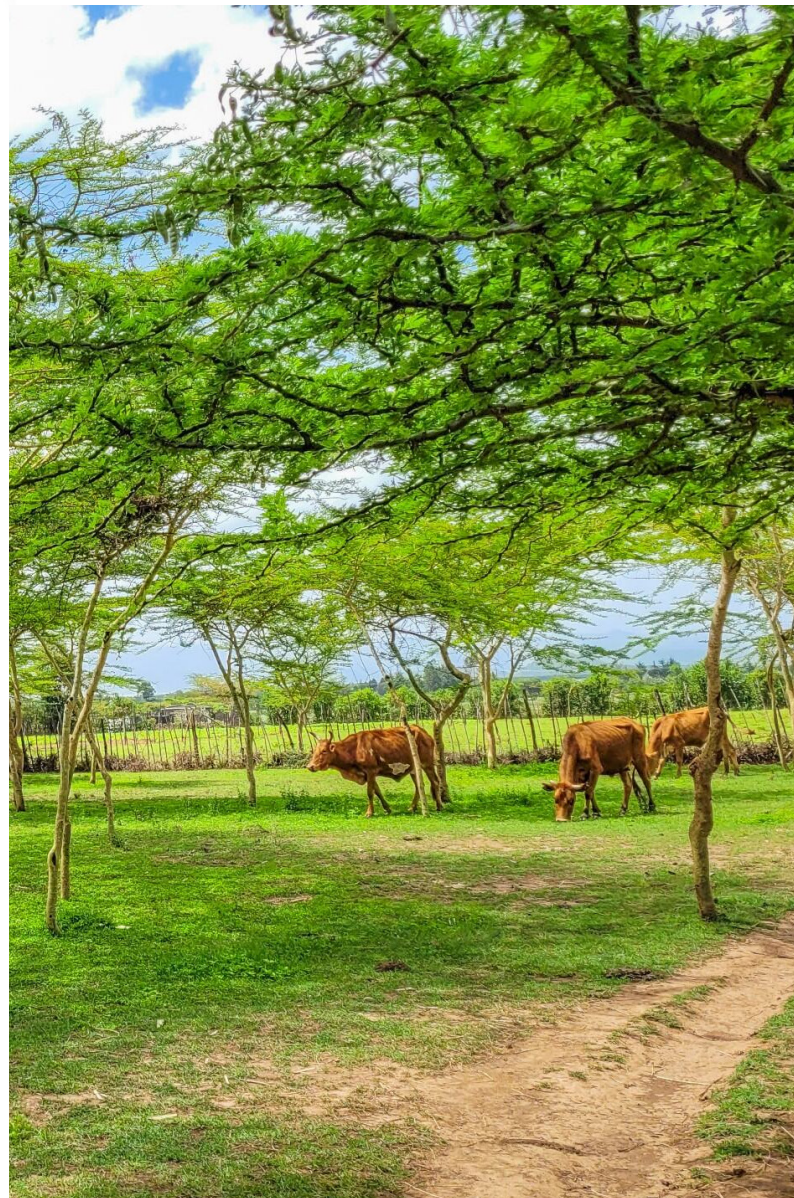
**Regreening Communities Core Model:** We have adopted the Farmer Managed Natural Regeneration (FMNR) as a principal approach for livelihood and resilience programmes, and three countries in the East Africa region (Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda) are currently catalyst countries.

**Community-Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM)** project model, which supports children, their families and communities to understand and reduce the disaster risks they face, thereby bolstering their resilience when disasters occur.

**Citizen Voice and Action (CVA):** As children are critical agents of change, we empower them and their communities to undertake climate actions through environmental and climate education using CVA.

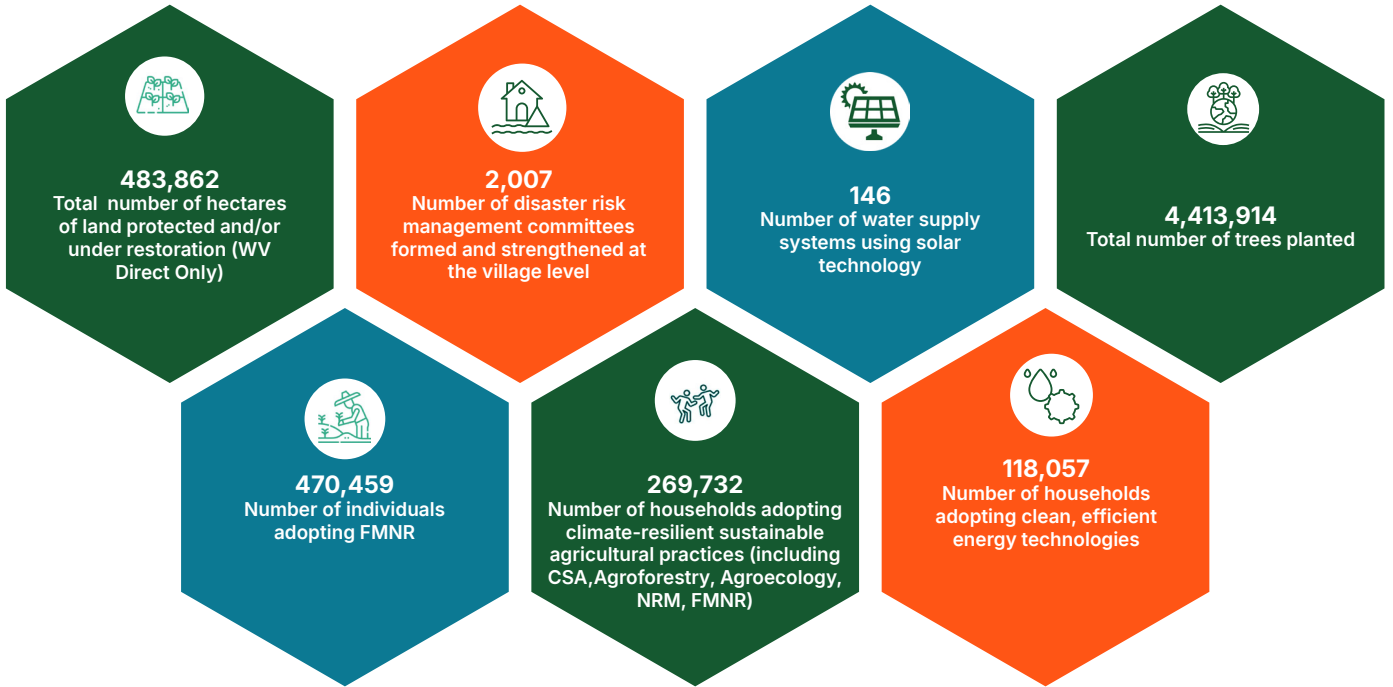
**Climate-smart agriculture and agroecology:** WV is working with smallholder farmers and their communities to make agri-food systems more resilient through investing in sustainable agri-food system approaches such as climate-smart nutrition-sensitive agriculture and agroecology. These methods and approaches build resilience to climate change and reverse environmental degradation while increasing farm productivity.

**Scaling Up Successful Models:** WV focus on scaling up working models and approaches that have demonstrated success in improving resilience and environmental sustainability.



## Our Impact

With a strong focus on environmental sustainability and climate resilience, WV has established itself as a key player in addressing the interconnected challenges of climate change, environmental degradation, and disaster risk reduction. In the financial year 2023 and 2024 a total of 4,309,801 people were reached by community programmes in environment and climate action in the East Africa region. The achievements in various ESCA interventions in East Africa for the Financial Year 2023-24 is shown below:



## Our Partners

World Vision collaborates with partners who significantly contributes to our work. Key partners include:



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