## Good Enough Context Analysis for Rapid Response (GECARR)

- A World Vision context analysis tool that provides a macro-level analysis of a country or a specific geographic context of a country.
- Used during or in anticipation of an imminent change or at the initial or urgent phase of a humanitarian response. It provides an analysis in a time-efficient and pragmatic way.
- It is a **flexible tool** that can be used in unpredictable and conflict-prone contexts. The process usually takes **about two weeks** with a short preparation phase beforehand.
- Produces a snapshot of the current situation through drawing together the views of a wide variety of internal and external stakeholders, including local communities and beneficiaries. Micro-level insights from local community members strengthen and inform the macro-level analysis.
- Generates actionable and practical recommendations for INGOs involved in humanitarian responses. These recommendations are appropriate and relevant to the context.
- Designed to be an inter-agency tool.

## What does GECARR produce?

The output is a short document analysing the country context and needs, key actors, sources of cohesion and division (connectors and dividers) and likely future scenarios. It includes internal and external recommendations that inform organisational strategies, operational and security plans, program designs and external messaging. When using an inter-agency format, the process and the findings can contribute towards joint planning and joint operations going forward.

## How does GECARR work?



**Work with country offices** to identify where your organisation can **best benefit** from this tool.

**Liaise with a point person/s** in the country office to **plan GECARR logistics**. The facilitators compile secondary data (if available) about the context in question, including media and security reports.

**Collect data around 8 questions** on: What's happened? What's happening now? What may happen next? Data is collected through **key informant interviews (KIIs)** and **focus group discussions (FGDs).** The interviews are done with a variety of internal and external stakeholders, including members of the local community and partner agencies.

**Analyse and compile data into a report**. This is done by the facilitators together with the team in-country. The KIIs/FGDs are complemented with a short scenario-planning session leading up to implications on the agency's work and a **list of actionable recommendations** in the written report.

**Facilitate a debrief meeting** with country senior leadership. At this meeting, a summary of the findings is presented to this group. The draft document is **discussed and finalised** by the response team (with a GECARR facilitator).

**Implement the recommendations.** The majority of the recommendations are **often used in-country**, but recommendations are also useful for other parts of an organisation/s involved in the process, including for operational security. Other agencies and partners can also use findings where appropriate. The GECARR report can be **shared widely**, if appropriate, to allow other organisations to learn about a particular context in order to better engage with it.

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