





THE 18TH OFFICIAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (ODA) EVALUATION WORKSHOP SESSION 3: Theory of change for development success

Theory of Change for Development Success

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Have development efforts really failed?



Source: Data eye-estimated from Figure 2.1. in Sachs et al, 2022.





SDGs unlikely to be achieved until 2092.

Social Progress Imperative, 2020.

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Our Focus

- What makes development interventions successful
- Three pillars of a development intervention
- Program cycle: Key features of each component
- Drivers of successful implementation

Theory of Change







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https://www.menti.com/cy4fz4ufku.

Let's Reflect. Why have development efforts failed? ? ?

Reflection: Two minutes











Effective

Efficient

ODA EVALUATION WORKSHOP 2023 An Intervention Cycle Relevant Impactful Development Intervention Coherent Sustainable Number of transactions versus Failure Ratio Number of processors = 8 1800 1200 1500 900 Number of transactions EDF D_R_EDF RM Joint EDF-RM Monitoring

Evaluation

Recommendations









"A program theory explains how an intervention (a project, a program, a policy, a strategy) is understood to contribute to a chain of results that produce the intended or actual impacts." Rogers, P. (2014)







The Logic of the Theory of Change







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Do you agree with this Theory of Change? Why or why not? Give one reason.





Then the child will be well nourished.





Theory ??

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The Process of Developing a Theory of Change



LAC, 2016



2. Identify preconditions



3. Identify roles of related parties





Describe the problem and identify the causes

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Problem:

In Track 5 village undernutrition among children under five years is very high. 40% girls and 35% boys.

The villagers are mostly farmers and there is sufficient rice and vegetables available most of the year.

Diarrhea is common and children are frequently ill.

- What 2
- ? Who
- Where
- When 2



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Causes??

Immediate Causes Underlying Causes Basic Causes









N & S Condition

Principle: Interventions must not only be necessary, but also sufficient to achieve the expected result







Conceptual Framework of Causality of Child Malnutrition







An Unequivocal Success Story

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How Sri Lanka Reduced Maternal Deaths





Conceptual Framework of Causality of Maternal Deaths



Source: Redrawn from UNICEF, 1997



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Then mothers

survive.

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Falling Maternal Deaths and Rising Institutional Deliveries







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Rights fulfilment

Course correction by monitoring

Program Improvement by evaluation