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# SAFE WATER. STRONGER COMMUNITIES.



**Because of your generosity, families around the world now have access to something many of us take for granted — clean, safe water.**

It means children no longer have to walk for hours just to fetch water. It means mothers can cook, clean, and care for their families without fear of illness. It means communities can flourish, knowing they have a sustainable source of life.

Thank you for supporting our water well programs. You are receiving this report because you donated a well in 2024, helping us empower a community in need.

To ensure your donation makes the greatest impact, IDRF has consolidated its annual reporting on wells. This allows us to direct more of your contributions toward building, maintaining, and expanding our water projects worldwide.

Your donations are allocated to the country of your choosing, and within this report, you will receive a summary document highlighting the impact your donation has made.

Thank you for being a part of this vital work. Because of you, access to clean water is no longer just a distant dream — it's a reality for countless people. And that impact will continue for generations to come.

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RECOGNIZED AS A  
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INTELLIGENCE, WITH  
90% OF EVERY DOLLAR  
DIRECTLY HELPING  
THOSE IN NEED.**



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# WATER FOR ALL

Every drop from these wells carries the  
promise of a better future.

## THE FUTURE OF FOOD SECURITY



Sustainability is a multifaceted issue, in which food access and meeting basic nutritional needs is crucial. Achieving a healthy and sustainable food future is an urgent matter that depends on global collaboration. In the next five years, IDRF aims to achieve a sustainable and resilient food system through our communities by:

- Ensuring our food packages address the complex cultural and regional needs.
- Increase women's active participation and leadership in the decision making process of local food access and security.
- Supporting farmers and local communities to adapt to climate change and build more resilient food systems.

## BETTER HEALTH, BRIGHTER FUTURES



The global pandemic has significantly affected global health and health systems. Years of progress made in global health is now at risk of disappearing. In the next 5 years, IDRF aims to repair and strengthen access to healthcare by:

- Strengthening local health systems through capacity building, establishing remote clinics and providing medical equipment.
- Supporting midwifery programs and establishing women's health centres.
- Expanding access to diagnostic services.

## WATER FOR ALL



Water and sanitation flow through every aspect of sustainable development. We believe that access to this essential service is a human right. In the coming years, IDRF aims to improve water security for the most vulnerable communities. This will be done by implementing and altering affordable access to clean drinking water, by:

- Ensuring management structures that are gender-inclusive
- Creating multi-use water systems to provide for communities, healthcare facilities and agriculture.
- Continuing to build and rehabilitate water wells that will be supported and maintained by the local community.

## EDUCATION IS THE FUTURE



Education is vital in alleviating poverty, improving lives, and creating thriving communities. For our 5-year strategy, IDRF will work towards promoting learning and development for all, through:

- Providing education services for children and youth and aid in minimizing the psychological impact of disasters and emergencies.
- Removing and reducing the lack of accessibility to education for girls and children with special needs.
- Continue to provide food and financial assistance to students and their families.

## TRAINING FOR THEIR FUTURE



Equitable and sustainable economic recovery is key in building resilient communities. In the next 5 years, IDRF aims to ensure marginalized communities are not left behind in the global economic recovery efforts by:

- Develop and promote sustainable agriculture and livestock programs.
- Address gender disparity and gender pay gap in the workforce
- Promote small and medium-sized businesses and support informal sector workers

# PAKISTAN

**Pakistan is among the most climate-vulnerable countries in the world. Rising temperatures, unpredictable monsoons, and devastating floods have made access to clean water even more uncertain.**

While some areas suffer from prolonged droughts, others face destructive floods that contaminate drinking water and destroy infrastructure. Without sustainable solutions, millions remain trapped in a cycle of water scarcity and crisis.

The country is facing a severe water crisis, driven by climate change, poor infrastructure, and rapid population growth. Over 80% of Pakistan's water is unsafe for drinking, and many rural communities rely on contaminated or distant sources. With water shortages worsening, families are being pushed to the brink.

In rural Pakistan, the burden of collecting water falls heavily on women and girls. Many walk miles each day in extreme heat, carrying heavy containers just to fetch water for their families. This daily struggle not only affects their health but also limits their opportunities for education and income. Young girls often miss school because they spend hours fetching water.

A sustainable water well can change everything. By providing clean, accessible water near homes and villages, wells reduce the burden on women, improve health, and allow children to attend school.



## 152

wells built in Pakistan, including solar and regular wells, at a community level, and for schools



## 7,953

beneficiaries supported



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Their team engaged with us, conducted household surveys, and informed us about their plan to install hand pumps for eight households. My family was among those selected, and a hand pump was installed near our home. This initiative was made possible through funding from a generous family in Canada, facilitated by IDRF, in memory of a loved one.

Thanks to this project, my family now has access to clean drinking water. This has significantly improved our health and reduced our medical expenses. The time saved from fetching water has allowed me to focus on embroidery work and vegetable gardening, which has improved our nutrition and saved money.

Zainab,  
Pakistan



# BANGLADESH

**Following the catastrophic floods in 2023, IDRF built water wells in Bangladesh to support communities in need. This year, our team visited our project site in Bangladesh, and shared their insights.**

In February 2025, our Programs Officer, Shazma Nafis, visited Bangladesh on a field visit, where she witnessed firsthand the impact of our wells and confirmed their functionality. IDRF launched this Water Well Project in 2023, to provide sustainable water sources to underserved communities.

One such initiative was the installation of Water Well Number 48, a deep water well that has significantly improved the quality of life for local families. Located in a rural village in Cox's Bazar, where water scarcity was a daily struggle.

Before its installation, families had to walk approximately 4km to collect water from an underground source — a physically exhausting, time-consuming, and often unsafe journey, especially for women and children. Now, Water Well Number 48 serves 10 families, providing them with a reliable source of clean water for drinking, cooking, and washing.

Tamanna, a mother of four, shared how the well has helped her family: "Before, we had to walk for hours just to collect water, and it was never enough. Now, having clean water right outside our home has changed everything for us." Previously, she had to make long, arduous trips to collect water, which took a toll on her health. With the installation of the deep water well just outside her home, Tamanna and her family can now access clean water effortlessly, improving their hygiene, health, and overall well-being.





During my visit, I saw firsthand how the water well has made a real difference. The water is clean, and the taps function smoothly, ensuring a steady and reliable supply. Families looked happy, relieved of the exhausting burden of long water-fetching journeys. Other families in the area also have easy access to the well, making it a shared resource that strengthens the entire community.

The conversations I had with a few of our beneficiaries made it clear that this project has significantly improved the daily lives of many families. The installation of these water wells is a testament to the power of sustainable water solutions. As IDRf looks ahead, expanding such initiatives will remain a priority to ensure that more communities have access to this fundamental human necessity.

*Shazma  
IDRF Program  
Officer*







# KENYA

Despite being home to some of Africa's largest lakes and rivers, over 15 million people lack access to clean water in Kenya.



**22**

wells built in Kenya



**43,750**

IDPs supported in Kenya and Uganda

Climate change, rapid population growth, and poor water management have turned an essential resource into a daily struggle. In arid and semi-arid regions, where over 80% of the country's landmass lies, water shortages are even more extreme.

Kenya is experiencing some of the most severe impacts of the climate crisis. Rains that once sustained agriculture and filled reservoirs are becoming unpredictable. When they do come, they arrive in destructive floods, sweeping away homes, livestock, and topsoil. The result? Crops fail, food insecurity worsens, and access to safe water becomes even more difficult.

Glaciers on Mount Kenya, a key water source, are disappearing at an alarming rate. Meanwhile, groundwater levels are dropping, forcing people to dig deeper or walk farther to find water.

Sustainable wells mean less reliance on rain-fed water, ensuring resilience against the climate crisis.



There are days in which we sleep without eating. And every day especially after our morning prayer, we walk long distances in search for water for domestic use. Water and food are our daily sources of happiness. As you can see, we are very happy because we shall not be walking long distances in search for water anymore.

*Asiya,  
Kenya*



# UGANDA

Over 21 million people in Uganda lack access to safe drinking water, forcing families to rely on contaminated sources like ponds, rivers, and unprotected wells.



21

wells built in Uganda



43,750

IDPs supported in Kenya and Uganda

Waterborne diseases such as cholera and typhoid are widespread, and children are the most vulnerable.

The crisis is fuelled by multiple factors, including climate change, deforestation, population growth, and poor infrastructure.

Although Uganda is home to large freshwater sources like Lake Victoria and the Nile River, many communities — especially in rural areas — struggle to access clean water. Climate change has made rainfall patterns unpredictable, leading to prolonged droughts that dry up natural water sources, while heavy rains contaminate rivers and wells with debris and waste.

At the same time, widespread deforestation has worsened the crisis. As Uganda loses nearly 80,000 hectares of forest each year, the natural water cycle is disrupted, making droughts and floods more severe. The country's rapidly growing population further strains already limited water resources, while poor infrastructure means that even where water is available, it is often difficult to reach safely.

IDRF is committed to providing sustainable water wells in Uganda, ensuring that families have safe, clean water.

Water Trucking and  
Water wells Project  
for East Africa.

Maracha District- Uganda 2024





Water scarcity, poverty, and limited education are our biggest challenges. Many can't afford basic needs, and we share contaminated water with animals, leading to waterborne diseases. The long distances we travel for water also contribute to domestic violence. We are grateful to now have access to clean, safe drinking water within our community, making life less stressful.

*Mona,  
Uganda*

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Trucking and  
wells Project  
East Africa.

District- Uganda 2024

PHAS  
COMMUNITY





# CHAD

Chad faces a severe and worsening water crisis, with nearly 60% of its population lacking access to clean drinking water.



**152**

wells built in Chad, including solar and regular wells, at a community level, and for schools



**14,724**

people supported in Chad

Climate change has made Chad's water crisis even more extreme. The Sahara Desert continues to expand southward, consuming fertile land and drying up vital water sources. Lake Chad, once one of the largest lakes in Africa, has shrunk by nearly 90% since the 1960s, leaving millions of people and livestock without a reliable water supply.

As water sources disappear, tensions rise between communities competing for what little remains, often leading to displacement and conflict.

For women and girls, the burden of water scarcity is immense. In many regions of Chad, women walk for hours each day to collect water, carrying heavy containers over long distances in extreme heat.

The journey itself is dangerous, exposing women to violence and exploitation. Even when water is found, it is often contaminated, leading to outbreaks of cholera, diarrhea, and other deadly diseases that disproportionately affect children. The lack of clean water also makes childbirth more dangerous, increasing the risk of infection for mothers and newborns.

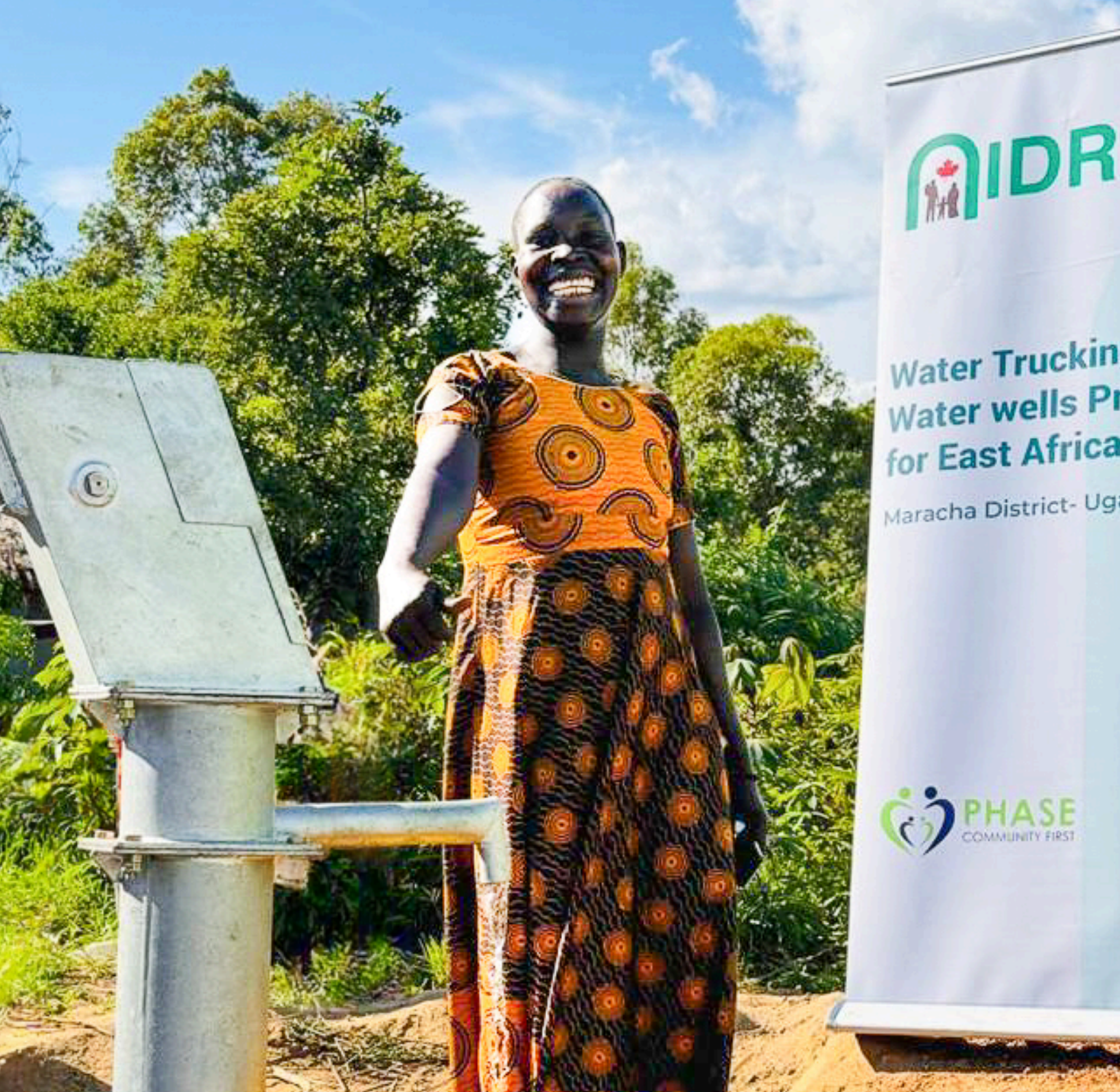
When water is accessible, girls can go to school instead of spending their days collecting it. Women can pursue economic opportunities, and families can grow crops and raise livestock without the constant fear of drought.

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Amina,  
Chad





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