

ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

A photograph of a woman and a young child sitting in front of a dark wooden door. The woman, on the right, is wearing a green and black checkered shawl over a maroon dress and is focused on weaving a yellow and black striped fabric. The child, on the left, is wearing a brown and white striped sweater and is looking down at a blue bowl. The background is a simple wall with a green-painted door frame.

2025

LONG VERSION

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WE EMPOWER PASTORALIST WOMEN & GIRLS TO RISE BEYOND LIMITATION, INEQUALITY, AND DEEPLY ROOTED BARRIERS!

CLOSING ONE CHAPTER, OPENING THE NEXT:

Our New Strategic Planning 2025 – 2030

In 2025, we launched our new Strategic Plan (2025-2030), building on nearly three decades of working alongside Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist girls, women and communities.

Over the past five years, we have learned that lasting change happens when education, livelihoods, rights, health, water, and climate resilience are addressed together, not in isolation.

Over the next five years, PWC will consolidate its work across Ngorongoro, Longido, and Monduli, while **expanding into Simanjiro, Hanang, and southern Kenya** in response to the growing demand for locally led, culturally grounded solutions. By 2030, we envision **more women in leadership, more girls completing their education, stronger household economies, improved access to rights and justice, continued transformation of harmful social norms, and communities leading climate resilience and natural resource management** efforts.

The years ahead offer an opportunity to build on the progress achieved and reach more women and girls still waiting for the same opportunities, an effort that requires strong partnerships and sustained investment. Together, we can ensure Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and girls are not only included in development, but leading it, shaping stronger families, thriving communities, and a future rooted in dignity, equality, and opportunity.

Read our new Strategic Planning: [FULL VERSION](#) & [SHORT VERSION](#)

Meet us again in 2030, transformed !

ABOUT US

For nearly 30 years, the Pastoral Women's Council (PWC) has worked alongside Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist girls, women and communities in northern Tanzania, building a movement grounded in **dignity, agency, and solidarity**.

What began with a small group of Maasai women under an oseki tree in 1997 has grown into a strong, women-led movement of over **18,839 members** across Ngorongoro, Longido, and Monduli, and reaching more than **150,000 people** through community-led initiatives in 2025 alone.

Today, PWC works at the intersection of gender equality, social justice, climate resilience, and poverty reduction through an integrated model spanning education, livelihoods, health, rights, land, water, and governance.

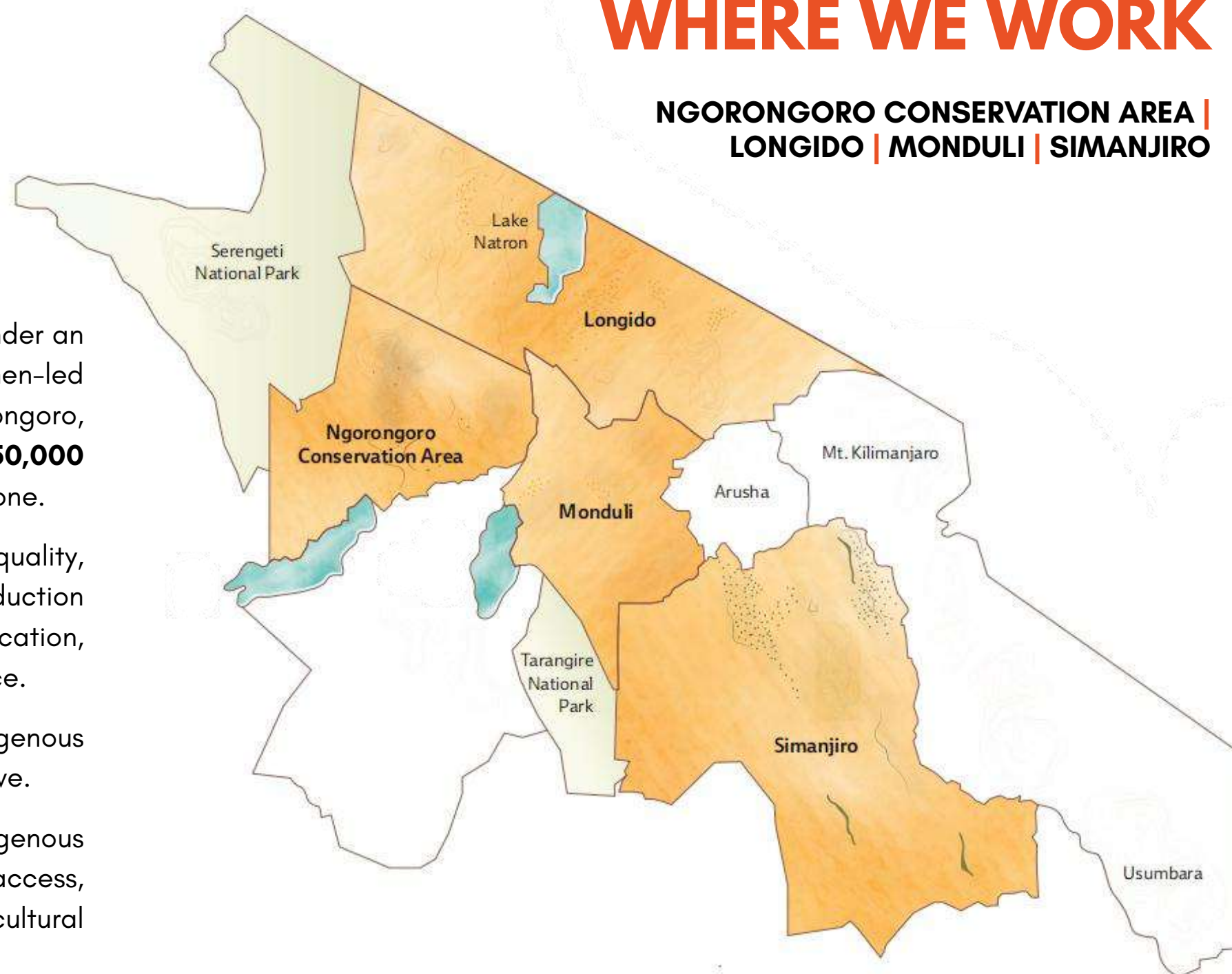
Our Vision: A just and inclusive society where Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and girls thrive.

Our Mission: PWC's mission is to empower Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and girls to access, claim and enjoy their social, economic, civic, and cultural rights.

Our Values: Our values are not aspirational statements; they are lived commitments shaped by decades of working alongside Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and their communities.

WHERE WE WORK

**NGORONGORO CONSERVATION AREA |
LONGIDO | MONDULI | SIMANJIRO**



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INDIGENOUS PASTORALIST AND AGRO-
PASTORALIST WOMEN AND GIRLS ACROSS
TANZANIA THRIVE WITH DIGNITY AND
OPPORTUNITY !**

DEAR FRIENDS,

A LETTER FROM OUR TEAM,

As we reflect on 2025, we are filled with gratitude, hope, and pride in what our communities have achieved together. Across northern Tanzania, we have witnessed communities coming together to create meaningful change and we are beginning to see how the first generation of empowered women is shaping the next, and how this new generation will carry this work forward for generations to come.

Throughout 2025, we continued to see the power of community-led solutions, with parents, teachers, traditional leaders, women, and youth working together to strengthen education and livelihoods, advance women's rights, improve health, and protect natural resources. These achievements remind us that lasting change happens when communities unite around a shared vision for the future but most inspiring of all is the way generations are learning from one another. However, we also recognize that the path toward lasting change is facing growing challenges. Across the world, grassroots organizations are experiencing increasing pressure as funding landscapes shift and resources become more limited. These constraints risk reversing progress and limiting the ability of organizations to respond to urgent and emerging needs. At PWC, we continue to advocate for flexible, unrestricted funding that allows locally led organizations to adapt, innovate, and stand alongside communities as they navigate complex challenges, from climate change and inequality to threats facing Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist ways of life. Sustainable change requires trust in the communities and organizations that are closest to these realities. In 2025, we saw girls and women step forward with confidence, pursuing their education and stepping into leadership roles.

At the same time, we also witnessed elders playing a vital role in this transformation by sharing the knowledge, values, and traditions that have sustained Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities for generations and creating space for young people to thrive while ensuring that the wisdom of the past is not lost.

This exchange between generations is one of the strongest forms of resilience we see in our work. When young people inherit not only opportunities, but also knowledge, dignity, and a strong sense of identity, they are better prepared to deal and stand against the pressing and growing challenges our communities continue to face.

As we look ahead, our vision remains clear:

A future where pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and girls are empowered to lead, where communities are resilient in the face of change, and where the next generation inherits tradition, stronger opportunities and systems, but also, confidence, knowledge, and ability to shape their own future.

To our partners, supporters and communities, thank you for walking this journey with us. Together, we are building a legacy of opportunity, resilience, and hope that will continue for generations to come.

With gratitude,
Naishorwa Masago
Deputy Director



2025

WHAT A YEAR!



GOAL 1

EDUCATION



UNLOCKING POTENTIAL THROUGH EDUCATION

In 2025, PWC continued to strengthen access to quality, inclusive, and safe primary, secondary, and tertiary education for Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist girls. Quality education remains a key driver of long-term social and economic transformation, equipping children and young people with the skills, confidence, and knowledge to improve livelihoods, break cycles of poverty, and access pathways to leadership, employment, and innovation. For girls in particular, education serves as **a powerful protection tool against early marriage, gender-based violence, and school dropout**, while strengthening their agency and participation in community life.

In this context, in 2025 PWC implemented several community-driven interventions working with families, schools, and community leaders to improve access, retention, and learning outcomes, while addressing harmful social norms that limit girls' education. Life skills training and mentorship programs further strengthened girls confidence, leadership, and decision-making, helping them build academic motivation and a stronger sense of agency, with a total of **2,450** people (girls, parents, teachers, traditional leaders, and government stakeholders) reached through this structured engagement. Additionally, **300 mother-daughter pairs** engaged in dialogues on education and protection, addressing challenges such as early pregnancy, forced marriage, FGM, and GBV, strengthening trust and communication between them while enhancing guardians sense of responsibility towards the girl child.

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“Girls have to get knowledge because a girl without education, we can say that its like a gun without a bullet.”

–Alice Kaseni, Student at
Engairarbor Primary School

HIGHLIGHTS

- **366** Total number of scholarship beneficiaries
Primary 2025: 100 → 2024: 71
Secondary 2025: 201 → 2024: 171
Tertiary 2025: 65 → 2024: 52
- **TZS 329,796,000** 2025 scholarship expenditure
- **100%** Transition rate in 2025 → 2024: 95%
- **100+** participants reached through targeted Period Poverty Campaign
- **27038** People reached directly through education program

PTA STRENGTHENING & POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Parent-Teacher Associations (PTAs) are a critical community-based governance structure that connects schools, parents, and local leaders to jointly improve education outcomes. In pastoralist and agro-pastoralist contexts, where schools face challenges such as distance, limited resources, and low parental literacy, PTAs play a key role in strengthening accountability, improving communication between schools and families, and mobilizing local solutions to education barriers, **ensuring that education is not only delivered to communities, but built with them**, while also reinforcing systems to better protect and support girls, including preventing child marriage, supporting return to school, and addressing harmful practices such as FGM.

A major milestone in 2025 was the **formal adoption of the PTA model across government schools in Longido District**, marking the first time community participation was fully institutionalised within the education system. To support this, PWC trained **45+** teachers, District Education Officers, Ward Education Officers, and PTA representatives, on PTA governance and practical approaches to improving school performance. The training strengthened local capacity and contributed to the mapping and scaling of the PTA model, leading to the establishment of an additional **79 PTAs** across Monduli, Longido and Ngorongoro.

- **100** Cumulative established PTAs across **3** districts
- **63,200+** Students reached by PTAs
- **≈40** Girls rescued from early marriage through PTA interventions
- **3,000** Grassroots education champions (60% women, 40% men)

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT EDUCATION LEADERSHIP

To strengthen learning and peer exchange, PWC facilitated a **3-day regional learning exchange** that brought together PTAs from Longido, Ngorongoro, and Monduli districts to share experiences, challenges, and practical solutions for improving education outcomes. Through school visits, group discussions, and field demonstrations, PTAs learned directly from one another and witnessed first-hand how strong structures can transform learning environments in pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities.

A key highlight was the recognition of the 3 top-performing PTAs, celebrating their outstanding leadership, innovation, and commitment to improving education:

1st Place: Ngaresero Primary School PTA:

Recognized for their efforts in infrastructure development and ICT fundraising initiatives

2nd Place: Laiboni Primary School PTA:

Recognized for their strong community mobilization and improved academic performance support systems

3rd Place: Lekule Girls Secondary PTA:

Recognized for their effective student retention and parental engagement strategies

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EMANYATA SECONDARY SCHOOL

When a girl is not placed in secondary school, the consequences are life-changing. In pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities, exclusion from education increases vulnerability to child marriage, early pregnancy, GBV, and lifelong limited opportunities. Yet the reasons many girls fail to transition to secondary school are rarely due to a lack of potential but rather barriers such as poverty, domestic responsibilities, long distances to school, limited school placements, and social pressures.

Emanyata Secondary School (ESS) was established to address these barriers by providing a safe, supportive, and high-quality learning environment where vulnerable students can continue their education. In 2025, ESS enrolled **293 students** (206 girls and 87 boys), from which **166** students are sponsored by PWC. More than **70%** of enrolled students had not secured placement in public secondary schools, highlighting ESS vital role in supporting at risk youth.

Each student who graduates represents a young person with greater choices, stronger confidence, and a brighter future for themselves and their communities!

HIGHLIGHTS

- **293** Total students (206 girls, 87 boys) → 2024: 292
- **166** Students sponsored by PWC
- **68%+** Students are GBV survivors
- **16:1** Student-teacher ratio → 2024: 17:1
- **57** Form Four graduates achieving a 100% transition rate
- Major Infrastructure expansion and improvements

PRE-FORM 1

Many students arrive at secondary school without the foundational skills, confidence, or preparation needed to succeed. To support this, ESS runs a 3-month Pre-Form One Bridging Program that strengthens literacy, numeracy, English proficiency, and study skills, preparing students for secondary school expectations. It also provides protection for girls at risk by keeping them engaged in education during this critical transition period. In 2025, **89** students (62 girls and 27 boys) attended Pre-Form 1, with **62%** transitioning into ESS.

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE & HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT

Despite significant challenges faced by students before joining ESS, the school continued to achieve strong academic results in 2025, with a **100% pass rate in both Form Two and Form Four**, and **zero Division 0 across all levels**.

In 2025, **57** students graduated Form Four, with **50 progressing to Advanced Level education** and **7 enrolling in colleges and vocational trainings**.

The sustained success of ESS is achieved through a holistic approach that builds both skills and confidence. Through remedial support, students strengthen their academic foundations, while practical activities such as gardening, farming, livestock keeping, beekeeping, and sports nurture resilience, teamwork, and responsibility beyond the classroom.

ESS demonstrates what is possible when vulnerable children are provided with safety, quality education, mentorship, and opportunity.

A smiling woman with short-cropped hair, wearing traditional Maasai attire including a red, white, and blue checkered shuka and multiple beaded necklaces. She is holding up a light-colored, teardrop-shaped object in her right hand and a small, clear plastic bag containing a brown substance in her left hand. She is standing in front of a blue corrugated metal wall. The image is framed by a solid orange border.

GOAL 2

WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

FINANCIAL INCLUSION, LASTING CHANGE

In 2025, PWC's economic empowerment programme strengthened the financial independence, leadership, and resilience of women and youth across pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities through Village Community Banks (VICOBA) and complementary livelihood support. The programme went beyond savings and credit to build a foundation for long-term economic transformation, enabling women and youth to start and expand businesses, access and manage financial services, and strengthen their voices within households and communities.

A total of **24,336 women** were reached through VICOBA, entrepreneurship training, financial literacy, value addition, and more. By combining community-based savings with practical business and financial skills, the programme strengthened household economic security, built resilience to climate and economic shocks, and expanded sustainable livelihood opportunities, while VICOBA also served as safe, inclusive social spaces where women came together to support one another, celebrate progress, and break cycles of isolation.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **53** New VICOBA formed in 2025 → 906 Cumulative VICOBA
- **40** New villages engaged in 2025
- **148** Active TOTs → 2024: 120 Active TOTs
- **24,336** Women reached through economic empowerment initiatives
- **14,250** Women diversified their income beyond livestock based livelihoods

STRENGTHENING SKILLS

In 2025, PWC strengthened community capacity through targeted training programmes to improve livelihoods, financial resilience, health awareness, and wellbeing across pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities, with a total of **2,323** community members benefiting from interventions across multiple thematic areas.

A strong focus was placed on economic empowerment through business, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and market skills training, equipping participants with skills in planning, savings, record keeping, and enterprise development. **820** participants were trained in climate-smart livelihoods such as gardening, tree planting, and sustainable practices, supporting income diversification and environmental restoration. Additionally, business, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and market literacy each reached **501** participants. These integrated efforts strengthened economic and social resilience, enabling communities to improve productivity and build more sustainable and diversified livelihoods.

EMPOWERING YOUTH

In 2025, PWC, in partnership with TRIAS under the Husisha Project, delivered **2** vocational training programmes for youth. The first trained **9** youth in tailoring, electrical installation, and construction, with startup kits provided for self-employment. The second trained **16** youth in bakery, food processing, and soap production, expanding income generation and entrepreneurship pathways. Both initiatives targeted at-risk youth, strengthening skills, confidence, and sustainable livelihoods.



THE **VICOBA** MOVEMENT

In 2025, VICOBA remained one of the strongest initiatives for advancing financial inclusion and grassroots economic empowerment for women across pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities. During the year, **53 new groups** were formed, bringing the total to **906 active VICOBA groups** and expanding into **40 new villages**, reaching a cumulative **19,814 members** (19,218 women; 973 men; 9,446 youth). Through these groups, women and youth gain access to credit, financial literacy, and structured savings, enabling them to build sustainable livelihoods, improve household wellbeing, and strengthen participation in local economies through diverse income-generating activities, improving income stability and resilience.

At PWC, we believe in knowledge sharing and community ownership, which is why we train Trainers of Trainers (TOTs) to support grassroots capacity building, being trained community members who transfer knowledge and skills to other community members.

In 2025, **28** new TOTs were trained, bringing the total to **148 active TOTs** (139 female, 9 male), with each TOT supporting an average of 6 VICOBA groups.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **TZS 2,420,298,850** Total savings in 2025 → 2024: TZS 2,044,000,000
- **TZS 2,156,950,950** Loan fund circulation
- **TZS 10,776,000** Social fund contributions
- **468** Women started new businesses & **6,220** Expanded businesses
- **85%** Members reported increased household income
- **60%** Members reported improved housing structures

CASE STUDY

GROWING TOGETHER

In Kiserian Village, near Ol Doinyo Lengai, an area known for its dry conditions and water scarcity, the Nalepo VICOBA group was formed in 2022 as part of PWC's economic empowerment efforts. Through saving knowledge members have improved their homes, grown businesses, and invested in their children's education. But wanting to achieve more, in 2025, the group took a bold step together. Pooling their resources and shared labour, they rented farmland and planted watermelons, an idea rooted in both necessity and hope. Within just three months, they harvested and sold their produce, earning over **TZS 400,000**.

Since then, they have continued planting and expanding their farming activities. Beyond income, the initiative transformed relationships and daily life. Families now work together in the fields, with husbands and wives standing side by side, sharing planning, decision-making, and responsibility.

The Nalepo group reflects what VICOBA truly represents: not just savings, but possibility, a space where small beginnings grow into opportunity, and where collective action helps women see themselves differently, **not as beneficiaries of aid, but as leaders of change**, building new futures for their families and communities.



IN 2025, 82 VICOBA GROUPS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN COLLECTIVE BUSINESSES !

SOLIDARITY BOMAS

Women Solidarity Bomas are a powerful community-led economic empowerment model where women come together in collective ownership and management of livestock assets.

Built on solidarity, trust, and shared responsibility, Women Solidarity Bomas provide women with a structured space to collectively own and manage livestock, pool resources, and reinvest benefits.

The women involved, many of whom are widows, survivors of gender-based violence, or living with limited economic opportunities and assets, face deep structural inequalities in pastoralist communities where livestock represent wealth, security, and social status but are traditionally owned and controlled by men. Through the Solidarity Boma model, PWC promotes women's rights to own, control, and benefit from livestock, creating a pathway to economic independence, restored dignity and confidence.

In 2025, across **5 Solidarity Bomas**, **336 women** collectively managed **209 cattle**, **420 sheep**, and **100 goats**. The income generated was reinvested into education, basic needs, and drought preparedness, including **TZS 3,850,000** that supported the schooling of **16 students** from vulnerable households.

Between 2024 and 2025, the program supported **145 households** through livestock distribution, strengthening household assets and food security through a total of **371** livestock distributed.

In 2025, **7 women** graduated from Solidarity Boma cycles, marking a key milestone of growth, as they gained the skills, assets, and confidence to continue independently while supporting others in their communities.

DID YOU KNOW ?

THE SOLIDARITY BOMA WAS THE VERY FIRST PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTED BY PWC IN 1999!

ENGISHON MICROFINANCE

In 2025, Engishon Microfinance Ltd. continued to expand financial inclusion for Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities across northern Tanzania, with a strong focus on women and youth. Over **10,700 pastoralists** received business and financial literacy training, **a 50% increase from 2024**, equipping them with practical skills to manage and grow their enterprises. Additionally, during the year, Engishon disbursed **TZS 1.2 billion** (USD 480,000+) through **215 microloans**.

Group lending through VICOBA structures remained central to this growth. **87% of all loans** were issued to community savings groups, reaching **7,300+ women**.

In total, more than **28,000 people** benefited from increased financial resources, improving household stability, access to education, and resilience to economic and climate-related shocks, demonstrating how targeted financial inclusion can unlock entrepreneurship, strengthen communities, and create pathways for long-term sustainable development.

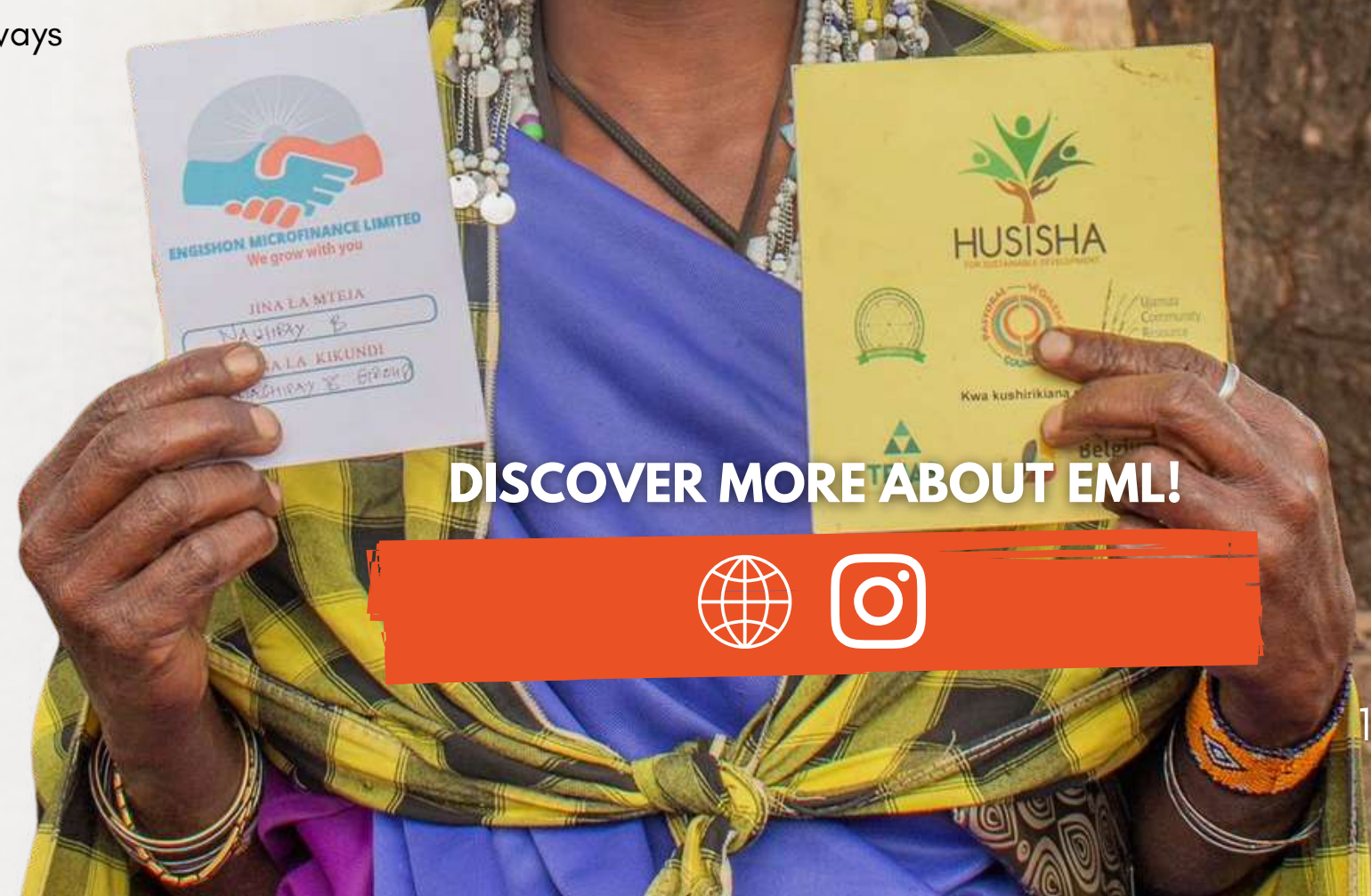
HIGHLIGHTS

- **215** Loans disbursed in 2025
- **176** VICOBA group loans disbursed in 2025
- **7,352** Women reached through group loans
- **TZS 244,205** Average loan size per member
- **TZS 1.2 Billion** Total loan disbursement volume
- **TZS 1+ Billion** Revolving loan fund
- **28,000+** Total people impacted

“IT HAS **TAKEN US AWAY**
FROM THE TIME WHEN
WE WOULD JUST SIT BESIDE
OUR HOUSES”

– Noosikiro Shangama

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NARAMATISHO WOMEN'S CENTRE

Naramatisho Women's Centre continued to grow in 2025 as a community-led hub established by PWC to strengthen women's empowerment, preserve Indigenous Maasai culture, and expand sustainable economic opportunities. The Centre is a women and Indigenous led initiative dedicated to transforming the lives of pastoralist girls and women in Northern Tanzania, guided by the belief **that cultural pride and economic empowerment can thrive together through community-led tourism.**

Its purpose is to empower pastoralist girls and women by creating sustainable income opportunities, supporting access to quality education, promoting women-led initiatives, and cultivating safe spaces for growth, connection, and leadership, while ensuring the continuity of pastoralist traditions and cultural heritage. By welcoming visitors into their way of life, women generate meaningful income while sharing the stories, resilience, and wisdom of their communities, with cultural preservation remaining central through storytelling, cultural practices sharing, and documentation of Maasai heritage. Beyond its tourism and cultural activities, the NWC also serves as a welcoming community space, providing a conducive and reflective environment for trainings, meetings, community gatherings, and public events.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **250+** Community members gained improved access to water
- **200+** Women volunteers engaged throughout 2025
- **50** Women artisans connected to the Shanga House
- **1,000+** Indigenous, medicinal, and fruit trees planted

"Come not just for the accommodation and delicious food but to learn and be part of something meaningful, and support a cause which uplifts women and preserves Indigenous culture."

-Leila Thackara, NWC guest

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GOAL 3

WOMEN'S RIGHTS & LEADERSHIP



ADVANCING RIGHTS, TRANSFORMING FUTURES

Sustainable change in pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities is not only driven by services and infrastructure, but by stronger rights awareness, inclusive leadership, and the transformation of social norms. In 2025, PWC continued to strengthen community systems that protect rights, prevent gender-based violence (GBV), and expand women's participation in decision-making. At the heart of this work is a simple truth: **nothing we do creates lasting impact if social norms remain unchanged.**

Through Women's Rights & Leadership Forums (WRLFs), Court User Committees (CUCs), community dialogues, targeted trainings, and community-trained paralegals, communities are becoming more actively engaged in addressing GBV, child protection, land rights, harmful practices, and other key issues. In 2025, **31,497** community members were reached through these rights and leadership initiatives, in addition, **11** paralegals were retrained, bringing the total to **166** trained paralegals.

These platforms have played a critical role in turning awareness into action by strengthening accountability, encouraging reporting, and improving access to justice services at the local level. In 2025, **98 women** received legal support and assistance, further ensuring that women and girls are active holders of their rights and voices.

“ Now I can tell a man: This is not right, this is gender based violence and we do not want it ”

–Nadea, PWC trained Paralegal

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WOMEN'S RIGHTS & LEADERSHIP FORUMS

Women's Rights and Leadership Forums (WRLFs) are a core PWC initiative that empowers women at the grassroots level by strengthening their understanding of rights, leadership capacity, and ability to advocate for justice and equality within their households and communities, ensuring women are not only aware of their rights but also equipped to claim, defend, and use them for themselves, their families, and future generations. WRLFs also serve as frontline systems for reporting and community dialogue, playing a direct role in identifying and following up on **45 GBV cases** in 2025, all of which were tracked and **40 cases successfully resolved.**

In 2025, PWC strengthened **94 active WRLFs**, that beyond awareness and protection, play a critical role in preparing women for leadership and public decision-making. Through training, mentorship, and exposure to community governance processes, women within WRLFs are increasingly stepping into formal and informal leadership roles. In 2025, **90 women** ran for leadership positions and **38** were successfully appointed.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **94** Cumulative WRLFs with 2,935 Members (2,480 women; 455 men)
- **38** Women appointed to leadership positions in 2025
→ **1,743** Cumulative women in leadership positions
- **10** Girls returned to school following child marriage risk interventions

SOCIAL NORMS TRANSFORMATION

Transforming deeply rooted social norms requires **continuous dialogue, community ownership, and the engagement of women, men, youth, traditional leaders, and local institutions.**

In pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities, practices such as FGM, child marriage, and GBV persist due to long-standing social norms, where fear of exclusion, outweighs understanding, and economic pressures and power structures can make harmful practices feel necessary. In response, PWC invested in community dialogues, awareness campaigns, and local leadership structures that create safe spaces for reflection while strengthening justice, protection, and accountability systems. In 2025, PWC conducted **16** awareness campaigns, reaching **7,618 community members** through major campaigns and village forums focusing on GBV, girls' education, child protection, and FGM prevention.

Targeted FGM interventions were implemented across **5 villages**, reaching **843+** community members and leaders through training and awareness activities. These efforts were supported by the active engagement of all WRLFs and CUCs, helping communities move from awareness to collective action. As a result, **25 communities** publicly declared the abandonment of FGM and adopted alternative rites of passage, while strengthened collaboration between community structures improved access to legal aid and protection services.

At the national level, advocacy efforts also contributed to the **inclusion of widows' inheritance rights in the updated national land policy**, helping advance legal recognition and protection for all pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women across Tanzania.

JUSTICE ACCESS THROUGH CUCS

Access to justice in pastoralist communities depends not only on formal systems, but also on how effectively people can navigate reporting, referral, and resolution pathways, as distance, cost, and limited legal awareness often delay or prevent survivors of GBV, land disputes, and family conflicts from seeking justice in rural areas.

To address this, PWC strengthened community justice systems through Court User Committees (CUCs) and Women's Rights & Leadership Forums, ensuring cases are identified early, documented, and supported through clear referral pathways to social welfare and formal courts.

CUCs are community-based structures that bridge the gap between local communities and the formal justice system, bringing together trained community representatives who support case identification, documentation, mediation, and referrals to higher legal authorities. Their role is not to replace formal courts, but to **make justice systems more accessible, responsive, and trusted at village level.** In 2025, **4** CUCs remained active in Ngorongoro, Monduli, Longido and Simanjiro, supporting community justice processes across their areas and handling over **31 cases**. Of these, **1** case was referred to court, while **5** were resolved at village level, including 1 GBV case, 1 land dispute, and 3 family and marriage-related cases.

EACH CUC BRINGS TOGETHER 35 MEMBERS, INCLUDING MAGISTRATES, GENDER DESK OFFICERS, SOCIAL WELFARE REPRESENTATIVES, AND COMMUNITY LEADERS

LAND RIGHTS AWARENESS & WOMEN'S OWNERSHIP

Land is one of the most critical assets in pastoralist communities, being the foundation of livelihoods, food security, inheritance, and long-term economic stability. However, for Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women, access to land has historically been shaped by exclusion and customary practices that often limit their ability to own, inherit, or control productive resources. When a woman owns land, she gains more than an asset, she gains stability, bargaining power, and long-term security for her family, strengthening her ability to invest in agriculture and livestock, access credit, make independent economic decisions, and transform her social standing within the community.

In 2025, PWC placed strong emphasis on land rights awareness and documentation, to ensure that women not only understand their legal entitlements, but are also **supported to actively claim, secure, and formalize land ownership.**

HIGHLIGHTS

- **120** Women trained on land rights of whom **104** actively pursued land ownership after training in 2025
- **120** Women received official land documentation (CCROs) in 2025 → **1,167** Cumulative CCROs issued
- **204** Women allocated land in 2025 → **1,395** Cumulative land allotments completed

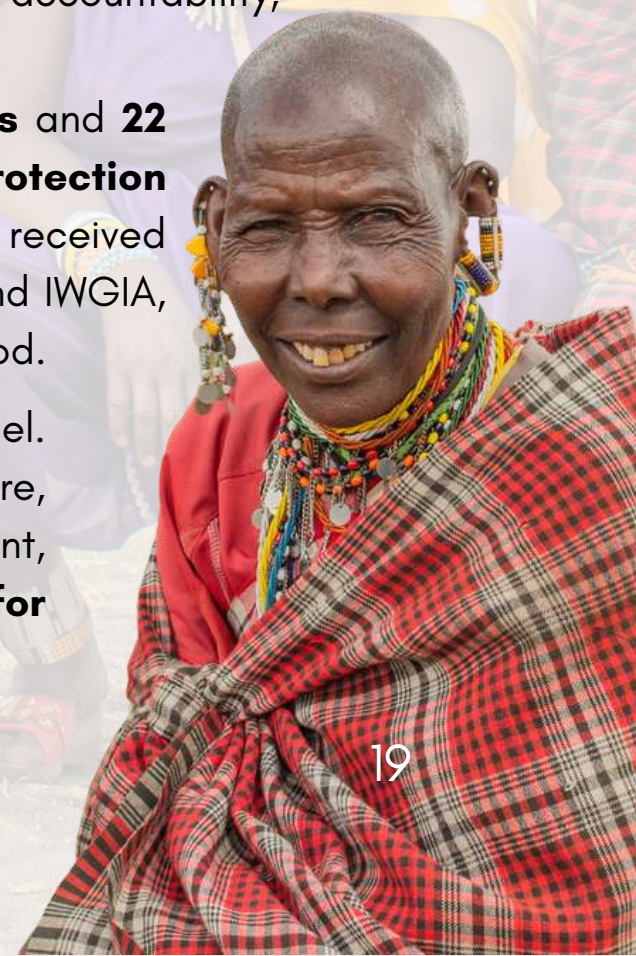
CASE STUDY

A LANDMARK CASE FOR WIDOWS

Naisuyaisui, an elderly widow from Soit-Sambu in Ngorongoro District, experienced deep loss and injustice after the death of her husband. Within days, her livestock and land were taken by in-laws, leaving her without assets, security, or voice. She also faced threats of forced relocation and violence, but despite pressure and isolation, she refused to accept injustice. She first sought support through her local WRLF, which helped her report the case to the police. PWC then activated a survivor-centered response, providing legal support, case follow-up, and coordination with the Police Gender Desk, social welfare services, and community leaders to ensure her protection and access to justice. An Alternative Dispute Resolution process was later convened with police, social welfare officers, traditional leaders, WRLF members, and family representatives. Before mediation, PWC conducted targeted legal awareness sessions on widows' inheritance and land rights, helping shift community perceptions, strengthen accountability, and create the conditions for a fair resolution.

The case resulted in the restoration of **15 cows** and **22 goats, formal recognition of her land, and protection** measures against further harm. Naisuyaisui also received a **TZS 1,000,000 recovery grant** from PWC and IWGIA, which enabled her to further rebuild her livelihood.

Naisuyaisui became a powerful role model. Widows inheriting property remains extremely rare, and through her case she set a precedent, **opening the door for justice and protection for many others to come!**



GOAL 4

CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE



PROTECTING LAND, WATER & LIVELIHOODS

Climate change remains one of the greatest threats facing Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities. Rising temperatures, prolonged droughts, erratic rainfall, and growing pressure on natural resources continue to undermine livelihoods, food security, and access to water. These impacts fall disproportionately on women and girls, who are responsible for collecting water and caring for their families, increasing their vulnerability to poverty, school dropout, early marriage, child labour, and poor health, **limiting their opportunities to thrive, exercise their rights, and lead healthy, dignified lives.**

To strengthen resilience, PWC works with communities to implement locally led, integrated climate adaptation solutions that restore ecosystems while protecting livelihoods. Through Climate Action Plans, Grass Seed Banks, environmental restoration, and community-led conservation, women and youth are empowered to become stewards of natural resources and leaders of climate action.

Community engagement is central to this approach. In 2025, **17,980 community members** (8,664 women, 3,980 men, 5,000 youth, and 336 community leaders) participated in climate dialogues, village forums, awareness campaigns, and practical trainings. Additionally, in 2025, communities planted **2,780 trees** (1,000 medicinal Indigenous trees, 1,000 fruit, and 780 shade trees), restored **1,936 acres** of rangeland (directly and indirectly), protected **~47 water sources**, and developed **47 village by-laws** to strengthen community-led natural resource management.

Together, these actions are building healthier ecosystems, more resilient livelihoods, and a more sustainable future for pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities.

GRASS SEED BANKS

Grass Seed Banks (GSBs) are one of PWC's most impactful climate adaptation interventions, combining environmental restoration with women's economic empowerment. By cultivating 3 types of native grasses, women restore degraded grazing lands while generating income through the sale of grass and seeds. This nature-based solution supports livestock survival during drought, restores rangelands, prevents soil erosion, improves water retention, enhances carbon absorption, and preserves traditional ecological knowledge. At the heart of this initiative are women, who lead and manage the GSBs, and through their leadership, women are strengthening their role as **stewards of natural resources, decision-makers in land management, and key drivers of climate resilience.** In 2025, GSBs expanded to **2** new villages, bringing the initiative to a total of **10 groups** involving **200+** women. During the year, the groups restored **129 acres of rangeland** and generated over **TZS 10,000,000** through grass seed sales!

HIGHLIGHTS

- **8** Villages implementing GSBs in 2025 → 2024: 6
- **129** Acres of rangeland restored through GSBs in 2025 → 2024: 77
- **208** Kg Seed production in 2025 → 2024: 73.5kg
- **800** Bales hay production in 2025 → 2024: 501
- **TZS 10,000,000** Income generated in 2025 → 2024: TZS 4,896,000



CLIMATE ACTION PLANS

Climate Action Plans (CAPs) are community-owned frameworks that help villages identify climate-related challenges and develop practical, **locally led** solutions through participatory processes that assess risks, prioritize resilience actions, and build a shared vision for sustainable natural resource management. By placing communities at the centre of climate adaptation, CAPs strengthen local leadership, collective action, and long-term ownership of climate solutions.

In 2025, PWC continued to support communities to develop and implement Climate Action Plans (CAPs), with **5** new CAPs developed during the year and **144** community climate champions trained to support implementation, drive community mobilization, and strengthen environmental stewardship at village level. In addition, **20** CAPs were integrated into District Development Plans, ensuring that community priorities are reflected in local government planning.

Recognizing women's lived experience of climate impacts, they play a central role in CAP governance, holding **50%** of committee positions and actively leading resource management, community mobilization, and climate adaptation efforts.

“By encouraging people to protect the environment, we also strengthen our ability to preserve Maasai traditions.”

-Noorkitoip Sailuda
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HIGHLIGHTS

- **5** New CAPs developed → 47 Cumulative CAPs
- **1,410** Total CAP members engaged
- **47** Total villages engaged
- **20** CAPs integrated into District Development Plans
→ 2024: 15
- **1,807** Acres of land restored through CAPs in 2025

INSULATED COOKERS

Insulated cookers are an important part of PWC's environmental restoration efforts, reducing pressure on natural resources while improving household energy efficiency. By lowering dependence on firewood, this climate adaptation solution helps reduce deforestation and supports more sustainable use of surrounding ecosystems.

In 2025, **30** women Trainers of Trainers (TOTs) were equipped with skills to produce and promote insulated cookers, resulting in the sale of **100** cookers and adoption by **130** households, generating **TZS 4,000,000** in income at a unit price of TZS **40,000**.

Beyond environmental and economic gains, the intervention has had a significant impact on women's daily lives. In pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities, women spend hours each day walking long distances to collect firewood and carrying heavy loads back home, a physically demanding responsibility that contributes to time poverty, limiting opportunities for education and income-generating activities. By reducing the amount and frequency of firewood needed, insulated cookers help ease this burden, freeing up valuable time, lowering household energy costs, reducing smoke exposure, and improving women's health, wellbeing, and overall quality of life!

**LESS FIREWOOD = MORE TIME:
12+ HOURS SAVED WEEKLY PER HOUSEHOLD!**

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT LEADING THE WAY

Across villages, communities took ownership of climate resilience through Climate Action Plans. Here are some of the results:

- **Loondolwo Village:** Restored **821 acres of rangeland** through invasive species removal and significantly **strengthened water security** by investing community resources in 281 metal pipes to replace plastic infrastructure.
- **Lopolosek Village:** Advanced a range of integrated resilience measures, including **climate-smart livestock** marketing, **improved household food storage systems**, and **expanded rainwater harvesting** through tanks and boreholes, significantly improved resilience to drought and food insecurity.
- **Ranch Village:** Established a 22-acre demonstration plot showcasing **sustainable pasture restoration techniques** and **restored 934 acres** through invasive species removal. In addition, Community Microcredit Groups supported the **construction of 59 iron-roofed houses** and the **acquisition of 18 rainwater harvesting tanks**, strengthening both climate resilience and household economic stability.
- **Tingatinga Village:** Restored **600 acres of degraded rangeland** through invasive species removal, **strengthened local food security** measures, and reinforced community institutions responsible for **water protection and management, efforts** that have improved ecosystem health while enhancing resilience to climate-related shocks.



GOAL 5

ACCESS TO WATER

WATER AS A RIGHT

Lack of water is a daily struggle that affects **health, dignity, and the ability to maintain traditional livelihoods** such as grazing and farming. It contributes to poverty, food insecurity, environmental degradation, and weakens livestock production systems that pastoralist communities depend on. Beyond these impacts, the water crisis also **deepens gender inequality**, with women and girls carrying the greatest burden, spending long hours walking in search of water, which limits girls' access to education and reduces women's opportunities for economic participation.

In 2025 PWC invested significantly in expanding access to clean, safe, and sustainable water for underserved pastoralist communities, investments that reduced daily burdens, protected livelihoods, and supported communities to live, learn, and thrive with greater dignity and resilience.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **4** New boreholes drilled → **31** Cumulative boreholes
- **39,000+** Cumulative people benefiting from improved water access and **251,000+** livestock
- **12** New rainwater harvesting tanks installed in schools, health facilities, and community water points → **107** Cumulative rainwater tanks installed
- **4** New water committees established in 2025 → **25** Cumulative Water Committees
- Up to 5 hours daily saved from reduced water collection burden

EXPANDING ACCESS TO CLEAN WATER

In 2025, PWC successfully drilled **4 new boreholes** in Ranch Village (Longido), Laiboni and Makuyuni (Monduli), and Karkamoru (Ngorongoro), bringing water closer to households, schools, health facilities, and grazing areas and strengthening community resilience, dignity, and long-term sustainable development in the face of increasing climate pressures. As a result, **9,144 people** and **20,962 livestock** directly benefited from improved water access in 2025.

To ensure effective management and long-term sustainability, **4** new water committees were trained, bringing the total to **25** committees, strengthening accountability, and equitable water management, turning infrastructure into **locally owned systems** that enhance leadership and ensure sustainable water access for present and future generations to come. To further enhance reliability, PWC strengthened water systems through solar, electric, and generator-supported boreholes, with **6** boreholes running on solar energy, **2** on the electricity grid, and **22** on diesel or generator backup.

RAINWATER HARVESTING SYSTEMS

To strengthen climate resilience and diversify water sources, **12 new rainwater harvesting tanks** were supplied and installed in 2025 across schools, health facilities, and community water sources, providing a vital alternative supply that ensures continuous access to water for drinking, sanitation, and hygiene. This brings the cumulative total to **107** rainwater harvesting tanks, directly benefiting **95** households and **12** public/shared facilities.

CASE STUDY

BRINGING WATER CLOSER TO LAIBONI

Laiboni Village in Monduli District faced severe water scarcity, forcing households to rely on a distant rain-fed dam and walk up to **7 hours daily** to collect water for domestic use and livestock, a burden that fell mainly on women and girls. During dry seasons, the dam would dry up completely, forcing families to travel up to **36 kilometres** to the nearest town to purchase water, deepening household economic strain.

The situation also exposed communities to serious risks, as the dam water was unsafe and linked to waterborne diseases, while shared use with wildlife, particularly elephants, led to dangerous encounters, including injuries and fatalities. The crisis also affected Laiboni Primary School, where over **423 students** lacked access to water, resulting in poor hygiene, dehydration, and increased absenteeism, especially among girls due to inadequate sanitation.

In early 2025, PWC conducted assessments and hydrological surveys that identified a viable groundwater source near the village. A **130-metre borehole** was drilled, complemented by **three 10,000-litre storage tanks** and **6 water points** serving households, the school, and livestock.

Direct access to water in Laiboni Village reached over **2,193** community members and students, transforming their daily life and enabling many women to start kitchen gardens, while the school reports improved student performance and increased girls' attendance.



“We thank PWC, you have brought us clean and safe water.”

-Mami Musa,
Laiboni Primary School Student

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GOAL 6

HEALTH & WELLNESS

HEALTH WITHOUT BARRIERS

In 2025, PWC's Community Health and Wellness Programme played a critical role in addressing persistent health inequalities faced by women and girls in remote pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities, where access to healthcare, particularly sexual and reproductive health services, is often not guaranteed. Long distances, high costs, language barriers, and cultural taboos often prevent women from seeking care, increasing vulnerability to preventable conditions, maternal health risks, and untreated illnesses, further compounded by limited mobility, economic dependence, and reduced decision-making power, which together deepen health inequities for women and girls.

At PWC, we believe healthcare is a fundamental human right, and we are committed to ensuring that women and girls can access the care they need with dignity, trust, and equity.

Through an integrated approach combining **Community Health Workers, Traditional Birth Attendants, Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights** education, provision of cervical cancer screening, and **Medical Camps**, PWC brought essential healthcare services closer to communities, ensuring **that no one is left behind.**

In 2025, **15,243 people** were reached through health outreach and sensitization activities, and **130 women** were supported with advanced healthcare services, including referrals and assistance for specialised maternal and reproductive healthcare services.

SRHR AWARENESS

Through **8** Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) sessions, PWC reached **4,454+ community members** with essential knowledge on sexual and reproductive health, maternal care, hygiene, and disease prevention. These sessions created safe spaces for open dialogue on health topics that are often limited by cultural barriers, helping communities to better understand their rights, available services, and the importance of timely healthcare. Beyond awareness raising, the sessions contributed to improved health-seeking behaviour and stronger community understanding of preventive health practices. Particular attention was given to women and adolescents, who are often the most affected by gaps in SRHR information and access.

REACHING THE LAST MILE

In 2025, PWC conducted **4 medical camp** outreaches, providing consultations, treatment, referrals, and other essential health services to **1,678 patients**, while an additional **2,864 community members** were sensitised on key health topics.

Medical camps are community-based outreach services where teams of health professionals travel to last-mile villages to deliver a wide range of free and integrated healthcare services (consultations, treatment, maternal and child health services, family planning, cervical cancer screening, and health education).

By working alongside local structures, medical camps brought free, high-quality services directly to communities, building trust, reducing barriers to access, and ensuring timely, dignified healthcare for even the most remote households.



TRUSTED HANDS, SAFER BIRTHS

Traditional Birth Attendants (TBAs) are respected community members who play a vital role in supporting women during pregnancy, childbirth, and postnatal period.

In 2025, PWC trained **165 TBAs** through **11 training sessions**, strengthening safe delivery practices and referral linkages between communities and health facilities. Bringing the total number of TBAs trained by PWC to **225**.

The trainings were designed to recognize the important role of TBAs while ensuring they are equipped with improved knowledge on safe delivery practices, danger sign recognition, maternal nutrition, hygiene, and the importance of timely referrals. By strengthening these competencies, TBAs contribute directly to reducing maternal and newborn health risks, increasing timely referrals to health facilities, and helping improve maternal and newborn survival outcomes by ensuring that more women are connected to formal health systems during pregnancy and childbirth. Beyond maternal health, TBAs also hold a powerful social influence within their communities and they are **increasingly contributing to positive behavior change** by raising awareness and encouraging dialogue around harmful traditional practices such as female genital mutilation (FGM) and early marriage.

Through their close relationships with families and community leaders, they are helping challenge and shift deeply rooted norms while promoting safer, healthier, and more protective practices for women and girls.

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Nooretet Tolokin is a TBA who was formerly involved in performing FGM. After attending a PWC training in 2025, she gained awareness of its severe health and psychological impacts and made the courageous decision to stop the practice. Today, she is a strong advocate for the rights, health, and protection of girls in her community.

**“WE HAVE LEFT IT
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- Nooretet Tolokin
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COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS

Community Health Workers are trained local volunteers who act as a vital link between health facilities and their communities where access to formal healthcare services is limited. In 2025 PWC expanded and strengthened its Community Health Worker (CHW) network by training **23 new CHWs** and **retraining 12 existing CHWs** to improve service delivery at village level.

CHWs provide basic health education, while actively working with women and girls to promote preventive healthcare practices, identify and refer cases requiring medical attention, and follow up with patients to ensure continuity of care. They also play a key role in raising awareness on maternal health, hygiene, nutrition, and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), and promote early detection practices such as breast cancer self-examinations and other safe health behaviors. In addition, they help communities understand patient rights and serve as vital language and communication bridges between Maa-speaking communities and Swahili-speaking health workers, serving as the first point of contact for health support and strengthening community-based health systems while improving access to essential services.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **23** New CHWs trained in 2025 & **12** Retrained existing CHWs → **94** Cumulative CHWs
- **160~** Households supported per CHW

CASE STUDY

A TRUSTED VOICE FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH

Women and children in remote pastoralist communities face significant barriers to healthcare, including long distances to clinics, limited access to trained health workers, and misinformation around diseases such as HIV/AIDS, cervical cancer, and reproductive health. These challenges often lead to delayed treatment, preventable illness, and poorer health outcomes.

In 2025, Naisho Saipi from Piyaya Village in Ngorongoro became a Community Health Worker (CHW) through training supported by PWC, where she received education on maternal and reproductive health, infectious diseases, nutrition, vaccinations, disease prevention, and more, equipping her to support communities with accurate and lifesaving information.

Today, Naisho conducts community education through regular outreach sessions, encouraging antenatal clinic attendance, childhood vaccinations, and early health-seeking behaviour, while also challenging harmful myths and stigma around disease and reproductive health.

Her work and dedication has contributed to increased clinic attendance, improved acceptance of vaccinations, and greater openness in discussing previously sensitive and stigmatized health issues within the community.

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CBOs SUPPORT



STRENGTHENING CBOs, FOR COMMUNITY IMPACT

Sustainable community development is **not achieved by one organization alone**, but through strong local systems that enable communities to lead their own change. For this reason, strengthening Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) remained a central pillar of PWC's community empowerment approach, because **when local organizations are strong, communities are better equipped to create solutions that respond to their realities.**

In 2025, PWC continued supporting **12 CBOs** operating across **4 districts** and **44 villages**. These organizations share PWC's commitment to advancing the rights, wellbeing, and empowerment of women and girls, while addressing broader community development challenges. Through these CBOs, PWC indirectly reached an estimated **16,000+ community members**, demonstrating the multiplier effect of strengthening local organizations to serve as catalysts for change.

Capacity-building support was provided to **59 CBOs leaders and members**, focusing on governance, leadership, financial management, monitoring and evaluation, resource mobilization, and reporting. In addition, **3 CBOs** received sub-grants to implement community-led initiatives.

As a result, CBOs reported improved governance systems, stronger coordination, and greater confidence in managing resources and documenting results.

A woman with dark hair, wearing a red shawl over a patterned dress, is seated at a wooden table. She is smiling and looking down at a large grid chart spread out before her. She holds a red pen in her right hand, poised to write. The grid chart has numbers in its cells. To her left, the arm and hand of another person in a light blue shirt are visible, also looking at the chart. In the foreground, there is a box of white markers and some papers.

"PWC's continued support has not only enhanced ENCO's organizational capacity but has also created lasting positive change for the communities we jointly serve."

-Martha Sengeruan
Executive Director of ENCO

A woman in traditional Maasai attire, including a yellow headwrap and a red and white checkered shuka, stands in a savanna landscape. She is surrounded by several brown and white cattle. The background features dry grass, scattered trees, and a clear sky. The text "FROM TANZANIA TO" is overlaid in large white letters on the left side of the image.

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KENYA

PWC KENYA

A CROSS-BORDER MOVEMENT

In 2025, PWC officially started its operations in Kenya through the growing establishment of Pastoral Women's Council Kenya (PWCK), marking an important step toward strengthening cross-border solidarity, learning, and collective advocacy among Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women.

This expansion is particularly significant for women, who continue to face the greatest burden of inequality across both countries. By extending its presence into Kenya, PWC strengthens a shared platform for Indigenous women to connect across borders, exchange experiences, amplify their voices, build leadership capacity, and collectively advocate for their rights and wellbeing while co-developing community-led solutions that respond directly to their lived realities. PWCK represents a growing movement of pastoralist women working together to advance gender equality, strengthen resilience, and shape more just and inclusive futures for their communities.

HIGHLIGHTS

- **2** Counties reached in Kenya: Narok & Kajiado
- **180+** Community Members reached
- **2** Core programme areas launched: *Economic Empowerment & Women's Rights & Access to Justice*

Partnerships established with:

- **7+** National and international organisations & **3+** CBOs



2025 WAS

REVOLUTIONARY



IN 2025 MORE THAN 150,000

INDIGENOUS PASTORALIST AND AGRO-PASTORALIST WOMEN, GIRLS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS WERE REACHED THROUGH PWC'S INTEGRATED INTERVENTIONS ACROSS SIX CORE GOALS: QUALITY EDUCATION, WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT, WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND LEADERSHIP, CLIMATE CHANGE RESILIENCE, WATER ACCESS, AND WOMEN'S HEALTH AND WELLNESS.

And it represents far more than a number.

It represents a girl entering school for the first time, another graduating with the confidence to pursue her dreams, and children growing up with greater choices because parents and communities understand the power of education.

It represents women and girls gaining access to knowledge, support, and healthcare, where a woman can make informed decisions about her own health, choose when to have children, and access dignified care closer to home.

It represents a father accompanying his wife to the clinic, a girl confidently speaking about menstruation, and communities where health conversations once hidden are now met with understanding and support.

It represents a woman starting or expanding a business, gaining control over resources, becoming a livestock owner, accessing land rights, and building a more secure future for her family.

It represents women stepping into leadership roles, advocating for their rights, and inspiring others to do the same.

It represents women and girls healing from harmful practices, reclaiming their dignity, and a future where the next generation is protected from those same harms. It represents young people gaining skills, creating livelihoods, and rewriting their futures.

It represents communities protecting their land, restoring ecosystems, and adapting to a changing climate, not as victims, but as leaders of change.

It represents families and communities gaining reliable access to clean water, reducing the burden on women and girls, improving health, and sustaining traditional pastoralist ways of life for generations to come.

Behind 150,000 are thousands of stories of courage, resilience, and transformation. They are stories of women and girls finding their voices and gaining choices, families growing stronger as mothers and fathers share responsibilities and build relationships rooted in respect, and Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist communities shaping a future built on dignity, opportunity, equality, and resilience.

THIS IS EMPOWERMENT. THIS IS PASTORAL WOMEN'S COUNCIL.

JOIN THE MOVEMENT !

The Pastoral Women's Council exists to advance the rights, dignity, and opportunities of Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and girls, and despite generations of inequality and exclusion, we continue to witness extraordinary resilience, leadership, and determination within the communities we serve.

Because of **your** support, we expanded opportunities, strengthened community-led systems, and reached some of the most remote communities across northern Tanzania. Children attended school for the first time, others proudly graduated. Women started businesses, expanded livelihoods, secured land, and strengthened their financial independence. Communities challenged harmful social norms, improved healthcare access, and strengthened their resilience to climate change. With the support of committed partners we have achieved so much, but the need remains significant. Every day, more women and girls are ready to step forward if given the opportunity.

By supporting PWC, you directly help make that possible.

More than anything, we invite you to stand with us as an advocate.
A voice for women whose rights have too often been overlooked.
A voice for girls whose potential has too often been constrained.
A voice for equity, dignity, and lasting change.

From all of us at PWC, PWCK, Emanyata Secondary School, and Engishon, **THANK YOU!**

Together, we continue challenging inequality, strengthening community-led solutions, and creating a future where Indigenous pastoralist and agro-pastoralist women and girls can thrive on their own terms!

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