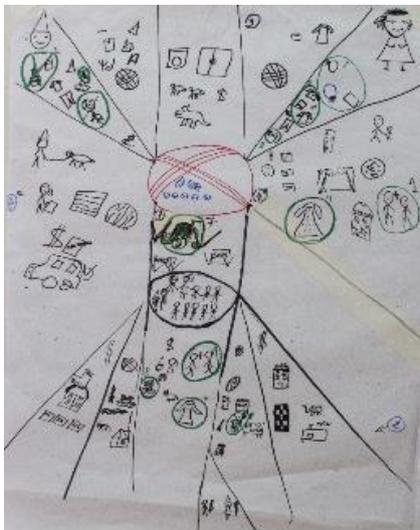


RWEE GALS Tool 4 Happy Family Tree Day 3

The Happy Family Tree (also known as Gender Balance Tree) looks in more detail at how division of labour within the household can be made more equitable and efficient, and how ownership, decision-making and expenditure can better reward those doing the work. This leads to increased cooperation and transparency in the household and reduction in wasteful expenditures.

These were first drawn individually. Then shared in groups: men, older women and young women. It was stressed that each group can analyse the issues for the whole tree, but the action commitments can only be for their group ie men cannot tell women what to do, only commit to changes they themselves will make. Similarly mothers-in-law can only make commitments for mothers-in-law, and daughters-in-law for daughters-in-law.



Men's analysis

Work

- Womens work was shop but later moved to middle and wants to construct a small workshop. Wife owns income from that.
- Women do unpaid work
- Joint grazing livestock, cattle, horse
- Man for house grazes horses
- Man set up sewing workshop employing women. Mens expenses
- Spend money on billiards, to drink vodka, trying to hide smoking and casino from wives, petrol, most secret are

girlfriends. Do not buy jewellery for wife but for girlfriends. How many girlfriends depends on pocket.

- Change to have rich girlfriends to get money from them.
- Household: Spend a lot for car, ploughing, fertiliser
- Joint will drink alcohol with wives.

Women's expenses - men buy wives cosmetics. If they buy a little thing for their wives, their wives do not notice many things.

Changes: all 4 men: will take decisions jointly eg buying furniture or start new activity, construct house, horse should belong to woman as well, use them for races. Money was only used by men.

Older woman says that the men want younger women, women also want to be romantic and be happy with men and children together. Men should respect them because the women gave them children. Have a lot of children and so no time to look after themselves. Contradiction with wanting so many children. Expect one son to look after parents.

For Narrative for mothers-in-law and daughters-in-law see consolidated report.