Key results of HVAP impact assessment

High-Value Agriculture Project in Hill and Mountain Areas

Nepal

Project objectives

To reduce rural poverty and improve food security in the hill and mountainous areas of Nepal

Inputs and activities

1. Development of inclusive value chains
2. Strengthening of service markets

107,860
Total beneficiaries

51,001
Female beneficiaries

456
Producer organizations (POs) trained

Project types

Crops
74%

Goats
26%

2011-2018

Crop income
per year

+50%

+92%
Dalit/Janjati [1]

+43%
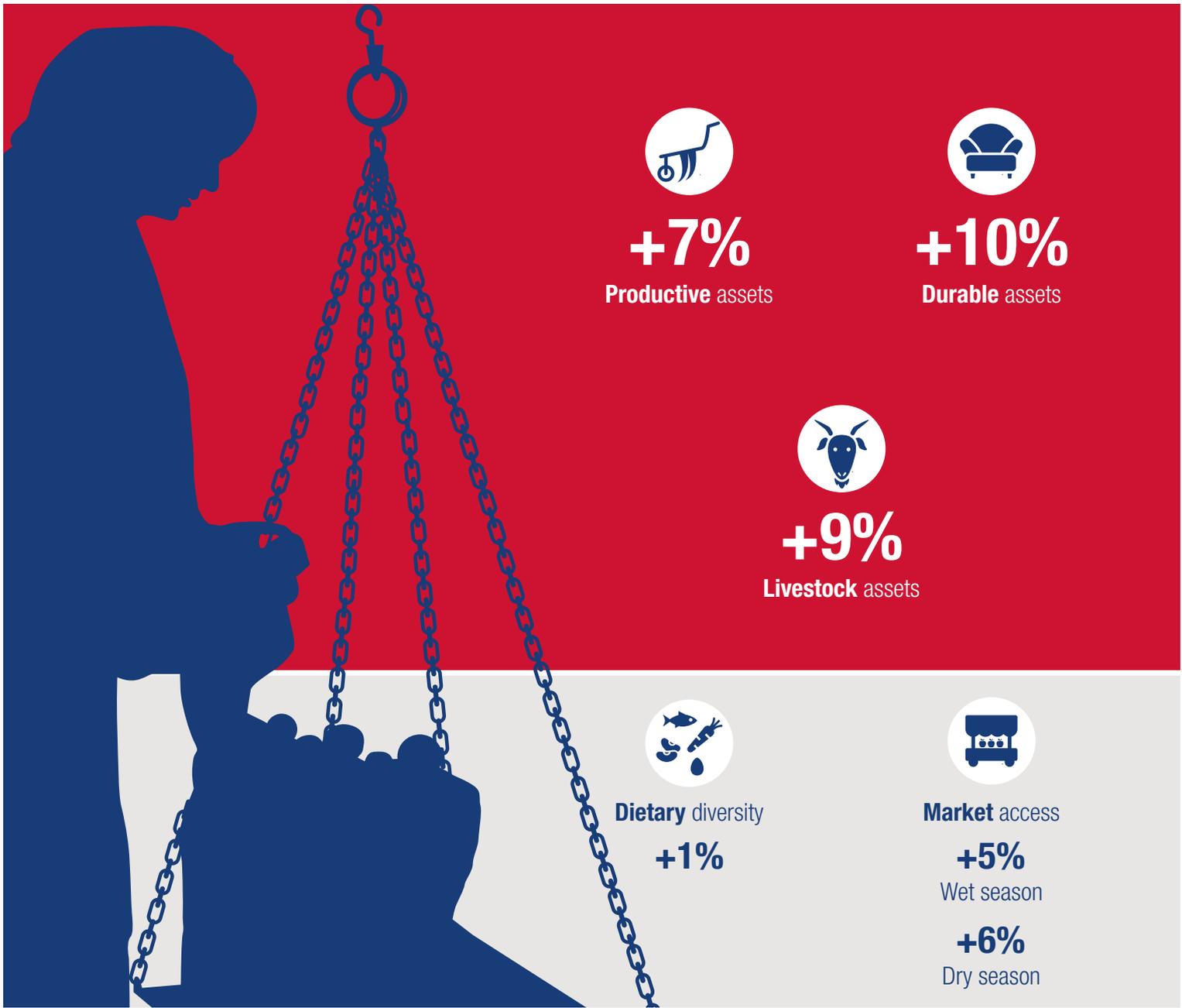*Non-Dalit/Janjati*

Total income
per year

+37%

Livestock income
per year

+93%

+62%
Dalit/Janjati

+99%
Non-Dalit/Janjati

[1] *Dalit* and *Janjati* refer to socially marginalized groups in the caste system as well as other ethnic minorities.

+7%
Productive assets

+10%
Durable assets

+9%
Livestock assets

Dietary diversity
+1%

Market access
+5%
Wet season

+6%
Dry season

Lessons learned

Focused project logic
The project worked with only a few value chains through focused and linked activities, leading to significant impacts on production and market access.

Close engagement and supervision
Relatively small PO size allowed project staff to engage closely with POs and supervise activities according to local demand.

Combined approaches
Using both top-down and bottom-up approaches to engage beneficiaries in value chains resulted in identification of suitable activities and interventions.