Scaling Support
Proposal Cover Sheet and Narrative, Round IV

| **Principal investigator name** | **Institutional affiliation** |
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| **Co-PI(s) and institutional affiliation(s)** |
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| **Title of proposal**  | **Country** |
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| **Implementing partner(s)** | **Partner contact** (name, email, phone) |
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| **Co-funder(s)** (if applicable) | **Funded award** (PI, project title, amount) |
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| **Have you previously submitted this proposal, or a related proposal, to any IPA or J-PAL program or initiative?** |
| * Yes
* No
 | If yes, which program or initiative, and when? |
| **Funding requested** | **$** | **Total co-funded[[1]](#footnote-0)** | **$** |
| **Grant start date** | (yyyy-mm-dd) | **Grant end date** | (yyyy-mm-dd) |
| **Institution to receive grant funds** |  | **Contact for contracting**  |  |

# Displaced Livelihoods Initiative Narrative

*[Note: The narrative should not exceed five pages, including the abstract and appendices, but not including the milestones tables. Please use an 11-point Arial font.]*

**Abstract**:

[*150 words max, to be published on the website if the proposal is awarded funding.*]

**Policy problem, DLI relevance, and context:**

[*A summary of the policy problem that motivates this research, how the project fits within the list of priorities in the DLI Call for Proposals, and information about the context. When possible, please include descriptive statistics about the nature and extent of the problem and aspects of local systems and institutions that make it ripe for implementing the intervention at scale.*]

**Intervention and potential impact:**

[*Please provide a summary of the specific program and policy decisions the project is intended to inform, along with the intervention to be scaled. Interventions can be new programs or changes to existing programs, processes, technologies, or delivery systems. Be as specific as possible, and please refer to any discussions with your partner about how this project will inform their work.* *You may wish to consider the following in responding to this question:*

1. *How many people will benefit from the policy or program during the project period, and when*
2. *Indications from your partner about potential further scaling plans*
3. *If the government decides to scale the intervention after the project period, the total number of people who could benefit from this policy or program, and when*
4. *Your team’s estimate of the potential geographical reach of the program*]

**Underlying evidence:**

[*A brief summary of the experimental evidence on this intervention to date, grounding the intervention within the academic literature. Specify which aspects of the existing evidence are or are not likely to generalize given the proposed implementer, context, and delivery model(s). Please include a brief note on the effect size(s) found in previous impact evaluations, whether they were statistically significant, and whether you expect the effect size to be similar in magnitude, lower, or higher in this context and why.*

*N.b. All projects must be based on evidence from one or more rigorous impact evaluations. If not publicly available, please upload the paper(s) on which your scaling proposal is based.*]

**Activities:**

[*Please describe the proposed activities that DLI will fund and how they will contribute to achieving the end goal of scaling the intervention (e.g. technical assistance for adaptation of an innovation to a new context, piloting or implementation activities to scale a previously tested model). Applications seeking to apply evidence in a new context should include a formal scoping process to diagnose the problem and determine whether past evidence is relevant, as well as a process for adapting, piloting, and monitoring the innovation in the new context before scaling.*]

**Implementing partner(s):**

[*Please provide the following:*

1. *A brief history of the partnership with the implementer to date, with a description of their involvement in project activities, any in-kind or financial support they have committed or provided to the project.*
2. *Information about the roles the main program contact(s) will play over the course of the project. Please note whether they are likely to be transferred during the project and what steps you have taken or will take to ensure continuity of the work in the event of a transfer and/or other stakeholders who are equally invested in the partnership*.
3. *Details of upcoming changes to the implementing environment (e.g. elections and/or administration changes) and discuss whether these are likely to affect the project.*
4. *Do you hope to make this a long-term partnership beyond the duration of this proposed project? Do you have a MOU already, or do you plan to create one?*]

**Cost-effectiveness potential and analysis:**

[*Please describe any existing evidence of the cost-effectiveness of the intervention as previously delivered in an experimental or other setting. Provide your assessment of the cost-effectiveness potential of the intervention if delivered at scale. You may wish to consider the theory of change of the intervention and other data to inform how effectiveness may change at scale, and any expected economies of scale that would change the marginal cost per participant. Questions to consider:*

* *What is your rough assessment of what the intervention, in its scalable form without associated research costs, is anticipated to cost per beneficiary reached or per benefit achieved?*
* *When in the data collection process would you collect each of these types of data, and how?*
* *How will you partner with your implementing partner to understand and report the associated costs in these identified categories?*
* *Report any challenges you anticipate facing in collecting or reporting this data. How would you plan to address these challenges?*]

**Likelihood of success:**

[*Please include your subjective assessment of how likely this intervention is to eventually be adopted at scale by the implementer. You should state this answer in terms of “X% likely to happen” and provide your rationale for this assessment. What are the main factors that could prevent this intervention from scaling and how do you plan to address them?*]

**Additional evaluation criteria comments: (optional)**
[*Is there any additional information related to the evaluation criteria you would like to provide (see application instructions) that is not included above?*]

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# Project Milestones

*[Please list each key milestone for the project. We generally expect projects to list 8-15 milestones. Please base all milestones that would be supported by DLI on a start date of* ***June 1, 2025****. Add lines as needed.]*

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# Policy & Practice Influence Milestones

[*If you are submitting a full study or infrastructure and public goods proposal, please list 4-7 policy and practice influence milestones you expect to achieve during this project. Activities could include:*

* *Sharing baseline data, intermediate results, and/or final results with the implementing partners of the study*
* *Sharing baseline data, intermediate results, and/or final results with the broader community of researchers and practitioners*
* *Providing the implementing partner with monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning assistance*
* *Presenting results in the country where the research is taking place (highly encouraged)*
* *Supporting implementing partners to answer operational questions with the collected data, or to map theories of change*
* *Providing technical support for evidence application or scaling*]

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1. Please indicate the total amount of additional grants for this research, if any. [↑](#footnote-ref-0)