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Mega Pledge on Economic
Inclusion and Social Protection



Pillar 2: Programmes

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INTRODUCTION

Building on the **enabling environment** created by **Law and Policy** development and reform, as well as on evidence generated to inform Programming from **Data and Evidence**, **Programmes** seeks to implement programming through:

- **Programmes support , technical assistance, partnerships, initiatives and financing mechanisms** to enhance Economic Inclusion and Social Protection initiatives benefitting forcibly displaced and stateless persons, as well as host communities in refugee-hosting States;
- Financial, technical and partnership support to Economic Inclusion and Social Protection initiatives of **refugee-hosting States**.



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OBJECTIVES OF PROGRAMME PILLAR

Pledges under Pillar 2 **support socio-economic inclusion and access to social protection, highlighting the complementarity of both in achieving self-reliance and resilience** by:

- **Supporting pathways to inclusion** in and adjustment of government **social protection** systems to address the poverty and vulnerabilities across the lifecycle;
- **Developing programmes and providing technical assistance** to facilitate **self-reliance** for people of all ages, genders, and diverse groups;
- **Enabling decent employment and entrepreneurship opportunities in local and digital economies;**
- **Fostering local economic development** and **access to social protection** through intersectional area-based approaches in urban and rural contexts.



GOAL OF PROGRAMME PILLAR

Over the next four years, at least **1 million forcibly displaced and stateless persons**, as well as members of **host communities** are reached with **holistic and sustainable economic inclusion and broader social protection programming**, resulting in:

- expanded **access** to basic services necessary for human development,
- **participation** in economic activities,
- enhanced employment, entrepreneurship and decent work **opportunities in local and global markets.**



MEASURING THE IMPACT OF THE PROGRAMME PILLAR

What do we aim to measure?

- The number of **forcibly displaced and stateless persons, as well as host community member** benefitting from or accessing Economic Inclusion and/or Social Protection programming;
- The number of **refugee-hosting States** receiving financial, technical and/or partnership support to strengthen Economic Inclusion and/or Social Protection programming;
- **Financial and technical contributions** for specific pledges.



EXAMPLE OF PLEDGE – **INCLUSIVE SOCIAL PROTECTION**

PLEDGE: Support national government or other relevant entities to enable the inclusion of forcibly displaced and stateless persons in national social protection services and schemes through monetary, technical and/or partnership support.

Some benefits of support to national social protection systems:

- Forcibly displaced and stateless persons, as well as members of host community, receive improved social protection support.
- National governments' capacity to respond to social protection needs is strengthened.
- Reliance on humanitarian assistance is reduced and resilience to external shocks is promoted.



EXAMPLE OF PLEDGE – **ECONOMIC INCLUSION**

PLEDGE: {number} displaced and stateless persons have access to sustainable and decent self and wage-employment, including digital work, by {date}

Some benefits of support to economic inclusion systems:

- Increased access of forcibly displaced and stateless persons to formal self and wage-employment in the host country.
- Enhanced local economic development and job-matching in host country.
- Reduced reliance on humanitarian assistance and promoted resilience to external shocks.

