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Appendix 17. Recruitment Script for Kebele Authority (in person and phone)

**Instructions:**

* When you arrive to the kebele, go directly to the land administration office.
* In the land administration office, ask to speak with the head of the land administration office and show your introduction letter from EconInsights and the letter from the Ministry of Agriculture authorizing this research.
* If the head of the office is not there, or can’t speak with you, ask for their phone number.

**Once you are speaking with the person you need to interview – in person or over the phone:**

**Introduction:**

Hi, my name is <Name> and I’m part of a research team from EconInsights, a research organization based in Addis Ababa. We are collaborating with Landesa in Washington D.C., USA, to conduct a research study called "Impact Evaluation of Land Certification in 4 Regions in Ethiopia.”

The purpose of this research is to identify the effects of the land certification programs on the lives of men and women in Ethiopia. For that, we are conducting a survey with heads of households (men and women) and wives, first and second, of male heads of households that were interviewed in 2015 (2008 Ethiopian calendar year). We are also inviting some survey participants to be part of group discussions. We will also apply a survey to authorities from the kebele, such as land management committee leaders to get information about the kebeles.

To do this, Landesa and EconInsights will survey:

* Men and Women (18+ years) who are heads of households that participated in the 2015 survey (2008 Ethiopian calendar year).
* Wives, first and second, (18+ years) who are married to heads of households that participated in the 2015 survey (2008 Ethiopian calendar year) that may or may not have participated in the study before.
* Kebele authorities, specifically, leaders of the kebele land administration committees. However, if they are not available we will interview other authorities such as elders, or religious leaders.

And we will hold group discussions with:

* Men and women heads of households that are taking part of the current survey
* Wives who are taking part of the current survey

We would like to know if you would be interested in participating in the survey as the land administration official.

*If no – thank you for your time*

*If yes – proceed to the procedures*

**Procedures**:

If you are interested in taking part, we will apply a survey with 85 questions that will take approximately 1.5 hours. We will talk with you in private.

If you are interested in taking part in the study, we will find a time, date and place for you to meet with you in person, give you more information about the study, and conduct the survey if you are not available to hear more now.

Participation in the survey is voluntary, meaning it is your decision whether to participate or not. If you decide not to take part now or during the survey, we will respect the decision and we will not ask why the decision was made.

Are you interested in hearing more about the study and scheduling a meeting?

NO, Thank you for your time.

YES

*If yes* in person - Do you want to hear more about the study now and take the survey? And proceed if they say yes.

If no, or on the phone; s*chedule day/time/location for research team to seek informed consent and conduct the survey*.

*Note down address of the respondent.*

If you have any questions, please ask me freely.