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Local Learnings: Guna-Goreku Stretim Hauslain Association



**Stories of positive change in Papua
New Guinea: A Case Study**

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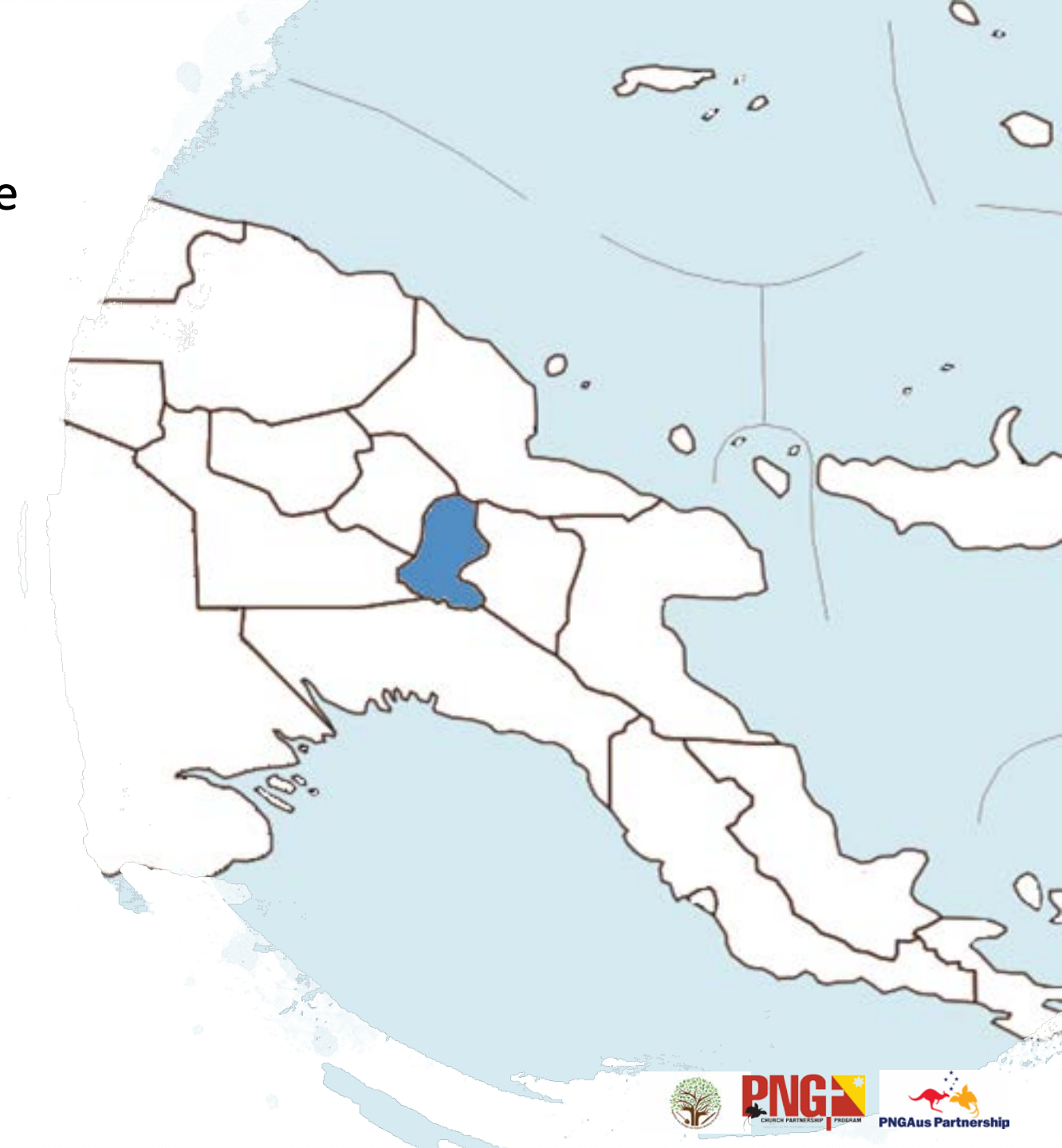
Introduction

Goreku Community

Sinesine Yongomul District, Simbu Province

Why did we undertake this case study?

- To gain a deeper understanding on how change happen;
- Insights into local solutions;
- To support community driven development; and;
- To understand underlying process of social change





How did we
capture the story?

Methods and Approaches

Qualitative & Participatory methods:

- *20 focus group discussions*
- *15 individual interviews*
- *5 key informants group discussion*
- *Visual data collection*
- Analysis workshops
- Internal QA
- Peer Reviews
- Community validation



How does change happen?



Change in Goreku

Six disruptive issues

- Tribal fighting
- Illegal firearms
- Drugs and alcohol
- SARV
- GBV
- Block voting

8 development pillars

- Spiritual
- Socio-economic
- Human Resource
- Family, Community Care and Adult Literacy
- Infrastructure
- Health, Sanitation and Community Beautification
- Law and Order
- Sports and Recreation



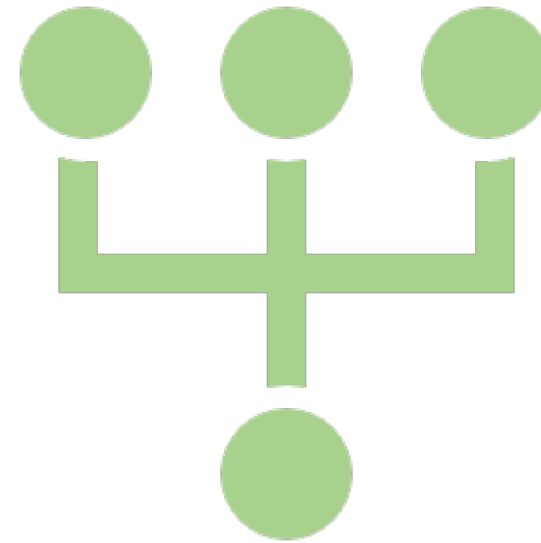
Four key findings...

Finding 1: Process of change depends on strong and committed leadership from within

Leadership



Governance Structures

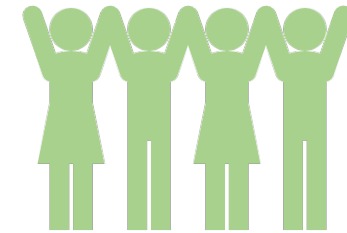


Finding 2: Factors and motivations for change are multifaceted

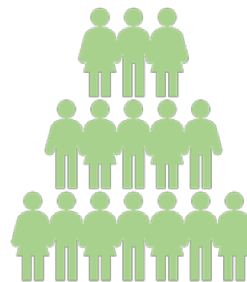
Leaders: Desire for safe and prosperous community



The People: Real Changers



The Community: Biblical Examples



Finding 3: Key drivers & enablers of positive social change are based on power sharing & co-creation of the change process



Leaders



Churches and ecumenicalism



GGSHA 8 Pillars



The revitalised Hausman system



Power sharing and the co-creation of the change process



Finding 4: Role of Theology of Gender Equality and training provides a meaningful reference point



Bible adult literacy training



Awareness of Gender Equality



**Social Inclusiveness &
Community Rehabilitation**



So what?

The story of GGSHA illustrates that it is possible for social change to happen within a short period of time if there is:

- ✓ a strong committed leaders from within
- ✓ a meaningful governance structure in place.

Implications for programming

- ✓ Knowledge sharing
- ✓ Social change motivated by committed local leadership
- ✓ Supporting Locally led Gender Equality Initiatives



Thank you

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