Focus Group Discussion (FGD) Guide Questions

FGD IDENTIFICATION (to be filled-up by Facilitators)

1. FGD #	
2. Facilitators (name and signature)	
3. CSO	
4. Date of FGD	
Time started	
Time finished	
5. Name of village	
6. Location (Town, Province)	
7. Participants (men, women)	

1.0 Housing and homelot

1.1. For most of the participants in this FGD, how many years have you been staying in this community?

Possible responses:

- Zero to 10 years
- 11 to 20 years
- 20 to 30 years
- More than 30 years
- 1.2. For most of the participants in this FGD, from where have you migrated? (if response to question 1.1 is Zero to 10 years)
- 1.3. For most of the participants in this FGD, what is the structure of your house/dwelling?

This guide was discussed, approved and used by the partners in the conduct of selected community studies in Cambodia, Nepal and the Philippines. Given the different country contexts, the partners agreed to modify the questions appropriate to their respective situations.

Possible responses:

- Temporary: made up mostly of light materials, eg, nipa and bamboo, sometimes or possibly no floor (ground only)
- semi-temporary: made up of light materials mixed with wood (lumber)
- semi-permanent: made up of combined lumber and concrete with nipa or galvanized roofing
- permanent: made up of concrete and well-finished structure with galvanized roofing
- For most of the participants in this FGD, what is the ownership status of your homelot?

Possible responses:

- Owned
- Rented
- Tenanted
- Guthi (Nepal)
- used for free
- public land/informal settler
- 1.4. For most of the participants in this FGD, what is the source of your drinking water?

Possible responses:

- piped in water
- artesian well/pump well
- open well
- spring water
- rain water
- 1.5. For most of the participants in this FGD, what is the estimated size of your homelot? (Note: Provide size ranges. For ex: "less than 300sqm" "300sqm and up")
- 1.6. For most of the participants in this FGD, do you presently feel that you have security of tenure over your homelot? Why (or why not?)

2.0. Sources of income and livelihood

- 2.1. For most of the participants in this FGD, what is the primary source of income in your household? (On-farm, Off-farm, Non-farm) Who is involved in the generation of the primary source of income? (Men, women or both. Discuss)
- 2.1.1 If your primary source of income is on-farm or off-farm, what is the status of employment of your primary source of income?

 Possible responses:
 - Permanent
 - Temporary
 - casual
 - contractual
 - seasonal/occasional
 - self-employed
- 2.1.2 How frequent do you receive your income? (possible responses: daily, monthly, every harvest, etc)
- 2.2 For most of the participants in this FGD, what is the secondary source of income in your household (if any)? (On-farm, Off-farm, Non-farm)

3.0. Migration

- 3.1 For among your families, are there household members who have migrated to other places in the past 5 years?
- 3.2 Who are those who have migrated? (Women or men? Young or old? Educated or not)
- 3.3 Why did they out-migrate?
- 3.4 Where did they go?
- 3.5 Do they send money to the family? How often? For what purpose?

4.0. Credit/loan and sources

- 4.1. What is the main source of your credit (if any)? (Possible responses bank, family members, relatives, friends, moneylender, cooperatives, others)
- 4.2. What is the purpose and actual use of credit?
- 4.3. What are the credit arrangements (interest, payment schedule, etc.)?

5.0. Tenurial status of farm lands

- 5.1. In this community, what is the average size of your total farmland/area being farmed?
- 5.2. What is your tenure status? (Note: Provide choices that follow the same pattern used for the categories identified in the country's land tenure continuum.)
- 5.3. What tenurial instrument do you have? (Note: Nepal and Cambodia,

Cambodia			Nepal	Philippines				
	☐ For Community Forestry			Public land tiller		Migrant or Seasonal worker		
		Informal settlers		Contract farmer		Informal Settler		
		Settlers with delineated forestry area Community forestry permit under processing		Sharecropper		Agricultural labourer or Farm- worker		
	_		☐ Tenants (in private lands)		_			
				Farmers tilling land on		Farmer-Claimant		
				mortgage		Sharecropper		
		Community Forestry Agreement issued		Guthi land tiller		Leaseholder		
	For Agricultural Lands] Birta land tiller		Owner-Cultivator w/ title deed		
		Land actually being farmed Land claim recognized by the village		Smallholder		or land patent		
						CLOA holder, awarded free or under amortization		
						CLOA holder, w/ land under		
						formal lease-out or contract		
						Individual CLOA holder, land		
		Land under possession right document given				pawned-out informally		
		by the commune and village chief				Collective CLOA holder, land awaiting subdivision Owner non-cultivator		
		Titled land						

the choices that will provided will have to reflect whether the instrument is formal or informal.)

Possible responses:

- Land title
- Deed of mortgage/sale
- Certificate of Land Ownership Award
- Leasehold contract
- Tenancy certificates
- Local government recommendation letter
- Share tenancy contract
- Stewardship award/contract
- Legal proof of local government
- None
- 5.4. What is your main crop?
- 5.5. What is your secondary crop (if any)?
- 5.6. How much of your main crop is used for HH consumption, for selling, both?
- 5.7. Do you presently feel that you have security of tenure over your farmland? Why or why not?

6.0. Perception on food security

- 6.1. What is the main source of food for your households? (Possible answers: Farming, Income from work, Both farming and income from work. Explain)
- 6.2. In your view, does your household have sufficient food? Why do you say so? Explain.
- 6.3. In your view, does your household have diversity of food to satisfy your nutritional needs? Why do you say so? Explain.
- 6.4. In your experience, when can we say that a family or community has "food security"? Identify the factors needed for food security. Why do you say so? Explain.

- 6.5. Has your family/community experienced the lack of food anytime during the past year (2016)?
- 6.6. If so, during what months and what are the contributing factors?

Note: The facilitator can use the calendar below to generate the answers for 6.5 and 6.6.

6.7. In your view, will your household/community will have enough supply of staple food for the next year? Explain.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Lack of Food												
Reasons												

- 6.8. In your view, what are the factors that would best ensure food security in your household/community? Explain.
- 6.9. How important is land tenure to your food security? Explain.

7.0. Perception of community problems

- 7.1. What do you consider as the three major problems affecting your community at present? Explain.
- 7.2. Do you have any suggestions to solve these problems? Please state clearly.

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This publication, "From the Farmland to the Table: Exploring the Links Between Tenure and Food Security," is the culmination of the project: "Piloting and consolidation of the Food Security Framework," launched in September 2016. With the support of the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) through its rural CSO cluster, the main goal of the project is to conduct an exploratory study on establishing the link of land tenure to food security.

This publication contains a regional overview of the community studies, the edited version of the community study conducted in Cambodia, the abridged versions of the community studies conducted in Nepal and Philippines, and the guide questions used in the focus group discussions. The studies were presented during the Regional Forum on Continuum of Land Rights and Food Security held at Quezon City, Philippines last 16 October 2017. The authors met on the following day to finalize the papers based on the inputs from the regional forum.

This work forms part of ANGOC's contribution to the discourse on access to land as a key intervention in addressing food insecurity in rural Asia.