

# Averting a Global Food Crisis

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# COVID-19 Impact on Target Groups

## IMPACT



Reduced access to inputs, services, markets, food



Supply chain disruption, rural poverty- urban food security disruption

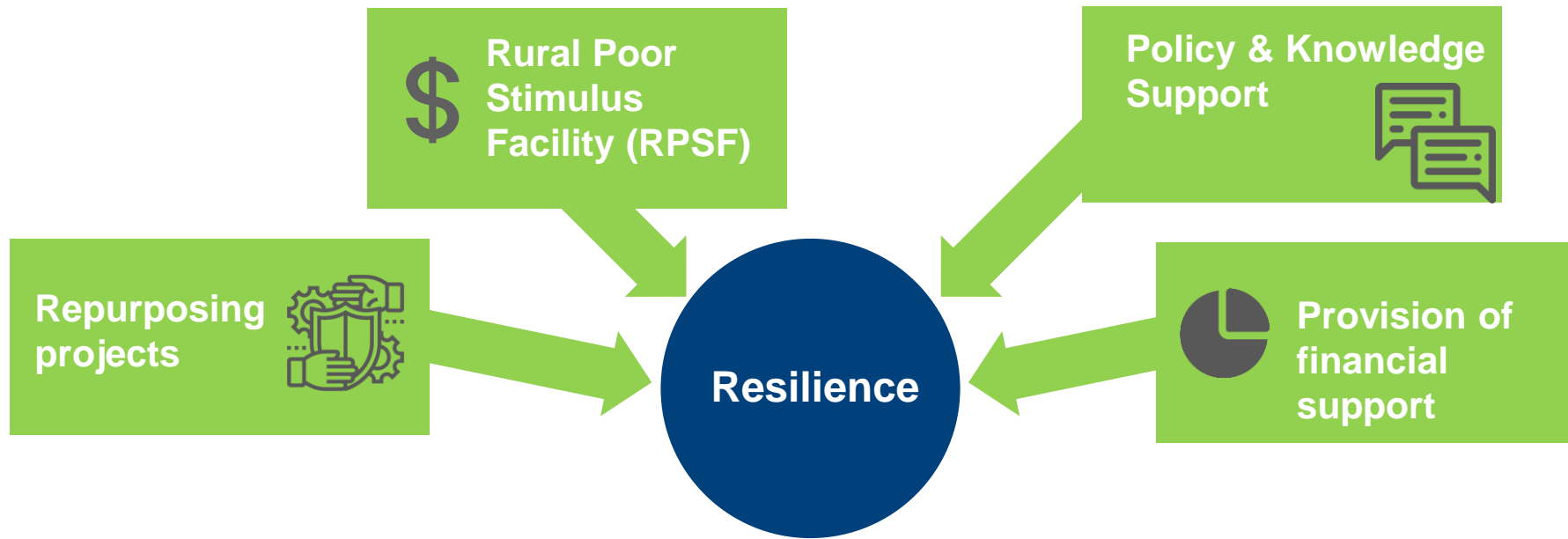


Vulnerable rural people lose income and work opportunities





# Building resilience: IFAD's corporate operational response to the COVID-19 pandemic



# COVID-19 Rural Poor Stimulus Facility

IFAD's Rural Poor Stimulus Facility (RPSF) aims to improve the food security and resilience of poor rural people affected by the COVID-19 crisis, in four main areas:

(i) Provision of inputs and basic assets for production



- Inputs and basic assets provided to small-scale farmers to support production and weather immediate effects of economic crisis

(ii) Facilitated access to markets



- Support market access, including logistics and storage support to avoid losses, facilitating transport, and ensuring markets remain open and demand high

(iii) Adapted financial services



- Delivery of targeted funds through existing finance institutions in IFAD project areas to ensure businesses remain solvent and farmers meet immediate loan repayment requirements

(iv) Digital solutions to sharing information



- Provision of digital agricultural services to facilitate up-to-date information on production, weather, market prices and other important areas

# Thank you