The Impacts of Social Safety Net and Integrated Nutrition Programs

This session will present impact assessments evaluating three social safety net and integrated nutrition programs from Guatemala, Egypt and Bangladesh. It will review the modalities of the programs, including their transfer mechanisms and the conditionalities and/or behavioral change components as well as the methodology used to evaluate them. It will discuss the impacts on beneficiaries with particular attention to outcomes related to health and nutrition and discuss what mechanisms of the program were most successful at achieving impact. A question and answer period will follow and a short synthesis will conclude.

Speakers:

Introduction and session overview
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Transfer Modalities, Behavior Change Communication, and Child Nutrition: Evidence from Bangladesh
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The impact of a food-assisted integrated health and nutrition program in Guatemala on maternal and child nutrition outcomes
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The Impact of Egypt’s Cash Transfer Programme
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Agriculture, Nutrition, and Gender Linkages (ANGeL) in Bangladesh
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Synthesis and Conclusion
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