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South-South Series: Empowering and Growing Women-led Business

Session 10: Food security in the
face of climate disasters: women
entrepreneurs leading solutions

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Food security is built before the disaster

Women entrepreneurs leading climate resilience

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Prepare for the disasters we see — and those we do not

Hurricanes require rapid protection of people, crops and assets. Drought unfolds more slowly, affecting water, yields and income.

Through our Life Academy and partnership with CARE Intl., we are strengthening preparedness among staff and women farmers.

Early action is also a food-security intervention.



Protect choice, nutrition and livelihoods

Relief should meet dietary needs and respect food preferences — not simply distribute standardized hampers.

Locally sourced food, appropriate vouchers and market support can help families while keeping money circulating among farmers and small businesses.

Recovery should strengthen, not bypass, local food systems.



Community is our first response network

Trusted coordinators and FarmHers check on one another, identify urgent needs and share accurate information when communications and supply chains are disrupted.

These relationships help assistance reach people faster — and preserve agency.

A network is most valuable when it can act.



Climate education is business resilience

Our Ag-cademy connects practical agricultural learning with stronger livelihoods: soil and water management, adaptive production, diversification and entrepreneurship.

Markets and financial capability also matter: women need pathways to continue earning after shocks.

Knowledge + market access + enabling resources.



Relationships turn information into decisions

During a response in Saint Vincent, an incoming relief convoy needed a timely decision while officials were difficult to reach.

A connection within our community network reached someone in Parliament, enabling the message to be relayed and action taken.

Invest in women as decision-makers, not only recipients of aid.





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