



## ***BFS/DCHA Working through a Hypothetical Climate Change Scenario***

***based on Cadmus CSAR Drought Adaptation Forum***

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**Overview:** Participants will gaze into the future where the integration of climate change into food security and agricultural development has not been prioritized. Communities in Malawi are feeling the effect, but we have the time, if we take action now, to make corrections to our programs to help communities adapt to become more resilient and sustainable. The exercise will focus on an interactive, facilitated, and hands-on exercise with workshop participants. The exercise will allow participants to practice impact and risk screening of the hypothetical future scenario and analyze and integrate current actions, given conditions as they stand now, that will position us for long term planning for climate change.

**Goal:** Through storytelling, participants will focus on their actions, as a hypothetical team, necessary to understand the actions of communities and to leverage their knowledge of the “potential” future conditions to develop example actions that communities can take to advance sustainability and enhance resilience over the next ten (10) years in preparation for a changing climate. The process of discovery and action developed through the exercise will serve as a method for participants to analyze and plan for climate adaptation in their own programs during the later working sessions.

**Objectives:** As the donors and IPs, we will:

1. **Create a Vision:** What can a sustainable and resilient Malawi look like in 2026? What indicators are needed to determine whether the vision is achieved in 2026? What conditions are inter-related?
2. **Prioritize Actions:** What climate mitigation, adaptation, disaster risk reduction, and environmental safeguards actions can you take now so that this scenario does not become a reality in 2026? Which are your priority? What other sectors should you consider? Where can we improve? What is working well? What to build on?
3. **Build the Case with Beneficiaries:** What strategic messaging, acts of leadership, or plans are needed to build the case with communities/beneficiaries to achieve the vision of a truly sustainable and resilient Malawi?

### **Resources:**

- Malawi in 2026 Narrative
- Journaling Notes
- Card Deck
- & YOUR OWN EXPERIENCE!!