Phase II of our research
Livelihoods, behaviour and state legitimacy under conflict: 2017 - 2019

Researching livelihoods and services affected by conflict
Who are we?
The Secure Livelihoods Research Consortium (SLRC) is a global research programme exploring livelihoods, basic services and social protection in conflict-affected situations. SLRC was established in 2011 with the aim of strengthening the evidence base and informing policy and practice around livelihoods and services in conflict.

Where do we work?
Afghanistan, Democratic Republic of Congo, Nepal, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Sri Lanka and Uganda.

Where have we been?
Our first phase of research (2011 - 2017) was based around three research questions on state legitimacy, state capacity and livelihood trajectories and economic activity under conflict.

Where are we going?
Guided by our phase I research, the second phase of SLRC delves into the questions that remain.

This phase is made up of two components: 1) the third round of the SLRC longitudinal panel survey; 2) thematically focused research projects organised into three themes:

Theme 1 (Livelihoods): What are the underlying reasons for continued livelihood instability in post-conflict recovery situations?

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Theme 2 (Behaviour): Through what mechanisms do perceptions, definitions and experiences translate into behaviour that aids or hinders post-conflict recovery?

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Theme 3 (Legitimacy): What role does service delivery play in the construction of state legitimacy?

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