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Sub theme 4: Making the linkages between climate change and migration
“‘What have we learned from past and for future climate impacts, African agriculture performance at risk, rural exodus?’

A review of the evidence from within and outside Africa”

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I. Context/Background – climate change and migration – not new phenomenon

II. A review of the evidence: African agriculture at risk, California, India, Syria, Ethiopia

III. Way forward – need for a conceptual revolution towards improved understanding of African agriculture performance and greater resilience

1981-2006 (ag GDP and climate variability)
I. A review of the evidence within and outside Africa – California recent drought impacts - water & agriculture industry
I. A review of the evidence: African agriculture at risk

Cereal sector performance uncertain

Key affected areas
- The Sahelian belt: Burkina Faso and cultivated regions of southern Mali, Niger, Chad and Sudan (northern parts of country uncultivated or unsuitable for cereal production).
- Nigeria, Senegal and Sierra Leone (West Africa).
- Eastern Ethiopia and Somalia.
- Southern east Africa: Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Zambia and Angola.

What have we learned from past and for future climate impacts, African agriculture performance at risk and rural to urban exodus?

- African Agriculture performance at risk with increased rural exodus expected across the continent
- Other agricultures at risk too. California, India, Syria
Way forward & future prospects

- Need for a conceptual revolution towards a better understanding of African agriculture risk to achieve greater resilience into the future...