

IDEA Project: Randomised Evaluation of Women's Empowerment in Aquaculture, Northwest Bangladesh

Gender Equality · Good practice · Bangladesh

Quality score: 41/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

A 3ie randomised evaluation of WorldFish's IDEA aquaculture project across 551 villages in Rajshahi and Rangpur found income gains came mainly from market forces, nutrition stayed flat, and gender-attitude shifts were mixed.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	0/1
Effectiveness	0/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	0/1
Achievement / evidence	0/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

[WorldFish \(CGIAR\) / 3ie, funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

[3ie: Aquaculture for Livelihoods, Nutrition and Women's Empowerment](#) — accessed 2026-07-11

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