# Nudges and Norms: Peer Networks as a Platform for Encouraging Pro-Social Investment in Preventive Health Care Products

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#### **Motivation**

- Current empirical literature on peer effects demonstrates that social networks can influence a diverse set of individual choices
  - Saving (Duo and Saez, 2002); Investment (Hong, Kubik and Stein, 2004); Technology adoption (Bandiera and Rasul, 2006; Conley and Udry, 2001)
- In particular, compelling evidence that peer networks can facilitate the take up of a variety of health technologies
  - Deworming pills (Miguel and Kremer, 2004), insecticide treated bed nets (Dupas, 2014) and menstrual cups (Oster and Thronton, 2011)
- However, the role attributed to peer networks in this literature is limited to one of information diffusion and learning facilitation
- Evidence from the lab and field on contributions to public goods has shown that social networks can also be powerful catalysts for socially desirable behavior
  - by triggering image motivation, leadership, or the desire to seek approval from others
- Yet, the presence or strength of these motivations in influencing decision making over health remains unexplored, despite low take-up of preventive health products
- This paper assesses the impact of using peer groups (in this case village based community organizations) to introduce and encourage the uptake of a critical preventive health care product through a series of framed field experiments

# Roadmap of talk

- Motivation and Questions
- Description of underlying IE on which the motivation IE was done
- Description of the motivation IE and each FFE
- Elicitation of the WTP in each FFE
- Elicitation of the social norm around WTP
- Results

#### The Preventive Health Product Used and its Need

#### Point of Use (POU) water treatment

#### Why Water?

- High levels of water contamination in sample area despite near universal access to improved water sources
- Over 2/3rds of all water E-coli contaminated
  - 68% of water collected from storage devices in homes
  - 55% of water collected from from community water schemes –at source
  - 35% of water collected from household water sources (hand pumps and mechanized pumps)
  - But rates as high as 50% at source in some areas
- Diarrhea caused by bacterial, viral and parasitic agents most commonly spread through feces-contaminated water. Pakistan has over 50,000 annual child deaths from diarrhea
- The relationship between diarrhea and stunting well established
- In addition to diarrheal causes, scientists are investigating the role of environmental enteropathy (EE) in contributing to linear growth deficit
  - EE develops from constant exposure to fecal pathogens and compromises intestinal absorption of nutrients – most dangerous for 0-5 year olds.

## Impact of Water Contamination on Diarrhea and Stunting

- Stunting and Diarrhea Rates
  - Diarrhea 23% (2012 national)
  - Stunting: 43% (2011, national)
- The midline survey also collected self-reported diarrhea incidence amongst children 0-5 years in past 6 months
  - At the HH level, over 40% of the households (with 0-5 kids) report an incidence of diarrhea in the past 6 months
  - Contamination of drinking water at POU positively predicts diarrhea incidence

#### Why POU?

- Nearly 99% of households stated that they did not treat their water in any way
- Over 96% of households stored their water before use, hence POU treatment necessary
- Water sources are not typically shared and contamination doubles between source and storage point

#### Why chlorine tablets?

 Locally sourced and therefore sustainable; cheap (Rs. 240/month for HH) at market price; recommended by WHO

## Questions

- Can affinity based community organizations help build demand for POU water treatment with chlorine?
  - Offering chlorine tablets for sale in a CO meeting allows us to leverage social incentives to increase individual adoption
- Which types of motivation triggers are most impactful?
  - We test three: Image, Leadership, Subsidy
- Do women respond differently in villages that got the inclusion treatment in the underlying IE?
- Do VO members (leaders of COs) as 'Natural' leaders act in a more pro-social manner?

# Underlying IE from 2010-2016 created the community groups

#### **Deepen Inclusion**

- At least 50% of HHs organized into Community Organization (COs)
  - The social groups include women only, men only and mixed gender groups
  - Cover more than 50% of the village population which ensures greater representativeness and generalizability of our results.
  - Create a Village Level Organization (VO) based on CO leaders

# Provide an open livelihood fund to each village

- US \$30,000 per village plus 20% community contribution
- VO creates village development plan (VDP) to allocate the CIF

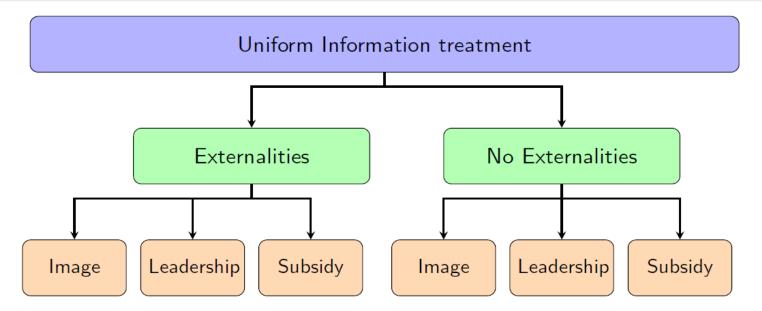
158 villages in 5 districts across Pakistan

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Inclusion	Yes	No	50
Yes	27	27	
No	27	27	

#### **Improve Governance**

- Inclusion mandates for women and for poor HHs (Poverty Score Card)
  - At least 40% of CO and VO members need to be women and 50% need to be from poor households
- VDP subject the to village wide secret ballot ratification

#### Motivation IE Design-July-September 2016 (post endline)



Information campaign (village level treatment) delivered at CO meetings (designed for largely low/no literacy context)

#### Campaign focused on:

- Village water contamination levels
- Key health behaviors to keep water safe and prevent contamination/recontamination
- Use of chlorine for POU water treatment
- Water tasting and distribution of water storage canister to each HH free of charge

In the externalities arm, attendees were informed that their actions would affect the health of others as well as their own health

Three behavioral FFEs (within village, CO level randomization) used to encourage POU water treatment

#### **Structure of the Image FFE**

<u>Image motivation</u> (Ariely et al., 2009) is the tendency of individual behavior to be affected by the perceptions of others, the impact of which is inherently tied to how visible individual behavior is to their social reference group

Meeting participants are randomly assigned to one of three treatment arms:

#### Arm 1: Private Bid

- Private bidders are told that their bids will not be revealed to anyone in their meeting group
- Arm 2: Public Bid
  - Public bidders are told that the bid they place will be revealed to everyone in the meeting group at the end of the bidding process
- Arm 3: Self-selection into bidding
  - Participants select their own bidding environment, public or private
- Question: Do individuals have higher demand when their actions are observable to other CO members (Public)? Does self-selection into public bidding increase WTP? Who self-selects?

#### **Structure of the Leadership FFE**

#### Meeting participants are randomly assigned to one of two groups:

#### Arm 1: Randomized Leader

- One half of the participants in the randomized sample are randomized into first mover position
- Randomized first movers are told that their bids will be collected first and revealed to randomized followers before the latter place their bids

#### Arm 2: Self Select Leader

- Participants are told that they can self-select into a first mover position
- Self-selected first movers place their bids first which are revealed to the self-selected followers before the latter place their bids

#### Natural Leaders:

- 'Natural leaders' are subject to the same randomization as the meeting participants and therefore fall into one of the following treatment arms:
  - Natural Randomized Leader
  - Natural Self Select Leader

**Question:** Which types of leaders are more effective (have higher wtp and encourage demand among others? Those who are picked in the intervention to be leaders or those who self-select into leadership positions? Who self-selects?

## **Structure of the Subsidy FFE**

#### Arm 1: Randomized Sharing

- Each member is anonymously paired with a fellow CO member
- Each member is told:
- that they can privately choose how much of their subsidy to share
  - they are explicitly told that they may share 0, effectively keeping the full subsidy
- that subsidies are only triggered by purchase
  - If no purchase, their own subsidy and the subsidy shared by them will be lost.
  - the option of utilizing any subsidy transferred to them by their partner is also lost

#### Arm 2: Self Selection Sharing

- Players are allowed to choose whether they want an individual or shared subsidy
- As before, subsidies are only triggered by purchase

In both arms, players are unaware of how much subsidy they have received from their partners until all decision making is over

**Question:** Do subsidies work better to encourage demand when they are provided to individuals or when they are shared? Does self selection into sharing improve outcomes? Who-self-selects?

#### **Elicitation of WTP**

- Offered price varied from Rs. 60-150
- Image and Leadership FFEs: The purchase decision is elicited via a Becker DeGroot Marschak (BDM) auction:
  - Participants are asked to state their reservation price for the product —their bid
  - Price (P) is determined randomly via lottery
  - If P<= MWTP, the bidder must purchase the product at P</li>
  - If P>MWTP, the bidder cannot purchase the product
- The dominant strategy for a bidder is to bid their MWTP
- BDM has been tested in a similar population of low numeracy and shown consistent results (Berry et al., 2015)
- **Subsidy FFE:** The purchase decision is elicited via a Take It Or Leave It (TIOLI) offer:
  - Price is determined randomly via lottery
  - Participants can choose whether or not to purchase at the randomly drawn price minus any subsidy (The subsidy size was fixed at Rs. 40.

## Elicitation of others WTP (tells us the social norm)

 Prior to random assignment within each meeting, we elicit beliefs from individual bidders regarding the average willingness to pay at the meeting level:

How much do you think the average CO member in this meeting will be willing to pay for the chlorine tablets today?

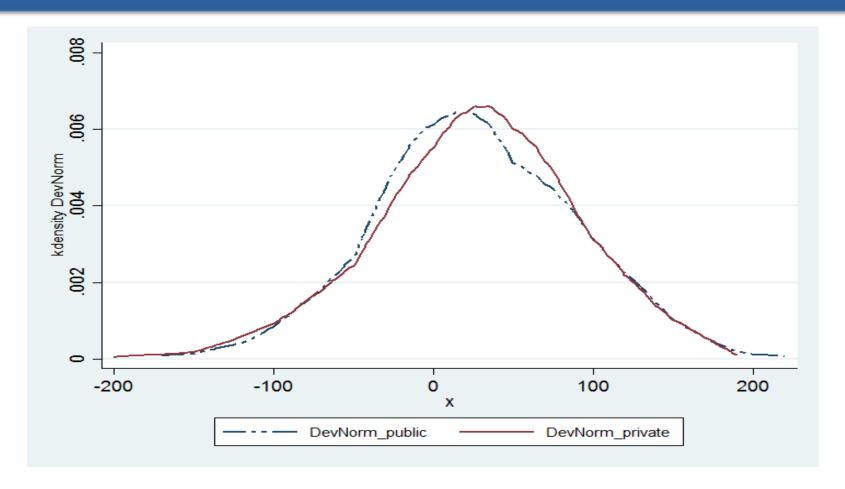
- We can use these individuals beliefs regarding the social norm to construct a variable – DevNorm – that denotes the deviation of an individual's bid from their belief regarding the social norm (BidNorm).
- This denotes the degree of conformity to the social norm that an individual exercises in their bidding behavior when they are randomized into private or public bidding
- DevNorm thus measures how far bidders are willing to deviate from their perception of the descriptive norm.
- For the Image FE: If individuals demonstrate status seeking influences in public, bids should increase in public. If individuals demonstrate conformity in public, the DevNorm should decrease in public

## **Image Results: Max WTP and Public Bidding**

- Randomization into public bidding has no impact on the WTP at the conditional mean
- If individuals were displaying pure status seeking in public we would have expected this coefficient to be positive

Table 1: Public Bidding - ATE in	Randomize	d Sample
	(1)	(2)
	Ма	x WTP
Public Bid	0.193	-0.747
	(2.218)	(2.301)
_cons	106.8***	96.85***
	(3.149)	(7.899)
N	1892	1806
Mean Dependent Var (Private Bid)	106.6	106.2
Fixed effects	SMT	SMT
Controls	No	Yes

## **Image Results: DevNorm and Public Bidding**



 Randomization into public bidding shifts the distribution of the DevNorm function, with the distribution more closely centered around zero

## **Image Results: DevNorm and Public Bidding**

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
					DevNorm	1			
Quantile	Q10	Q20	Q30	Q40	Q50	Q60	Q70	Q80	Q90
Public bid	0.448 (7.891)	-2.688 (3.744)	-8.444** (3.770)	-8.006** (3.184)	-6.670** (3.276)	-6.024 (4.245)	-1.827 (4.841)	1.690 (3.873)	2.639 (5.924)
_cons	-63.79*** (22.22)	-21.98** (10.93)	12.74 (17.68)	36.36** (15.48)	39.49*** (12.26)	52.46*** (9.444)	60.26*** (10.46)	78.93*** (11.35)	97.42*** (11.00)
N	1456	1456	1456	(13.48) 1456	1456	1456	1456	1456	1456
MDepVar	-82.23	-18.66	5.16	18.34	29.13	42.74	56.02	73.5	101.1

- Randomization into public bidding results in a reduction in the DevNorm in the portion of the distribution where bidders are bidding above their beliefs regarding the average group bid
- Bidders thus narrow the difference between their own bids and their beliefs regarding the average group bid —resulting in increased conformity in public bidding

## **Image Results: Conformity and Public Bidding**

**Table 5: Probability of Bidding Higher than BidNorm** 

	(1)	(2)	(3)
	Pr (MWTP > BidNorm)	Pr (MWTP = BidNorm)	Pr (MWTP < BidNorm)
Public Bid	-0.058***	0.032**	0.0265
	(0.0251)	(0.0168)	(0.0209)
_cons	0.540***	0.100***	0.359***
	(0.577)	(0.397)	(0.0517)
N	1456	1456	1456
Mean Dep Var (Private Bid)	0.648	0.104	0.248

- Randomization into public bidding also results in a significantly higher probability of placing bids that are equivalent to the individual's beliefs regarding the average group bid
- Hence, in public, individuals are more likely to follow the crowd (or their belief regarding the crowd)

#### **Image Results: Externalities and Max WTP**

			Table 6: Ex	ternalities a	nd Confori	mity			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
					DevNorn	1			
Quantile	Q10	Q20	Q30	Q40	Q50	Q60	Q70	Q80	Q90
Public Bid	-7.574	-7.413	-8.264	-9.962***	-10.69**	-9.839*	-4.855	-2.846	6.900
	(7.198)	(7.958)	(5.189)	(3.291)	(4.590)	(5.265)	(5.537)	(7.635)	(8.786)
Externality	-9.585	-5.310	-1.451	-3.117	-8.686**	-5.346	2.730	2.678	10.29
	(9.951)	(6.768)	(5.644)	(4.017)	(4.009)	(4.988)	(4.534)	(4.973)	(8.172)
Public*Externality	17.30	10.35	5.283	5.912	10.69*	12.01	5.938	3.750	-11.57
	(10.75)	(10.10)	(7.581)	(5.015)	(5.940)	(7.619)	(8.264)	(8.717)	(10.25)
N					1456				
MeanDepVar (Pvt)	-43.07	-15.7	3.86	18.81	30.82	44.39	57.92	76.16	99.03
Ftest Pub = Pub*Ext	0.3267	0.2636	0.1933	0.064	0.0092	0.059	0.3272	0.6458	0.3179

- The negative impact of conformity is drawn from villages where externalities priming is not done
- When externalities priming is done, bidders randomized into public bidding increase their bids and the disparity between their bids and their beliefs regarding the average bid – consistent with status seeking

## **Image Results: Conformity and Women**

			Table 7: 0	Sender and	Conformit	У			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
					DevNorr				
Quantile	Q10	Q20	Q30	Q40	Q50	Q60	Q70	Q80	Q90
Public Bid	1.909	-1.758	-7.706	-2.815	0.695	0.566	0.362	-6.504	-5.540
	(10.24)	(7.352)	(7.101)	(5.011)	(5.527)	(4.261)	(4.989)	(5.322)	(5.434)
Female	13.54	4.477	6.440	10.83**	9.461**	8.989	3.051	-6.547	-10.82**
	(14.48)	(6.268)	(5.669)	(4.255)	(4.703)	(5.729)	(4.580)	(6.891)	(5.410)
Public*Female	-4.505	-1.091	-1.090	-8.175	-10.55	-10.57	-4.238	10.99	11.21
	(14.90)	(8.185)	(7.054)	(6.657)	(7.226)	(8.704)	(8.012)	(8.701)	(9.745)
N					1456				
MeanDepVar (Pvt)	-57.29	-21.76	1.38	9.95	20.06	34.15	52.99	80.86	111.42
Ftest Fem=Pub*Fem	0.512	0.699	0.508	0.068	0.077	0.153	0.521	0.231	0.111

- Overall, the trend towards conformity appears to be stronger among women
- Hence, while women bid higher than men across much of the bidding distribution, they
  are also more likely to lower their bids in public in line with the conformity effects found
  in the full sample

## **Image Results: Conformity and Women**

Table 7_2	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Pr (MWTP:	>BidNorm)	Pr (MWTP	=BidNorm)
	Females	Males	Female	Males
Public	-0.0936***	-0.0218	0.0488**	0.0145
	(0.0352)	(0.0357)	(0.0237)	(0.0241)
_cons	0.616***	0.500***	0.0577	0.131**
	(0.0755)	(0.0794)	(0.0480)	(0.0558)
N	745	711	745	711

- This is clearer in the tendency of women to lower their bids in Public, when they are bidding in excess of their beliefs regarding the average willingness to bid
- In tandem, there is a rise in the probability of placing bids equivalent to their beliefs regarding the average bid in the group
- This pattern is not replicated for men

#### **Image Results: Conformity and Women in Mixed Meetings**

		Table 8:	Gender an	d Conform	ity Mixed	Meetings			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
					DevNori	m			
Quantile	Q10	Q20	Q30	Q40	Q50	Q60	Q70	Q80	Q90
Public Bid	-17.13*	-4.038	-8.02e-14	-1.40e-13	0.936	5.160	4.298	-1.585	-3.157
	(9.984)	(6.854)	(7.014)	(4.660)	(5.408)	(5.837)	(7.775)	(8.796)	(9.925)
Female	-11.95	-8.545	1.22e-13	10.00***	6.160	9.172	0.0900	-6.172	-20.57
	(12.78)	(6.942)	(7.921)	(3.821)	(4.749)	(7.436)	(7.481)	(8.223)	(14.42)
Public*Female	20.04	-1.025	-10.000	-10.000*	-10.78	-15.06	-7.513	5.862	11.78
	(17.15)	(10.65)	(11.32)	(5.466)	(8.179)	(9.992)	(9.349)	(10.31)	(13.71)
N					968				
MeanDepVar (Pvt) Ftest	-27.53	-12.51	4.67	8.89	22.63	31.12	52.76	81.09	119.28
Fem=Public*Fem	0.261	0.611	0.557	0.009	0.1545	0.123	0.6182	0.428	0.222

- This effect seems stronger and more stable among women in mixed groups.
- While men in mixed meetings appear to not show any evidence of conformity, for women in mixed groups, the disparity between their bids and their beliefs regarding the group average bid decreases when randomized into public bidding

## **Image Results: Conformity in Inclusion Villages**

			Table 9: In	clusion and	d Conform	ity			
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
					DevNori	m			
Quantile	Q10	Q20	Q30	Q40	Q50	Q60	Q70	Q80	Q90
Public Bid	4.312	5.594	-5.805	-4.814	-5.246	2.419	5.421	7.542	12.49
	(14.62)	(8.229)	(6.859)	(4.591)	(4.110)	(5.279)	(7.200)	(7.640)	(8.233)
Inclusion	23.21	14.22**	7.314	6.364	3.424	14.99***	14.36***	12.54	10.93
	(14.39)	(5.758)	(6.348)	(4.185)	(5.319)	(5.316)	(4.909)	(7.923)	(8.360)
Public*Inclusion	-14.57	-13.92	-2.764	-4.647	-3.907	-17.77***	-13.79	-12.31	-13.77
	(17.99)	(10.42)	(8.999)	(5.372)	(5.393)	(6.621)	(8.425)	(10.95)	(9.748)
N					1456				
MeanDepVar (Pvt)	-63.53	-30.23	-0.811	12.93	26.35	30.25	43.65	64.49	89.88

Bids are significantly higher in Inclusion village and the tendency to reduce bids in public is confined to those far away from the norm.

## **Image Results: Conformity and Women**

Table 10_2	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
	Prob(MWTP>BidNorm)		Prob(MWTP=	BidNorm)
	Inclusion	Non Inclusion	Inclusion	Non Inclusion
Public	-0.0729**	-0.0462	0.0285	0.0371
	(0.0346)	(0.0364)	(0.0238)	(0.0242)
_cons	0.618***	0.483***	0.0572	0.152***
_	(0.0821)	(0.0805)	(0.0581)	(0.0529)
N	760	696	760	696

- Inclusion villages also demonstrate a tendency to reduce bids in public
- However this trend does not coincide with an increase in bids at the norm, since we can see from
  the earlier specification that it is occurring among bidders who are further away from the norm
  and hence their reversion does not bring them to the norm but merely closer to it

# **Image Results-Summary**

#### Image (peer actions)

- People generally tend to conform to how they think others will behave when their actions are public.
  - For a person whose individual optimum lies below their expectation of the group average, conformity and status seeking coincide to drive their demand up towards the group average.
  - For a person whose individual optimum lies above the group average, conformity pressures will lower their willingness to pay while status seeking will operate to increase it.
- Both men and women generally believe that others have low demand-this poses a challenge for the adoption of chlorine
- Women generally bid higher but show greater conformity than men

#### **BUT**

- Externality priming dampens this effect
- Both men and women in inclusion villages have higher bids overall
- Community groups are essential for:
  - Improving beliefs regarding the behavior of others by allowing individuals to see each other's behavior and establish correct beliefs
  - Self-selection of public bidders yields highest bidding in public and therefore most positive beliefs regarding value of the product

## **Leadership Summary Statistics**

Table 2Randomized SampleSelf Selection Sample

	Leader	Follower	Leader	Follower
Mean bid (Max WTP)	110.7	107.06	111.15	106.69
Median bid (Max WTP)	100	100	100	100
Natural Leader Mean bid	119.23	110.98	134.93	109.25
Natural Leader Median bid	120	100	140	100

#### **Leadership Results: Leadership in the Randomized Sample**

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•	Randomization into a
	first-mover position does
	not elicit 'leadership'
	effects, with an
	insignificant difference
	between bids of first
	movers and second
	movers

 Natural leaders in the randomized sample behave no differently from the average bidder. Hence, their bids are insignificantly different from the average randomized leader when they are randomized into leadership or randomized into following

Table 3	(1)	(2)	(3)
	Max	Willingness	s to Pay
Randomized Leader	3.301		3.763
	(2.376)		(2.601)
Natural Leader		4.372	5.990
		(3.917)	(5.440)
Natural Randomized Leader			-3.143
			(9.011)
_cons	107.2***	108.3***	106.4***
_	(2.627)	(2.392)	(2.815)
N	1493	1493	1493

**Standard errors in parentheses** 

<sup>\*</sup> p<0.10 \*\* p<0.05 \*\*\* p<0.01

#### **Leadership Results: Leadership in the Self Selection Sample**

- The average bidder that selfselects into a first-mover position demonstrates no significant leadership effects, and has an insignificantly different bid from the average second-mover
- Natural leaders in the selfselection arm have a significantly higher bid relative to the average bidder
- This effect is driven mainly by natural leaders who self-select into a first-mover position and bid significantly higher than the average bidder

Table 4	(1)	(2)	(3)
	Max	Willingness	s to Pay
Self Select Leader (S)	2.483		0.458
	(2.874)		(2.989)
Natural Leader (N)		11.80***	4.352
		(4.194)	(5.683)
Natural Self Select Leader (NS)			15.49*
			(8.657)
_cons	107.5***	107.2***	107.0***
	(2.384)	(2.069)	(2.448)
N	1413	1413	1413
P value on F test of (S+N+NS)			0.0024

#### Leadership Results: Leadership and Women

- Parsing the effect of first movers in the self-selection sample, where leadership effects were discovered, we find that this effect is driven by female natural leaders
- Hence, women natural leaders who self-selected into first mover positions are likely to demonstrate a large leadership effect relative to women natural leaders who did not self select into leadership (first mover) and average female bidders
- Male natural leaders on the other hand have an insignificant difference in bids when they are first movers relative to average male bidders and natural male leaders who are second movers

Table 7	(1)	(2)		
	Max Willingness to			
		Pay		
	Females	Males		
Self Select Leader (S)	-2.151	2.832		
· ·	(3.580)	(5.087)		
Natural Leader (N)	-4.053	8.663		
	(7.796)	(8.838)		
Natural Self Select Leader (NS)	28.14**	7.994		
	(12.01)	(12.53)		
_cons	104.4***	110.9***		
	(3.201)	(3.746)		
N	792	621		
Coefficient (S+N+NS)	21.936	19.489		
P value on F test (S+N+NS)	0.017	0.0598		
P value on F test (S+N+NS)	0.017	0.0598		

#### **Leadership Results: Randomized Leadership and Inclusion**

•	In inclusion villages, natural
	leaders who are randomized
	into first mover positions are
	also more likely to bid higher
	relative to second movers
	and natural leaders who are
	not randomized into first
	movers

 In contrast, natural leaders in non inclusion villages who are not first movers bid (insignificantly) higher but there is no first mover effect among natural randomized leaders

Table 9	(1)	(2)
	Max Wil	lingness to Pay
	Inclusion	Non Inclusion
Randomized Leader (R )	0.855	4.304
	(3.637)	(3.598)
Natural Leader (N)	-2.507	12.52
	(7.876)	(8.769)
Natural Randomized Leader (RN)	19.53*	-9.593
	(10.98)	(12.95)
_cons	108.9***	104.6***
	(4.470)	(4.820)

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#### **Leadership Results: Self Selection Leadership and Inclusion**

- Significantly, the result of natural self select leaders displaying first mover leadership effects is also primarily driven by inclusion villages
- In contrast, natural leaders in non inclusion villages who self select into leadership, while having significantly higher bids than second movers overall, have a smaller overall leadership effect as evidenced by the joint coefficient (S+N+NS), which is also weakly significant and estimated with lower precision

Table 10	(1)	(2)
	Inclusion	Non Inclusion
	Max Will	ingness to Pay
Self Select Leader (S)	-1.794	2.076
	(4.421)	(4.778)
Natural Leader (N)	8.391	-3.332
	(7.562)	(10.29)
Natural Self Select Leader (NS)	23.70**	20.50
	(11.11)	(15.67)
_cons	108.7***	105.1***
	(4.217)	(4.864)
N	734	679
Coefficient (S+N+NS)	30.297	19.244
P value on F test of (S+N+NS)	0.000	0.0942

#### **Leadership Results: Externalities and Randomized Sample**

- Externalities messaging increases the overall level of bids (mean dependent variable)
- Externalities messaging also triggers a leadership effect amongst first movers, with randomized leaders bidding significantly higher than followers
- This increase in bids is similarly reflected in natural leaders who are randomized into leadership
- In the absence of externalities messaging, only natural leaders appear to bid more when randomized into first mover position but this effect is imprecisely estimated

Table 5	(1)	(2)
	Max Wil	lingness to Pay
	Externalities	No Externalities
Randomized Leader (R )	8.893**	-3.214
	(3.668)	(3.414)
Natural Leader (N)	11.29	0.536
	(9.323)	(7.363)
Natural Randomized Leader (NR)	-6.826	10.82
	(13.12)	(12.35)
_cons	108.6***	104.1***
	(4.037)	(4.926)
N	793	700
Mean Dep Var	113.9	103.3
Coefficient (R+N+NR)	13.36	8.142
P value on F test of (R+N+NR)	0.0875	0.3795
P value on F test of (N+NR)	0.5718	0.2481

#### **Leadership Results: Externalities and Self Selection Sample**

- Externalities similarly raise the overall level of bids in the selfselection sample (mean dependent variable)
- However, the first mover effect in the self-selection sample with externalities is dampened, possibly due to the overall increase in bid levels, and natural leaders who self-select into first mover positions are no different in their bids relative to second movers overall (F test on S+N+NS)
- On the other hand, the first mover effect in no externality villages is extremely large and highly significant

Table 6	(1)	(2)
	Max Willingness to Pay	
	Externalities	No Externalities
Self Select Leader (S)	-3.464	6.557
	(4.332)	(4.474)
Natural Leader (N)	-6.862	16.14*
	(7.736)	(9.027)
Natural Solf Soloet Loador (NS)	21.97*	20.15*
Natural Self Select Leader (NS)	(12.86)	(11.93)
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_cons	115.8***	95.80***
	(4.169)	(3.826)
N	759	654
Mean Dep Var	114.9	101.1
Coefficient (S+N+NS)	11.644	42.847
P value on F test of (S+N+NS)	0.1972	0.000

# Leadership Results

- When self-selection into leadership is allowed, VSO members who choose to self-select bid significantly more than the rest of the sample
- This effect is driven largely by women natural leaders who selfselected into first mover positions
- In inclusion villages, the bids of both men and women leaders, whether assigned to leadership or self selecting into leadership are significantly higher.
- Externalities messaging increases the overall level of bids
- Externalities messaging also triggers a leadership effect amongst first movers, particularly among leaders randomized into leadership.
- Interestingly, when leaders can self-select into leadership,
   natural leaders bid higher regardless of externality messaging.

#### **Understanding of Subsidy Mechanism**

 Using survey questions involving hypothetical price draws, we assess level of understanding of the subsidy mechanism prior to the actual bidding round

Table 1	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
		Correct Res	sponse to Su	bsidy Questi	ons
Self Selection Subsidy	-0.0191				
	(0.0140)				
Inclusion Village		-0.0319			
		(0.0310)			
<b>Externalities Treatment</b>			-0.0362		
			(0.0303)		
Female				0.00361	
				(0.0291)	
Poverty Score					0.000845
					(0.000770)
_cons	0.814***	0.824***	0.824***	0.806***	0.781***
	(0.0161)	(0.0168)	(0.0205)	(0.0229)	(0.0262)
N	2751	2751	2751	2751	2576

**Standard errors in parentheses** 

<sup>\*</sup> p<0.10 \*\* p<0.05 \*\*\* p<0.01

## **Summary Statistics**

Table 2	Rand	omized :	Sharing	Self Se	election	Sharing
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
<b>Sharing Positive Subsidy Amount</b>	73.31	72.62	73.89	47.11	47.41	46.87
Mean Subsidy Shared (conditional)	16.06	16.51	15.7	16.54	16.48	16.59
Median Subsidy Shared (conditional)	20	20	20	20	20	20
Mean Max Willingness to Pay (Self Report)	77.52	84.2	71.99	78.5	85.44	72.82
Accept TIOLI offer	82.06	84.35	80.16	80.67	85.19	76.97

## **Subsidy Results: Self Selection Reduces Sharing**

- The ability to select out of a sharing environment lowers the probability of sharing, among both men and women
- This result is consistent
   with results found in lab
   experiments using
   dictator games (Lazear,
   Malmendier and Weber,
   2012), but ours is the first
   framed field experiment
   to show this result

Table 3	(1)	(2)
	Probabi	lity of Sharing
Self Selection Subsidy	-0.263***	
	(0.0270)	
Self Selection Subsidy		-0.257***
		(0.0384)
Female		-0.0327
		(0.0430)
Self Selection Subsidy * Female		-0.0113
		(0.0502)
_cons	0.733***	0.751***
	(0.0240)	(0.0325)
N	1790	1790

## **Subsidy Results: Externalities and Sharing**

- The overall effect of externalities messaging is insignificant, but this masks important differences by gender
- Externalities messaging improves the propensity to share among men who are randomized into shared subsidies. However, this effect does not persist among the sub sample that is allowed to opt out of sharing environments
- Among women externalities reduce the propensity to share when women are randomized into sharing, with this effect dampening among women who self-select into sharing. The overall effect of self-selection remains negative

Table 4	(1)	(2)
	Probabil	ity of Sharing
Self Selection Subsidy (SS)	-0.261***	-0.206***
	(0.0358)	(0.0562)
Externalities (E)	-0.0163	0.112*
	(0.0475)	(0.0641)
Self Selection*Externalities (SSE)	-0.00579	-0.0984
	(0.0535)	(0.0758)
Female (F)		0.0787
		(0.0530)
Self Selection Subsidy*Female (SSF)		-0.0907
		(0.0684)
Externalities*Female (EF)		-0.244***
		(0.0872)
Self Selection*Externalities*Female (SSEF)		0.165
		(0.101)
_cons	0.740***	0.693***
	(0.0313)	(0.0458)
N	1790	1790

#### **Check on women beliefs**

One potential channel that explains the negative response to externalities messaging among women is expectations regarding average willingness to pay Women have a much lower overall expectation regarding the average willingness to pay for the product among their fellow CO members

## **Subsidy Results: Inclusion and Sharing**

- Among women, non-inclusion villages appear to drive the trend towards lower sharing when randomized into sharing and exposed to externalities treatment. This effect is nullified in inclusion villages, where externalities treatment does not reduce sharing.
- Men are similarly inclined to share more in inclusion villages when randomized into sharing and exposed to externalities treatment
- Self Selection still drives people out of sharing but this appears to be dampened in inclusion villages that are given externalities treatment

Table 6	(1)	(2)	
	Prob o	<b>Prob of Sharing</b>	
	Females	Males	
Self Selection Subsidy (SS)	-0.294***	-0.183**	
	(0.0644)	(0.0712)	
Externalities (E)	-0.199**	0.0777	
	(0.0977)	(0.0898)	
Self Selection*Externalities (SSE)	-0.00595	-0.137	
	(0.117)	(0.0980)	
Inclusion Village (I)	0.0412	0.0205	
	(0.0731)	(0.0943)	
Self Selection*Inclusion Village (SSI)	-0.00310	-0.0519	
	(0.0872)	(0.113)	
Externalities*Inclusion Village (EI)	0.101	0.0877	
	(0.127)	(0.126)	
Self Selection*Externalities*Inclusion (SSEI)	0.118	0.0985	
	(0.149)	(0.156)	
_cons	0.770***	0.661***	
	(0.0577)	(0.0665)	
N	987	803	
Externalities in Inclusion Village (E+I+EI)	-0.0568	0.1859	
P Value on F Test of (E+I+EI)	0.5316	0.0248	

#### **Subsidy Results: CO type**

While all female CO have lower expectations overall, the difference in expectations by externalities treatment is greater in Mixed CO women

Net coef of all female w/out ext = -13.62 Net coef of all female w/ ext = -12.534 Net coef of mixed w/out ext = 9.009 Net coef of mixed w/ext = -15.595

	E	Expected WTP		
Female	-7.510**			
All Female CO	(3.151)	-6.443	-13.62**	
Externalities All Female CO		(4.290) -2.724	-	
		(4.478)	(5.413)	
All Female CO* Externalities		-3.529 (6.521)	6.273 (8.407)	
Mixed CO			-6.771 (5.384)	
Female*Mixed CO			15.78*	
Externalities * Mixed CO			(8.185) 9.350	
Female * Externalities * Mixed CO			(8.913) -21.42*	
			(12.40)	
_cons		85.56*** (3.313)		
N	1436	1436	1436	

(1)

(2)

(3)

## **Subsidy Results:**

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
		Prob of Sharing		
	Females	Females in Inclusion	Males	Males in Inclusion
Externalities (Single Gender CO)	-0.259***	-0.249**	0.116	0.294***
	(0.0959)	(0.120)	(0.0724)	(0.0999)
Self Selection (Single Gender CO)	-0.301***	-0.314***	-0.237***	-0.197*
	(0.0728)	(0.0866)	(0.0686)	(0.105)
Externalities *SelfSelection (Single Gender CO)	0.104	0.217	-0.124	-0.150
	(0.119)	(0.149)	(0.0860)	(0.144)
Mixed CO	-0.0503	-0.0664	-0.0352	0.161
	(0.0637)	(0.0918)	(0.0983)	(0.144)
Externalities *Mixed CO	0.221*	0.292*	-0.0503	-0.417**
	(0.123)	(0.156)	(0.150)	(0.202)
Self Selection *Mixed CO	0.00332	0.0262	0.104	-0.137
	(0.0900)	(0.113)	(0.117)	(0.174)
Externalities* Self Selection *Mixed CO	-0.0675	-0.182	0.169	0.464**
	(0.149)	(0.183)	(0.145)	(0.231)
_cons	0.823***	0.829***	0.680***	0.621***
	(0.0433)	(0.0458)	(0.0531)	(0.0694)
N	987	574	803	334

Well they do have poor beliefs overall, they are just not activated by externalities

# **Subsidy Results**

- Belonging to an inclusion village increases the probability of individuals choosing to share their subsidies.
- Inclusion villages are also more likely to share non-zero amounts when randomized into sharing (therefore the overall amount shared is higher)
- People who share positive amounts of the subsidy are more likely to purchase the product than people with individual subsidies, even though the size of their subsidy is smaller because of sharing.
- When people are allowed to self-select into sharing, 50% of the sample self-selects into sharing, everyone shares a positive amount and people are more likely to actually purchase the product.
  - This effect is driven by women, and is stronger in inclusion relative to noninclusion villages

# **APPENDIX**

# Impact of Inclusion-Endline

- Community Organization (Affinity Group) members are more likely to be women and to be poor, leading to a higher number of female only COs and higher overall levels of participation.
- A higher proportion of households are organized 63% in Inclusion villages vs. 57% in Non Inclusion villages.
- Village Body (VSO) members more likely to be female (53% versus 30%) and poor (54% versus 44%).
- Politically connected and traditionally influential individuals MUCH less likely to be presidents in inclusion villages (almost 5 fold difference 4% versus 19%).
- Inclusion villages also have more women in leadership positions in VSOs, (23% versus 13%) and more poor men (28% versus 9%).

## Impact of Inclusion-Endline

- 2013 national elections
  - Female Voter Turnout was much higher in Inclusion Villages
    - 57% in inclusion villages vs. 43% in control villages for females (sig at 1%)
    - 70% in inclusion villages vs. 66% in control villages for males (not sig)
- 2016 local government elections
  - Higher political competition in Treatment villages (2 candidates versus .5 candidates, on average)
    - Candidates from Treatment villages more likely to come from households that have participated in community development activities in their village in the past.
    - Less likely to be from households where a member has been part of the civil bureaucracy or held past political office