



ALGA

Women-led actions for food security and stronger resilience to new emerging risks in the context of climate change and Covid-19 crisis in rural areas of Kyrgyzstan.



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Project summary

Alga is an NGO founded by rural women in the Jerkazar village of the Chui region in Kyrgyzstan. Covid-19 deepened the vulnerabilities that rural women faced. The purpose of this project was to **create new activities** for rural women from poor families, ethnic minorities as well as young and migrant women in the Chui, Issyk-Kul and Osh regions. Furthermore, the project's aim was to share **rural women's stories** on the frontlines of **food security** and resilience to **climate change**.

Nurzida

Interviewee

“Now I understand that we were not prepared for this crisis. Not only people were not prepared but also our government, both at the central level and here locally. With the unstable situation in the country, our government doesn't care about ordinary people. We really need to learn how to survive and sustain.”

Achievements



The organisation did research on the situation of **rural women** in the context of **climate change**, environmental degradation, post covid pandemic recovery. Based on this research, information campaigns and training programmes were developed.



Trainings were given on how to cope with new emerging risks of climate change, to strengthen **resilience**, to ensure food security and **sustainable livelihoods**.



Trainings were organised that provided an introduction of the methodology for **feminist monitoring** of impact of climate change at the community level.



Awareness raising **meetings** with women in rural communities. Alga took part in the regional campaign dedicated to rural women.



The organisation collected **women's stories** on dealing with problems and their level of engagement in **local decision making** and movement development.



Alga participated in national, regional and international **webinars** and **consultations** in online format.