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6. PRODUCTIVE LAND

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Women's Empowerment & Gender Equity Snap Shot Assessment

3. Who has secure tenure (throughout their lifespan—in the event of death of a spouse, illness, marriage, separation etc)?

- Young Women
- Elder Women
- Young Men
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- Traditional Leaders
- Government Officials
- Commercial Actors
- Others: please specify

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