Gender and Credit Market Participation and Access Among Households in Coastal Barangays in Guimaras, Philippines

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- 1/4 of families in the country are poor
- Many poor are found in coastal areas 2/3 of local government units in the country are coastal
- Fishers among the poor and vulnerable sectors

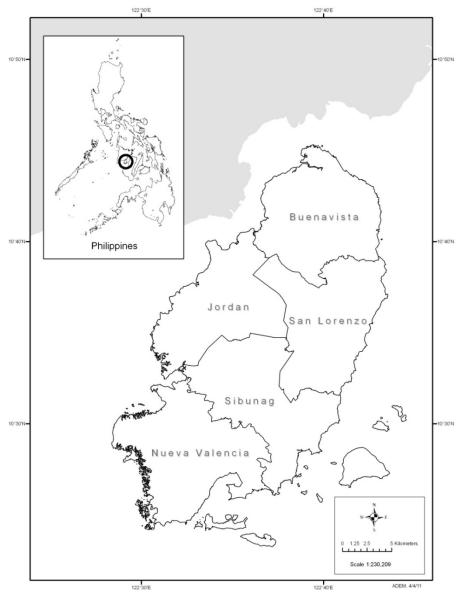
- Credit continue to play a role in reducing poverty despite failure of past microcredit programs
- But more efficient credit programs are needed
- In the design of more successful credit programs and initiatives to help the poor, there is a need for a clear understanding of their need for credit, participation and access to credit market, and utilization of credit

 The study aimed to increase understanding of the views on credit and the participation and access to credit market among fishing and non-fishing households in the coastal barangays in Guimaras.

Participation in the credit market happens when the household has a need for a credit and took steps in availing credit. The steps may be completed or not.

Lack of access to credit is when the amount the person can borrow is zero. A person has access to credit when a positive amount can be borrowed. Credit access improves when the amount a person can borrow increases.

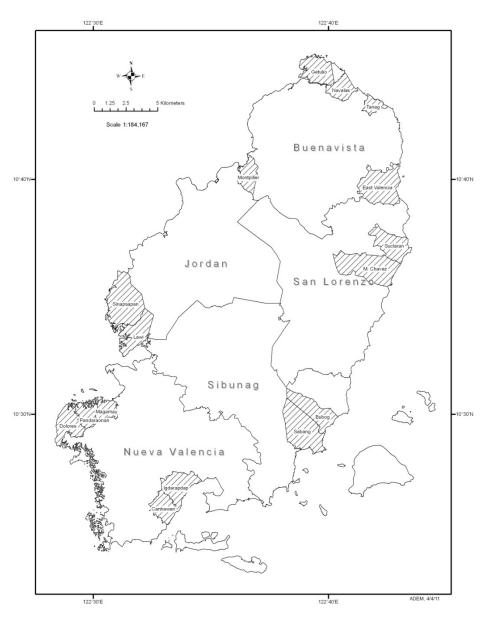
### Methodology



Locale : Island Province of Guimaras

54 of 98 barangays are coastal

48% of persons with sources of income are into fishing and farming.



province
municipalities
Barangays
participants in the survey

376 was proportionately allocated to

- 16 barangays (30% of 54 coastal barangays) in 5 municipalities
- within each barangay, the fishing and non-fishing households were represented.
- Used interview schedule that was pilot tested

#### • Profile

Types of Households		No.	%	6
and sex				
Fishing	235		62.50	
Male		95		40.43
Female		140		59.57
Non-fishing	141		37.50	
Male		54		38.30
Female		87		61.70
Total	376		100.00	
Male		149		38.15
Female		227		61.85

#### • Profile

		Fishing		Nc	on-Fishi	ing	All		
	Male	Female	All	Male	Femal	All	Male	Femal	All
	n=95	n=140	N <sub>f</sub> =235	n=54	е	N <sub>nf</sub> =23	n=149	е	N <sub>A</sub> =376
					n=87	5		n=227	
<b>Age</b> (mean)	47.95	43.24	45.14	52.61	47.17	49.26	49.64	44.75	46.69
Education									
At most	49	51	100	20	25	45	69	76	145
elementary	51.60	36.43	42.56	37.03	28.74	31.91	46.31	33.48	38.56
graduate									
High	36	64	100	22	33	55	58	97	155
school/graduate	37.90	45.71	42.56	40.74	37.93	39.00	38.93	42.73	41.22
At least college	10	25	35	12	29	41	39	37	76
level	10.50	17.85	14.89	22.22	33.34	29.08	26.17	16.30	20.21
Catholic	76	98	174	39	72	111	115	170	285
	80.00	70.00	74.04	72.22	82.76	78.72	77.18	74.89	75.80

#### • Profile

Indicators		Fishing		/	Non-Fishin	g		All	
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=95	n=140	N <sub>f</sub> =235	n=54	n=87	N <sub>nf</sub> =235	n=149	n=227	N <sub>A</sub> =376
Household size	4.26	5.09	4.75	4.20	4.18	4.19	4.28	4.76	4.54
(mean)									
Owns lot where	52	71	123	29	37	66	81	108	189
house is standing	54.74	50.71	52.34	53.70	42.53	46.81	54.36	47.58	50.27
House wall made of	59	96	155	30	45	74	89	140	229
to predominantly	62.11	68.57	65.96	55.56	51.72	52.48	59.73	61.67	60.90
light materials									
Have electricity at	61	100	161	35	71	106	96	171	267
home	64.21	71.43	68.51	64.81	81.61	75.18	64.43	75.33	71.01
Electric bill P, mean	367.41	311.27	332.50	749.12	445.74	544.92	506.96	367.63	417.47
Drink water from	19	31	50	12	25	37	31	56	87
owned sources	20.00	22.14	21.23	22.22	28.74	15.74	20.81	24.67	23.71
Use mainly owned	61	97	158	37	67	104	98	164	262
flushed toilet	64.21	69.29	67.23	68.52	77.01	73.76	65.77	72.25	69.68

#### • Views

		Fishing		N	on-Fishi	ng		All	
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=95	n=140	N <sub>f</sub> =235	n=54	n=87	N <sub>nf</sub> =235	n=149	n=227	N <sub>A</sub> =376
Borrowed amounts	68	110	178	39	66	105	107	176	283
should be paid	71.58	78.57	75.74	72.22	75.86	74.47	71.81	77.53	75.27
Credit is big help to	65	97	162	39	50	89	104	147	251
the poor	68.42	69.29	68.94	72.22	57.47	63.12	69.80	64.76	66.76
Credit can be	52	88	140	25	54	79	77	142	219
dangerous/ a	54.74	62.86	59.57	46.30	62.07	56.03	51.68	62.56	58.24
problem									
Credit is needed	59	83	142	33	41	74	92	124	216
	62.11	59.29	60.43	61.11	47.13	52.48	61.74	54.63	57.45
Borrowed money	46	73	119	22	50	72	68	123	191
should be managed	48.42	52.14	50.64	40.74	57.47	51.06	45.64	54.19	50.80
well									
Borrowed money is	36	80	116	21	47	68	57	127	184
difficult to pay	37.8	57.14	49.36	38.89	54.02	48.23	38.26	55.95	48.94
Borrow only when	30	65	95	21	25	46	51	90	141
needed	31.58	46.43	40.43	38.89	28.74	32.62	34.23	39.65	37.50

#### • Views

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Credit can help	77	120	197	39	63	102	116	183	299
	81.05	85.71	83.83	72.22	72.41	72.34	77.85	77.22	79.52
Ways credit can help									
Can help in	56	92	148	31	45	76	87	137	224
putting food on	58.95	65.71	62.98	57.41	51.72	53.90	58.39	60.35	59.57
the table									
Can send	54	93	147	29	41	70	83	134	217
children to	56.84	66.43	62.55	53.70	47.13	49.65	55.70	59.03	57.71
school									
Can help in the	57	84	141	22	43	65	79	127	206
business	60.00	60.00	60.00	40.74	49.43	46.10	53.02	55.95	54.79
Can help during	42	76	118	23	34	57	65	110	175
sickness	44.21	54.29	50.21	42.59	39.08	40.43	43.62	48.49	46.54
Can help in	23	41	64	12	23	35	35	64	99
buying farm	24.21	29.29	27.23	22.22	26.44	24.82	23.49	28.19	26.33
inputs									

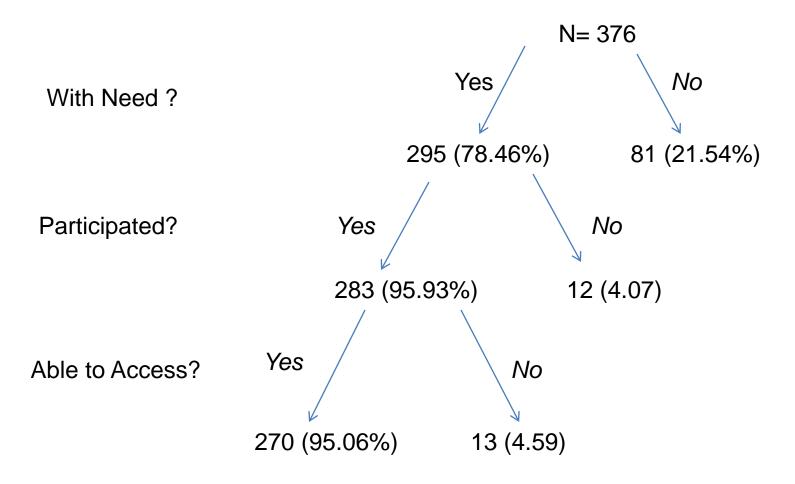
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	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female		
	n=95	n=140	N <sub>f</sub> =235	n=54	n=87	N <sub>nf</sub> =235	n=149	n=227	N <sub>A</sub> =376	
Local	59	86	145	30	53	83	89	139	228	
government	62.11	61.43	61.70	55.56	60.92	58.87	59.73	61.23	60.64	
Private sector	35	64	99	22	28	50	57	92	149	
	36.84	45.71	42.13	40.74	32.18	35.46	38.26	40.53	39.63	
National	23	47	70	10	22	32	33	69	102	
government	24.21	33.57	29.79	18.52	25.29	22.70	22.10	30.40	27.13	
NGO	17	36	53	7	27	34	24	63	87	
	17.89	25.71	22.55	12.96	31.03	24.11	16.12	27.75	23.14	

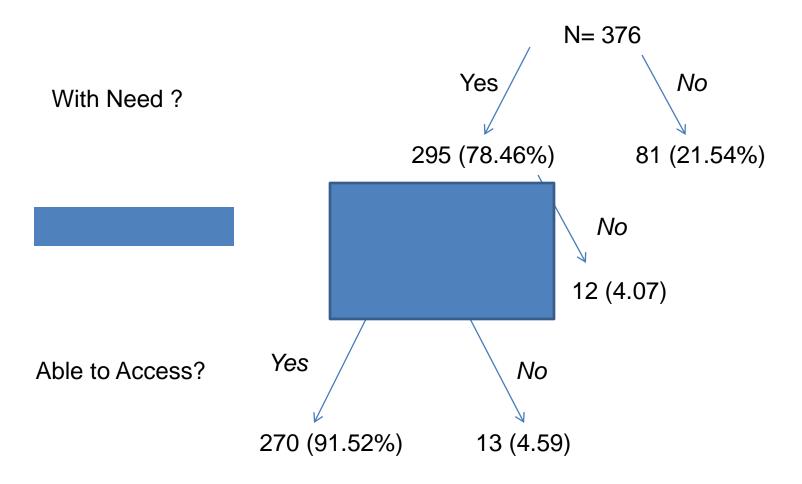
#### Need for Credit

		Fishing		No	on-Fishi	ng	All		
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=95	n=140	N <sub>f</sub> =235	n=54	n=87	N <sub>nf</sub> =235	n=149	n=227	N <sub>A</sub> =376
Number of	5.55	5.93	5.52	4.81	5.05	4.95	5.26	5.36	5.32
times experienced the need for credit during the last 12 months prior to interview (mean)									

Need, Participation and Access



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	Male	Female	All N <sub>f</sub> =235	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=95	n=140		n=54	n=87	N <sub>nf</sub> =235	n=149	n=227	N <sub>A</sub> =376
Needed to	66	126	192	43	60	103	109	186	295
borrow*	69.47	90.00	81.70	79.62	68.97	73.05	73.15	81.94	78.46
Applied for	62	122	184	41	58	99	103	180	283
credit *	93.94	96.43	95.83	95.35	96.97	96.70	94.49	96.77	95.93
Able to	61	115	176	38	56	95	99	172	270
borrow**	98.38	94.26	95.65	92.68	96.55	95.96	96.11	95.56	95.41
	92.42	91.26	91.67	88.37	93.33	92.23	90.82	92.47	91.53

\*Unless indicated, the first figure is frequency and the second figure is %

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#### • Need, Participation and Access

Amount		Fishing		N	on-Fishin	g	All			
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female		
	n=95	n=140	N <sub>f</sub> =235	n=54	n=87	N <sub>nf</sub> =235	n=149	n=227	N <sub>A</sub> =376	
needed	5,965	7,701	7,104	10,215	9,049	9,536	7,642	8,136	7,953	
Applied for	5,133	6,699	6,171	7,860	8,630	8,311	6,218	7,321	6, 920	
Able to borrow	4,280	6,104	5,472	8,382	6,633	8,263	5,854	6,793	6,122	

\*based on last loan availed in the last 6 months prior to interview

### Decision-making

#### Who Decided to Apply?

Amount		Fishing		N	on-Fishin	g	All			
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female		
	n=65	n=125	N <sub>f</sub> =190	n=41	n=59	N <sub>nf</sub> =100	n=106	n=184	N <sub>A</sub> =290	
Husband	19	14	33	17	5	22	36	19	55	
	33.92	11.2	17.36	41.46	8.47	22.00	33.96	10.33	18.97	
Husband	36	70	106	22	26	48	58	96	154	
and wife	55.38	56.00	55.79	53.67	44.07	48.00	54.72	52.17	53.19	
Wife	5	30	35	1	18	19	6	48	54	
	7.69	24.00	18.42	2.44	30.51	19.00	5.66	26.09	18.62	
Others	5	11	16	1	10	11	6	21	27	
	7.69	8.8	8.42	2.44	16.95	11.00	5.66	11.41	9.31	

### Decision-making

#### Who applied?

Amount		Fishing		Ν	on-Fishin	g		All	
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=65	n=125	N <sub>f</sub> =190	n=41	n=59	N <sub>nf</sub> =100	n=106	n=184	N <sub>A</sub> =290
Husband	36	20	56	29	10	39	65	30	95
	55.39	16.00	29.47	70.73	16.95	39.00	61.32	16.30	32.76
Husband	3	7	10	1	0	1	4	7	11
and wife	4.60	5.60	5.26	2.43	0.00	1.00	3.77	3.80	3.79
Wife	20	84	104	10	39	49	30	123	153
	30.77	67.2	54.74	24.39	66.10	49.00	28.30	66.85	52.76
Others	6	14	20	1	10	11	7	24	31
	9.23	11.20	10.53	2.43	16.95	11.00	6.67	13.04	10.69

### Decision-making

Decided on the use of borrowed money

Amount		Fishing		Λ	Ion-Fishin	g	All			
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female		
	n=65	n=125	N <sub>f</sub> =190	n=41	n=59	N <sub>nf</sub> =100	n=106	n=184	N <sub>A</sub> =290	
Husband	14	11	25	16	1	17	30	12	42	
	21.54	8.80	13.16	39.02	1.69	17.00	28.30	6.52	14.48	
Husband	42	72	114	21	33	54	63	105	168	
and wife	64.62	57.60	60.00	51.22	55.93	54.00	59.43	57.07	57.93	
Wife	4	31	35	3	15	18	7	46	53	
	6.15	24.80	18.42	7.31	25.42	18.00	3.80	25.00	18.30	
Others	5	11	16	1	10	11	6	21	27	
	7.69	8.80	8.42	2.43	16.95	11.00	5.67	11.41	9.31	

### Decision-making

#### In-charge of paying the loan

Amount	Fishing			Non-Fishing			All		
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=65	n=125	N <sub>f</sub> =190	n=41	n=59	N <sub>nf</sub> =100	n=106	n=184	N <sub>A</sub> =290
Husband	35	38	73	29	17	46	64	55	119
	53.85	30.40	38.42	70.73	28.81	46.00	60.38	29.89	41.03
Husband	19	41	60	4	15	19	23	56	79
and wife	29.23	32.80	31.38	9.76	25.42	19.00	21.70	30.43	27.24
Wife	6	34	40	7	16	23	13	50	63
	9.23	27.20	21.05	17.03	27.12	23.00	12.26	27.17	21.72
Others	5	12	17	1	11	17	6	23	29
	7.69	9.60	8.94	2.43	18.64	17.00	5.66	12.50	10.00

#### • Credit source

Amount	Fishing			Non-Fishing			All			
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female		
	n=66	n=126	N <sub>f</sub> =192	n=43	n=60	N <sub>nf</sub> =103	n=109	n=186	N <sub>A</sub> =295	
Relatives/ne	47	84	131	29	34	63	76	118	194	
ighbors/frie	71.21	66.67	68.23	67.44	56.67	61.17	69.72	63.44	65.76	
nds										
Private	11	24	35	9	11	20	20	35	55	
microfinance institutions	16.67	19.04	18.23	20.93	18.33	19.42	18.35	18.82	18.64	
Government										
credit	3	9	12	3	8	11	6	17	23	
facilities	4.55	7.14	6.25	6.98	13.33	10.68	5.50	9.14	7.80	
Others	5	9	14	2	7	9	7	16	23	
	7.58	7.14	7.30	4.65	11.67	8.73	6.42	8.60	7.80	

#### • Uses of credit

Amount	Fishing			Non-Fishing			All		
	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	All	Male	Female	
	n=66	n=126	N <sub>f</sub> =192	n=43	n=60	N <sub>nf</sub> =103	n=109	n=186	N <sub>A</sub> =295
Buy food	31	57	88	20	23	43	51	80	131
	52.46	49.76	50.42	51.16	42.17	45.92	51.47	47.31	48.85
Additional	27	43	70	11	19	30	38	62	100
working	46.69	37.54	40.10	28.14	34.83	32.04	38.35	36.67	37.29
capital									
Education	13	35	48	5	11	16	18	46	64
	22.00	30.56	27.50	12.79	20.17	19.09	18.17	27.20	23.86
Medical	9	31	40	11	13	24	20	44	64
expenses	15.23	27.06	22.92	28.14	23.83	25.68	20.18	26.02	23.6
Start up	5	3	8	2	1	3	7	4	11
capital	8.46	2.62	4.58	5.12	1.83	3.20	7.06	2.37	4.10

- The households were poor.
- Held different views on credit
- LGUs seen as main source of credit
- High need for credit, particularly among fishing households represented by female study participants

- Not all with credit need participated in the credit market but participation rate was high
- Not all who participated in the credit market were successful to avail of a loan but, in general, access to credit was also high.
- Based on the amount of last loan availed, credit access was highest among males from non-fishing households while the lowest credit access was among males from fishing households.

- Credit application and use was mainly a husband and wife decision.
- Actual credit application was delegated to the wife, while the responsibility of paying the loan rested on the husband or to both the husband and wife. These were all particularly true among fishing households.

- Although access to credit was high, the popular credit sources are informal sources such as friends and relatives that lives nearby.
- Borrowed funds were not mainly used for income generating activities or to increase production but for consumption purposes.
- For these, the participation and access to credit market by the study participants has limited chances in improving their productivity and living standards.

### Recommendation

- The design of credit program should consider the views of the people towards credit
- Government credit facilities closer to the poor and target the fishing households
- Credit provisions accompanied by capacity building program, training for livelihood diversification

• Thank you.