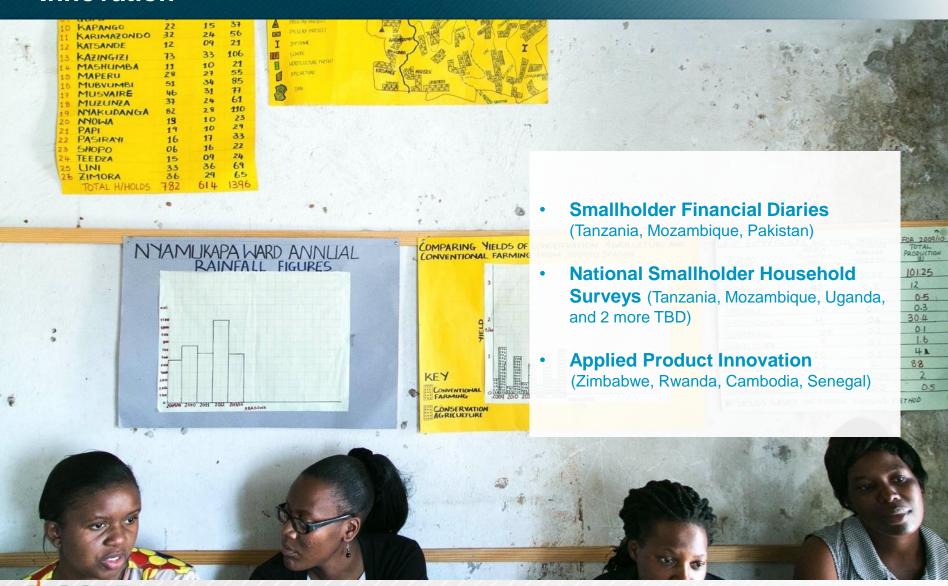


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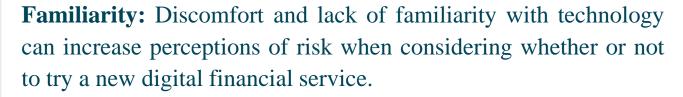


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Minimizing the perceived risk of DFS is key to driving smallholder adoption. 3 fundamental design principles:



Flexibility: Smallholders expressed a desire for features that promote discipline, but told designers that they would be less likely to try a digital savings account that penalized them for accessing their money in a time of emergency.





Tangibility: From jewelry to livestock, many smallholders prefer tangible stores of value. Transitioning smallholder families from a practice of saving in-kind to saving in electronic stores of value will require a "double jump" from in-kind, to cash, to digital.



