1. Title: Understanding the impact of Covid-19 on economic outcomes and well-being of rural communities in Western Uganda

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3. Abstract: We use high-frequency phone surveys to dynamically track the impact of covid-19 over a 3-month period. We already have baseline data on a sample of 1,250 households randomly selected from rural villages in Western Uganda. These baseline surveys were conducted during the start of March 2020, before any restrictions began or cases of covid-19 occurred in Uganda. This baseline data would allow us to compare the impact of the lockdown and the covid-19 outbreak to the baseline situation of these households.

4. Data description: We are conducting phone surveys every two weeks for a period of 12 weeks to follow up with a sample that was surveyed in person just before the lockdown in rural Uganda. We ask questions to capture short term economic shortfalls including consumption, income and use of shock coping mechanisms such as running down savings or selling livestock or assets, health status including mental well-being and impact on intra household dynamics.

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