Types of CFW projects

The table below classifies, under different typologies, the vast array of CFW projects implemented under either emergency or longer-term public workfare programmes.

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| Area of works | Activities |
| Economic infrastructure |
| Road sector | * Rehabilitation/maintenance of rural and urban roads
* Construction and maintenance of feeder roads and trails (e.g. pavement, slurry treatments)
* Road clearance and grass maintenance
* Road markings and erection of road signs
* Rock breaking for roads
* Building/maintenance of pedestrian bridges
* Building/maintenance of culverts, drifts, fences and retaining walls
* Stock routes
* Building bus stops, sidewalk ramps and steps
* Cleaning existing road infrastructure
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| Market place | * Rehabilitation/construction of public market places
* Paving of market yards
* Building storage facilities, access roads and parking lots
* Planting trees for shade
* Installing latrines and waste-disposal pits
* Making higher bases for helipads, market yards and animal/livestock market places
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| Irrigation systems/other productive infrastructure | * Rehabilitation/improvement of small-scale surface irrigation schemes
* Digging and protection of irrigation canals and drains
* Construction of small water retaining structures (e.g. water pans, earth dams, reservoirs) for irrigation, fish harvesting and livestock watering
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| Sanitary infrastructure |
| Drinking water | * Construction and maintenance of:
* community water supply networks
* shallow wells (including hand-operated pumps and accessories)
* small dams
* ponds and other water harvesting structures, dug-outs
* drainage and canals
* Extension of water-distribution schemes
* Stream diversion
* Spring development and protection
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| Storm-water | * Construction and maintenance of:
* gabions and reno mattresses
* grassed or lined water channels
* drainage systems
* infiltration pits
* Installation of pipes and arches
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| Waste water and solid waste | * Construction/rehabilitation/maintenance of :
* sewerage networks
* sewer manholes and manholes covers
* maturation or flocculation ponds
* waste disposal pits
* humid or dry latrines
* Garbage collection in poor urban areas
* Preparation of intermediate and main dumping sites
* Awareness-raising about sanitation through educational programmes
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| Social infrastructure |
|  | * Construction/rehabilitation/maintenance of:
* school classrooms and training facilities
* community clinics, health centres
* social services facilities
* childcare centres
* nursing homes
* community centres and libraries
* recreational facilities (theatres, parks, playing fields)
* public showers, restrooms or latrines
* housing for low-income and vulnerable groups
* Manufacturing of masonry elements and roof trusses on site
* Painting of public buildings and street walls
* Street-sweeping
* Running child care centres
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| Environmental/Agricultural projects |
| Soil and water conservation projects | * Construction of terraces and small weirs to increase infiltration of run off
* Afforestation
* Setting up tree nurseries, community woodlots and fire lines
* Gully protection using dry masonry or gabion structures
* Flood-control structures such as bank-protection dikes, gully dams and bund walls
* Drainage of waterlogged areas
* Renovation of traditional water bodies, including de-silting of tanks
* Reclamation of water bodies (e.g., removal of hyacinth)
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| Land productivity, availability and soil fertility restoration | * Area closures/wood lots
* Multi-layered/storeyed agro-forestry
* Physical conservation measures, e.g., hill side terracing
* Micro-niche development
* Harmful tree removal
* Biological measures
* Debris removal/bush brushing
* Land reclamation of extremely degraded land
* Gully control
* Compost heap/organic manure for cultivated land
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| Fodder availability | * Vegetative fencing and fodder belts
* Conservation measures
* Fodder seed collection
* Paddock systems
* Water-logging control
* Multi-purpose nurseries
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