LITIGATION

Active rural citizens are respected and able to hold leaders accountable and claim rights and natural resources

Public discourse is shifted, as well as the terms of political debate about custom, citizenship and the elite interests underpinning distortions of customary law Struggles and court victories assert and uphold constitutional rights, in the face of laws and practices that undermine them

Rural people assert and claim rights, including indigenous entitlements, and expose government collusion and incapacity that subverts these rights

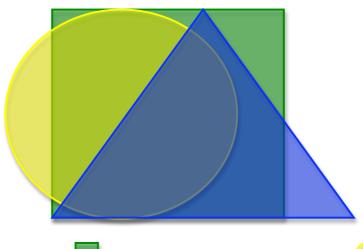
Codified customary law is deconstructed on the basis of practice and 'living law', and patterns of rights abrogation are exposed and analysed (Research) Legal cases challenging laws that undermine the constitutional rights of rural citizens are launched, and incremental victories are secured (Litigation)

Engaged rural networks and groups, working together to challenge unequal power balances and uphold rights, are strengthened and expanded (Mobilisation)



In the process to support rural leaders to engage directly in the legislative and policy arenas and thereby build confidence, capacity and direct representation

The three inter-related activities of research, litigation and mobilisation in which LARC engages in partnership with others are brought into articulation with one another using methodologies that:



MOBILISATION

RESEARCH