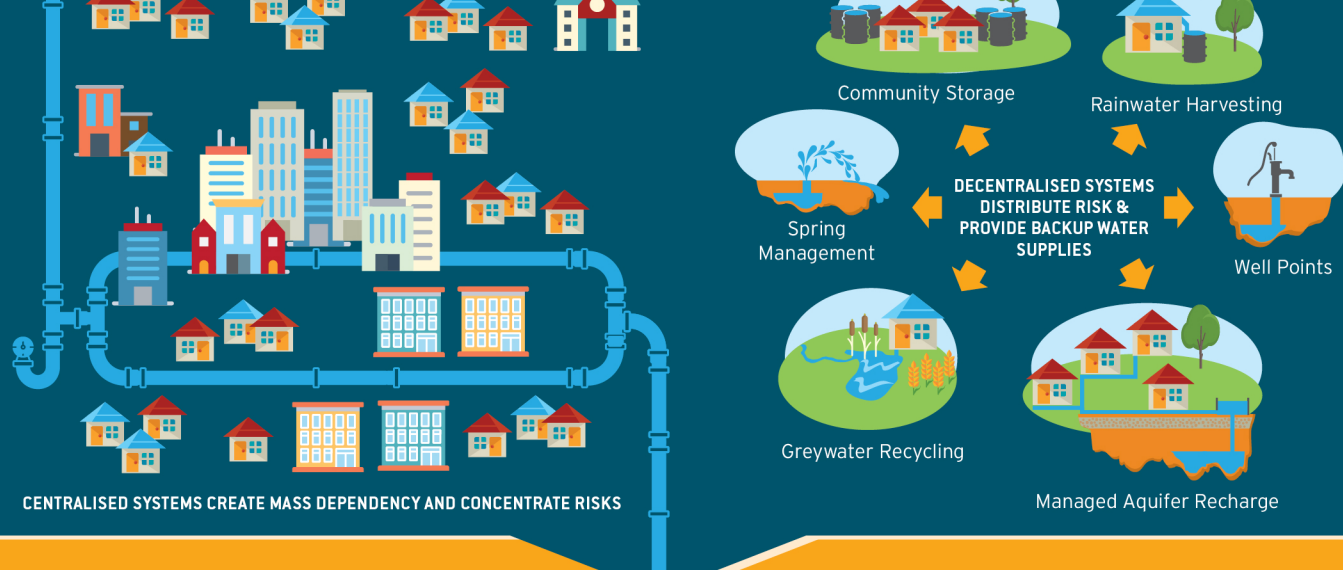
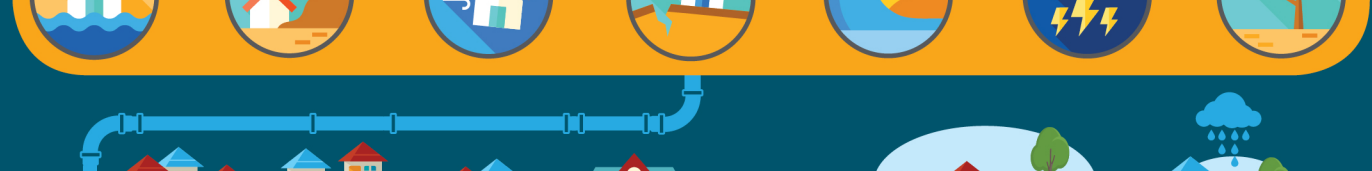
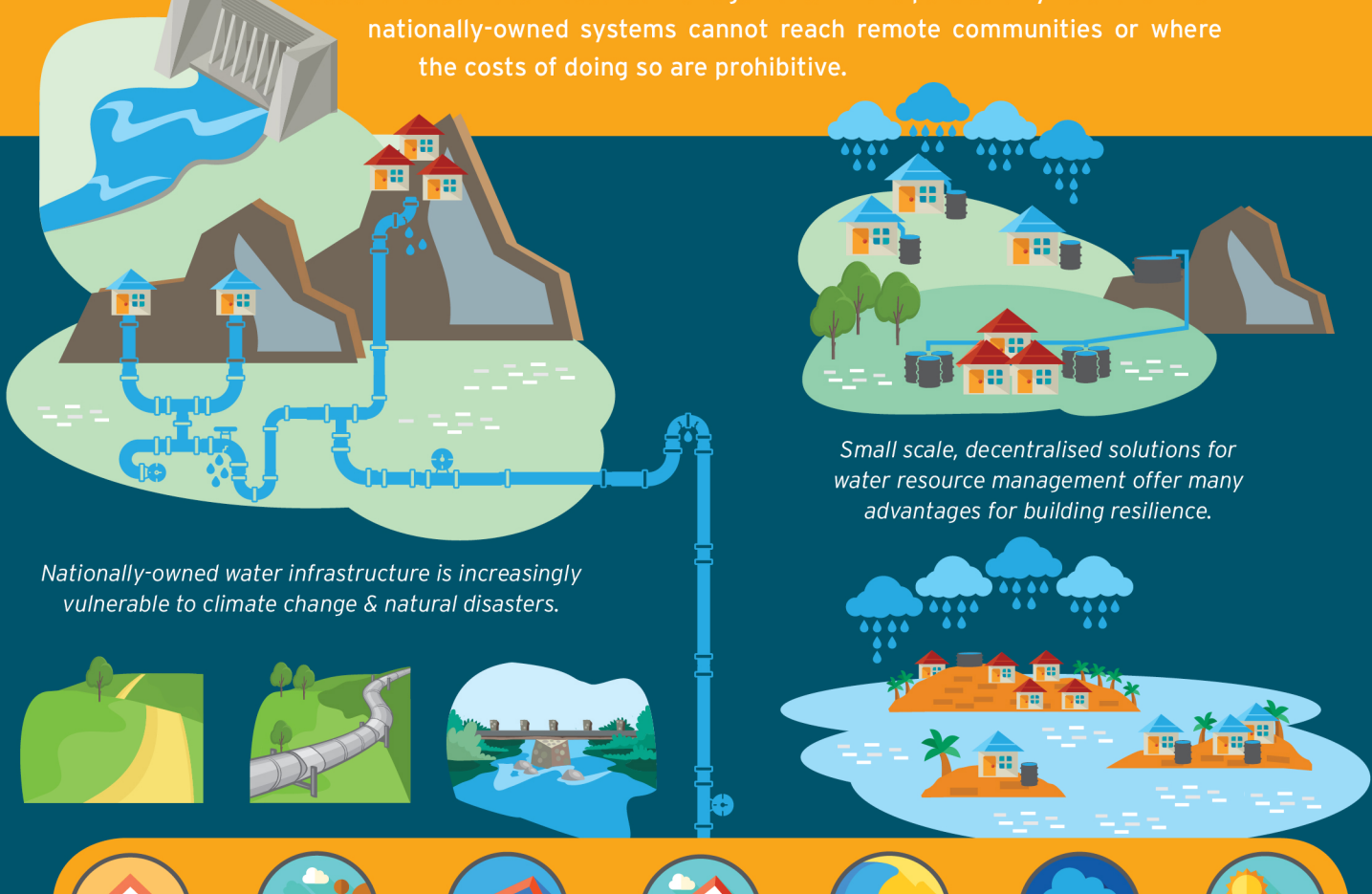
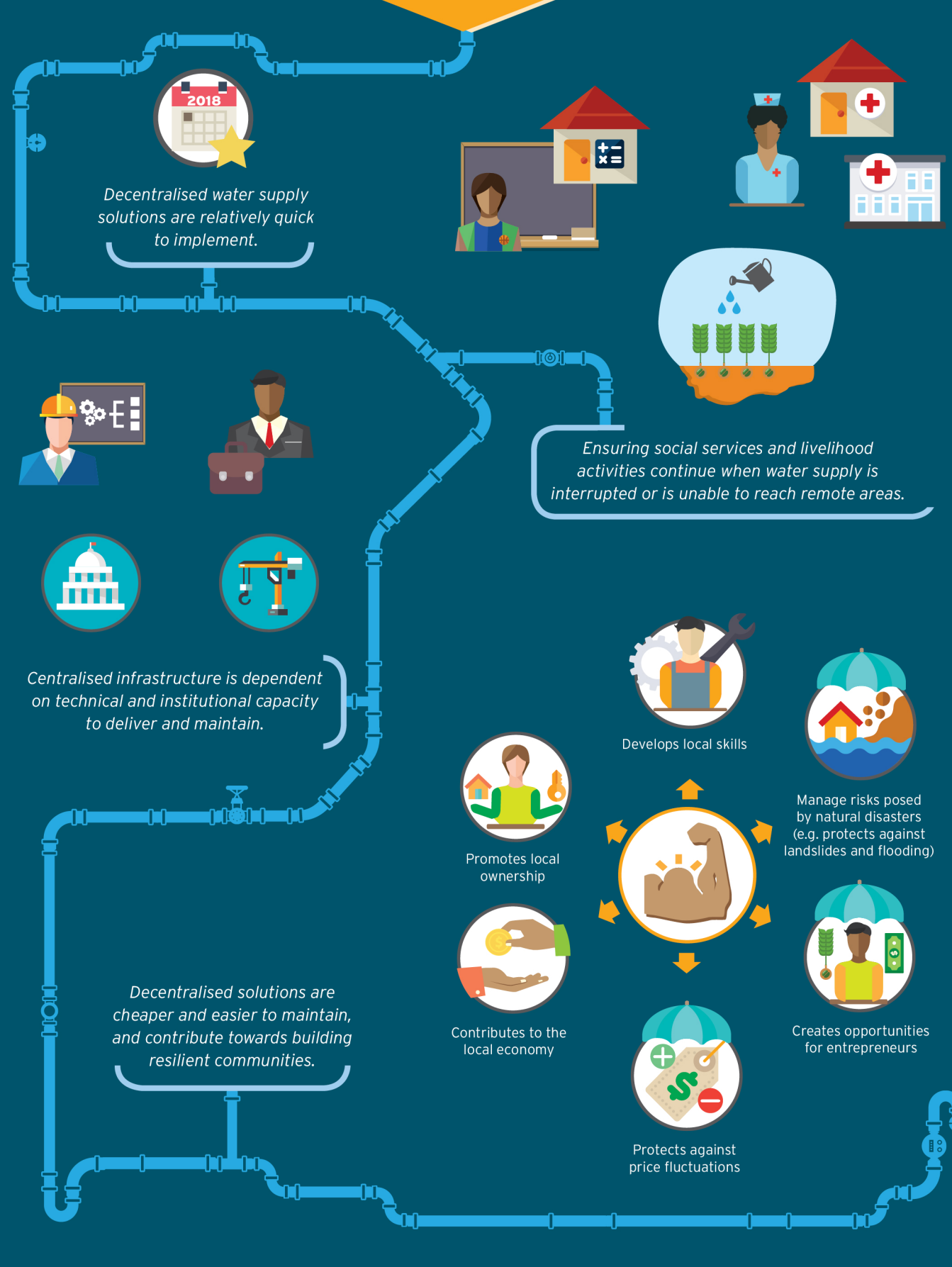


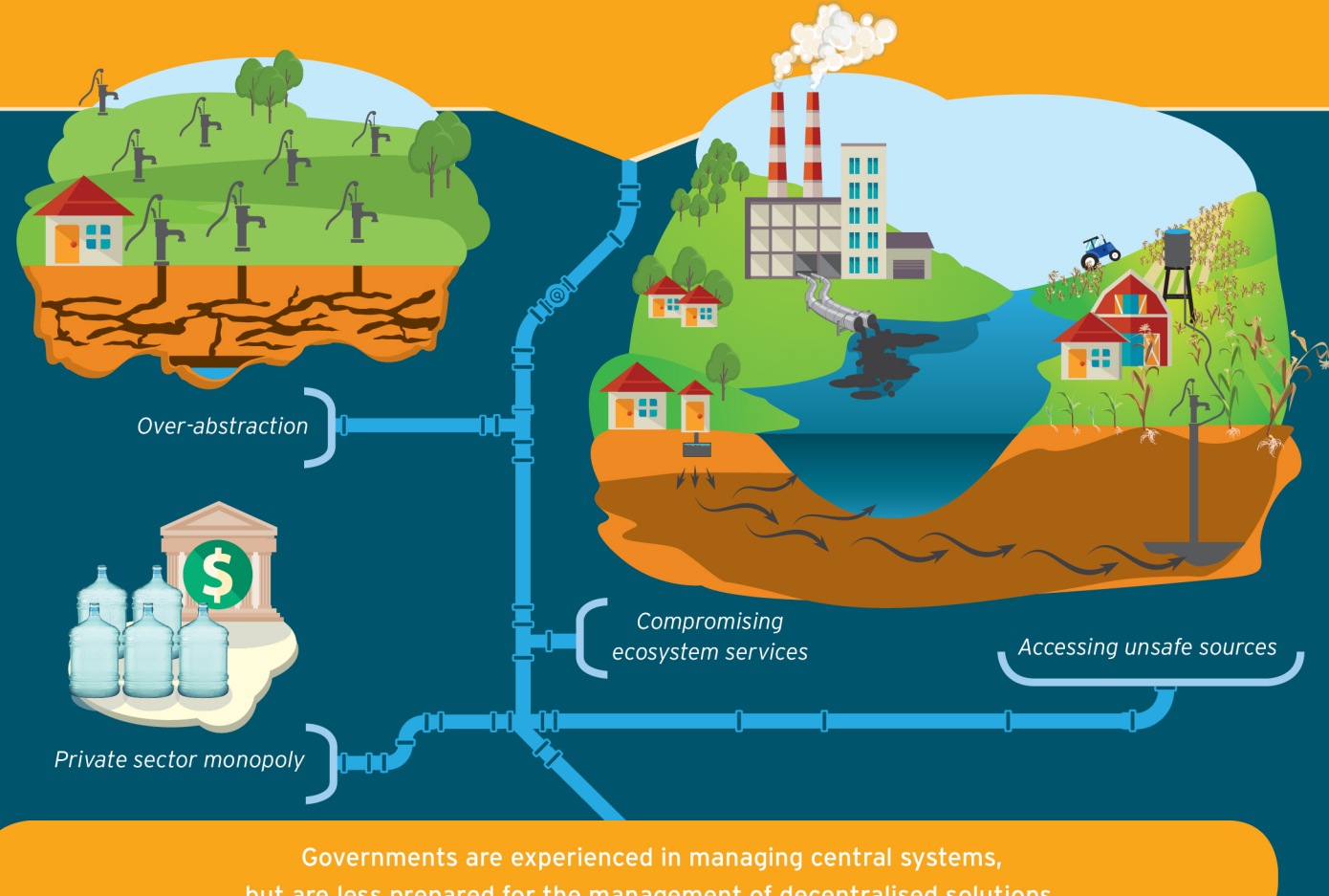
Several PPCR projects support local ownership and maintenance of small scale systems for collecting, storing and distributing water - sometimes referred to as decentralised water resource management. This is particularly relevant when nationally-owned systems cannot reach remote communities or where the costs of doing so are prohibitive.



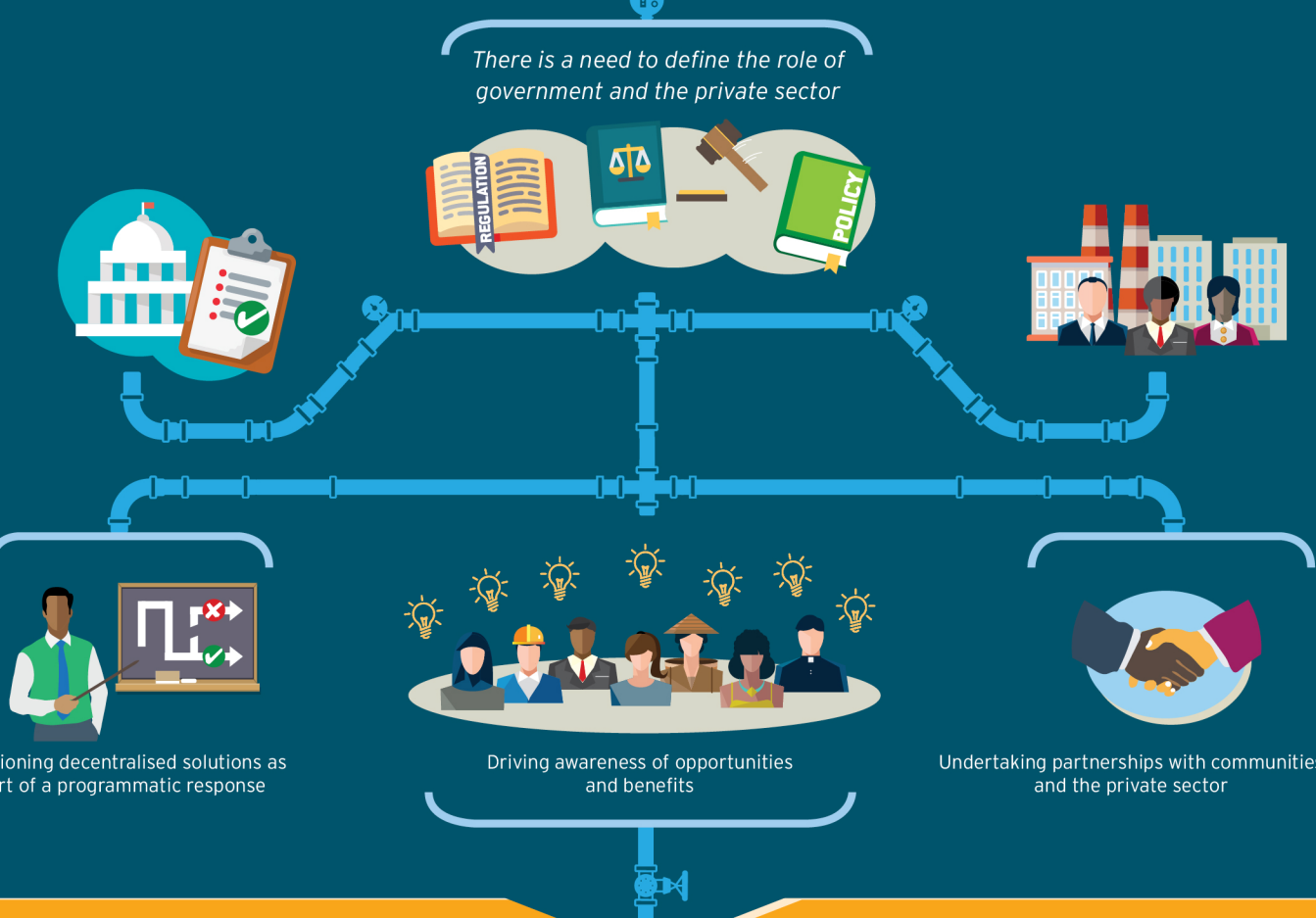
Whilst centralised water systems are able to achieve economies of scale and deliver water cheaply to large populations of people, decentralised solutions bring about many co-benefits that are particularly helpful in the context of smaller communities.



The experiences of PPCR countries demonstrate how, without access to centrally supplied water, people often adapt in a make-do fashion. Without guidance and support, this kind of adaptation can often lead to negative consequences for people and the environment, both now and in the future.



Governments are experienced in managing central systems, but are less prepared for the management of decentralised solutions.



Decentralised water solutions can act as the mechanism for enhancing climate change resilience and driving transformational change.

