

Water is not everything, but without it, there is nothing

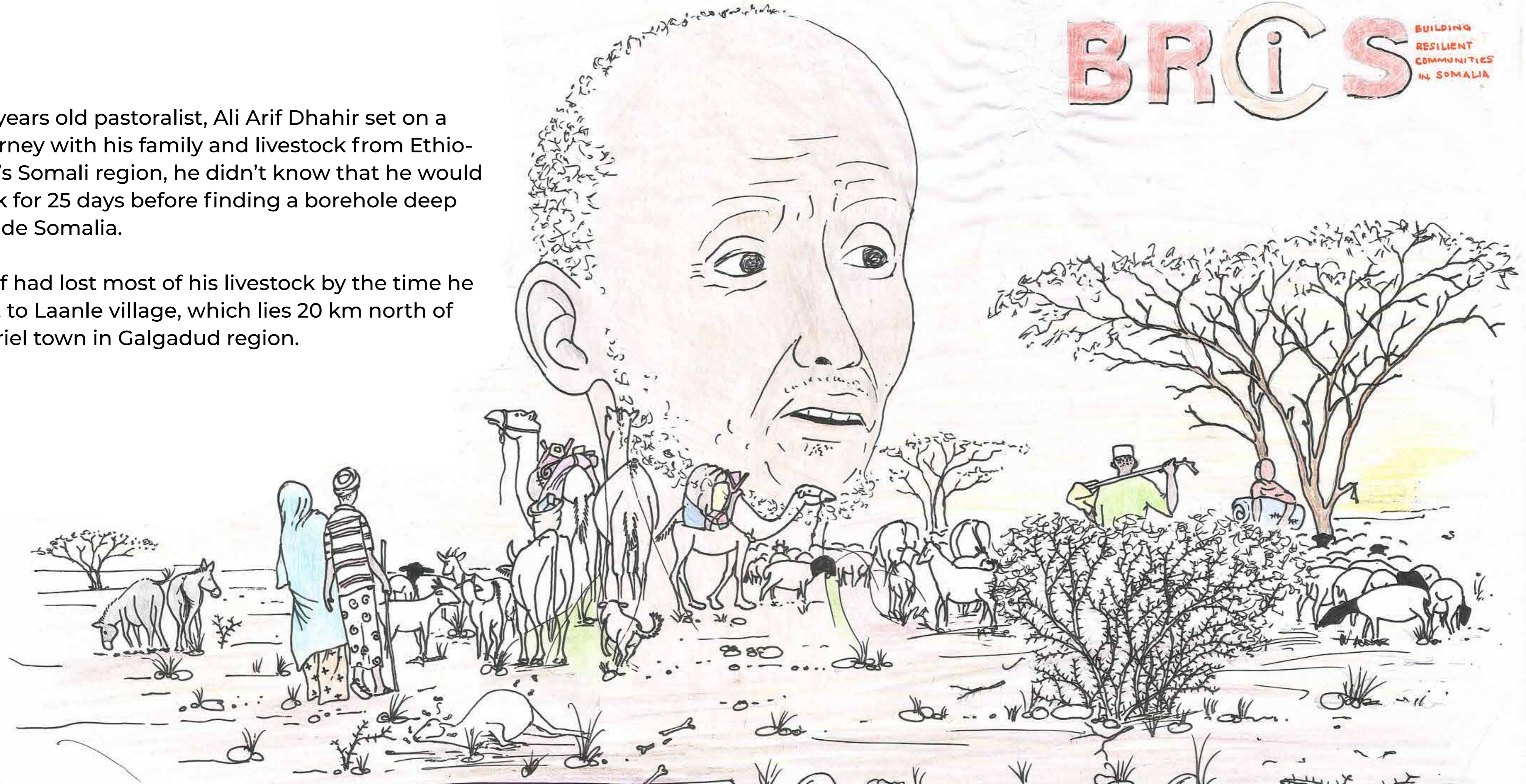
The BRCiS (Building Resilient Communities in Somalia) aims to make communities more resilient to shocks and stresses. Among other expected outcomes, the FCDO-funded BRCiS 2 project sought to enhance the capacity of communities to mitigate the impact of shocks through effective management of natural resources, community integration into local governance, and strong social cohesion. BRCiS derives its strength from its deep and meaningful relationship with local communities.

This is the story of 73-year-old pastoralist Ali Arif Dahir who fled the drought in Ethiopia, with his family and livestock. He didn't know that he would trek for 25 days before finding a borehole, deep inside Somalia.

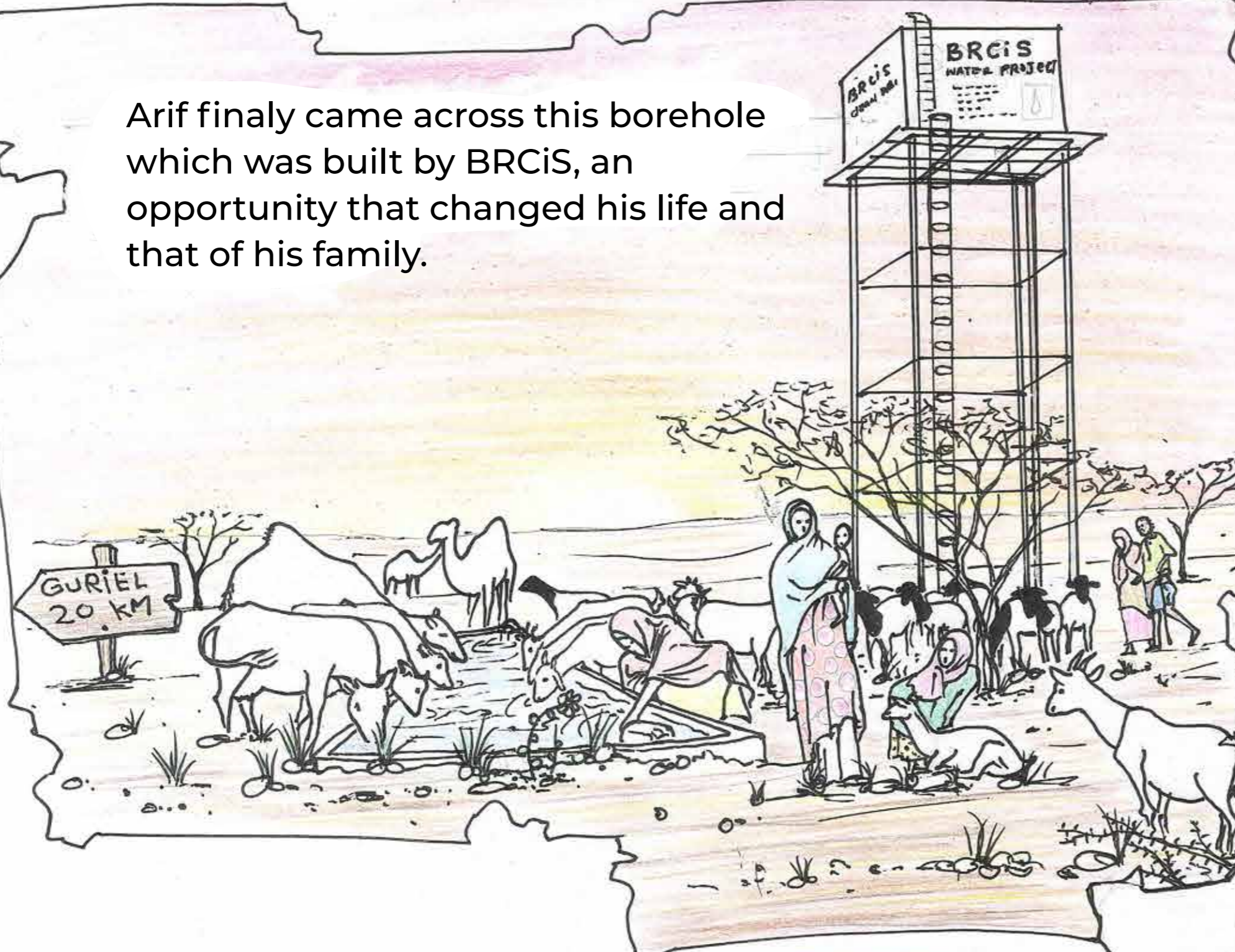
73 years old pastoralist, Ali Arif Dahir set on a journey with his family and livestock from Ethiopia's Somali region, he didn't know that he would trek for 25 days before finding a borehole deep inside Somalia.

Arif had lost most of his livestock by the time he got to Laanle village, which lies 20 km north of Guriel town in Galgadud region.

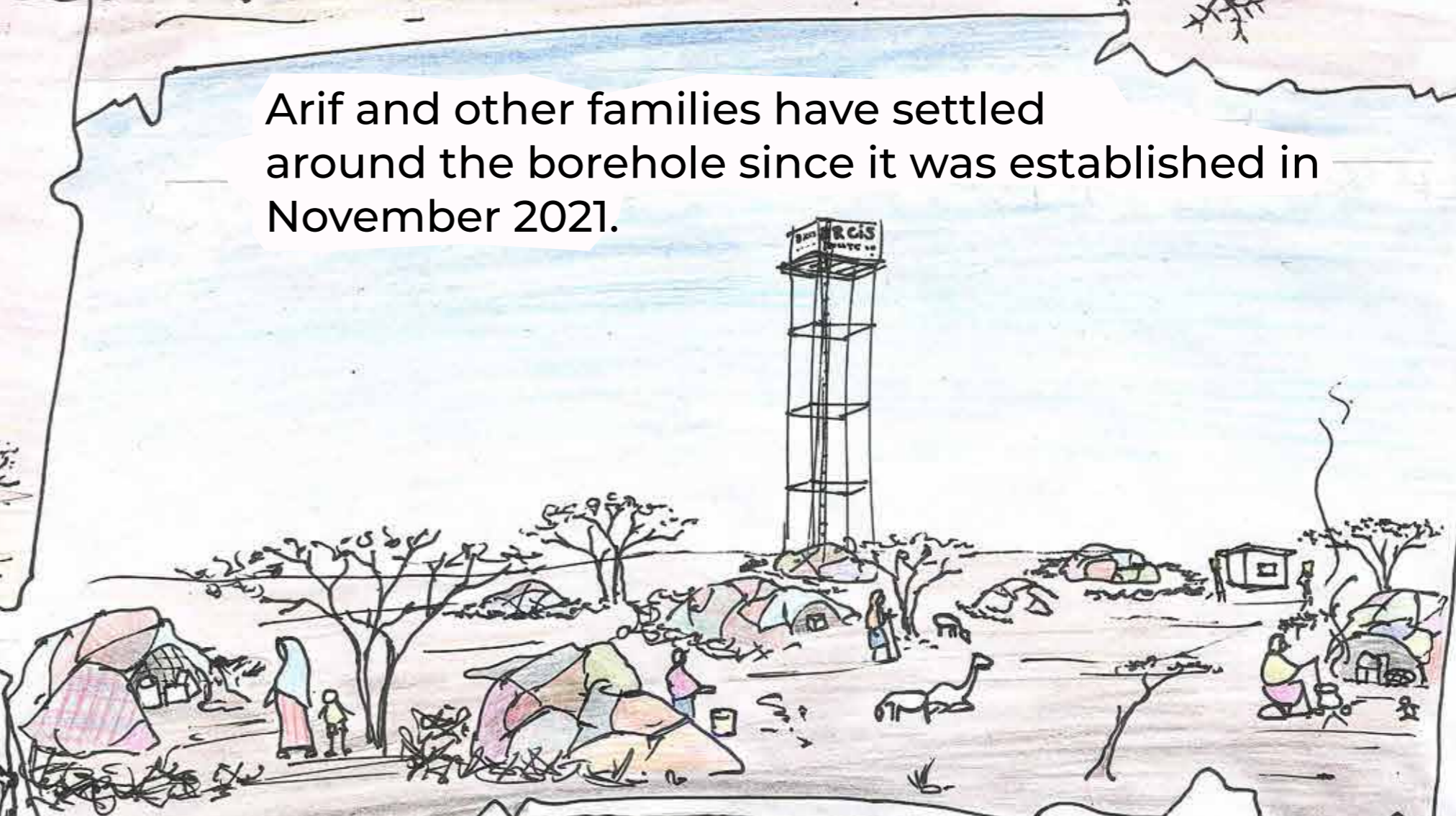
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Arif finally came across this borehole which was built by BRCiS, an opportunity that changed his life and that of his family.



Arif and other families have settled around the borehole since it was established in November 2021.



BRCiS encouraged the local community to appoint a local committee to manage the affairs of the borehole and those who rely on it



Arif and others pastoralists who migrated with their livestock have settled there, generating other needs such as education and health facilities.



My fellow community elders, how can we help the rest of our family members to get maximum advantage of the borehole?

