



Those who are left behind

An elderly woman clears mud from a destroyed road near her home – a quiet reminder of those left behind.

In Central Asia, more than 10 million people are on the move in search of better work and living conditions beyond their national borders. As migration from Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan continues to increase, so too does the number of family members left behind – children, spouses, and elderly parents struggling to cope in their absence.

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