

PICS Bags: Chemical-free Crop Storage



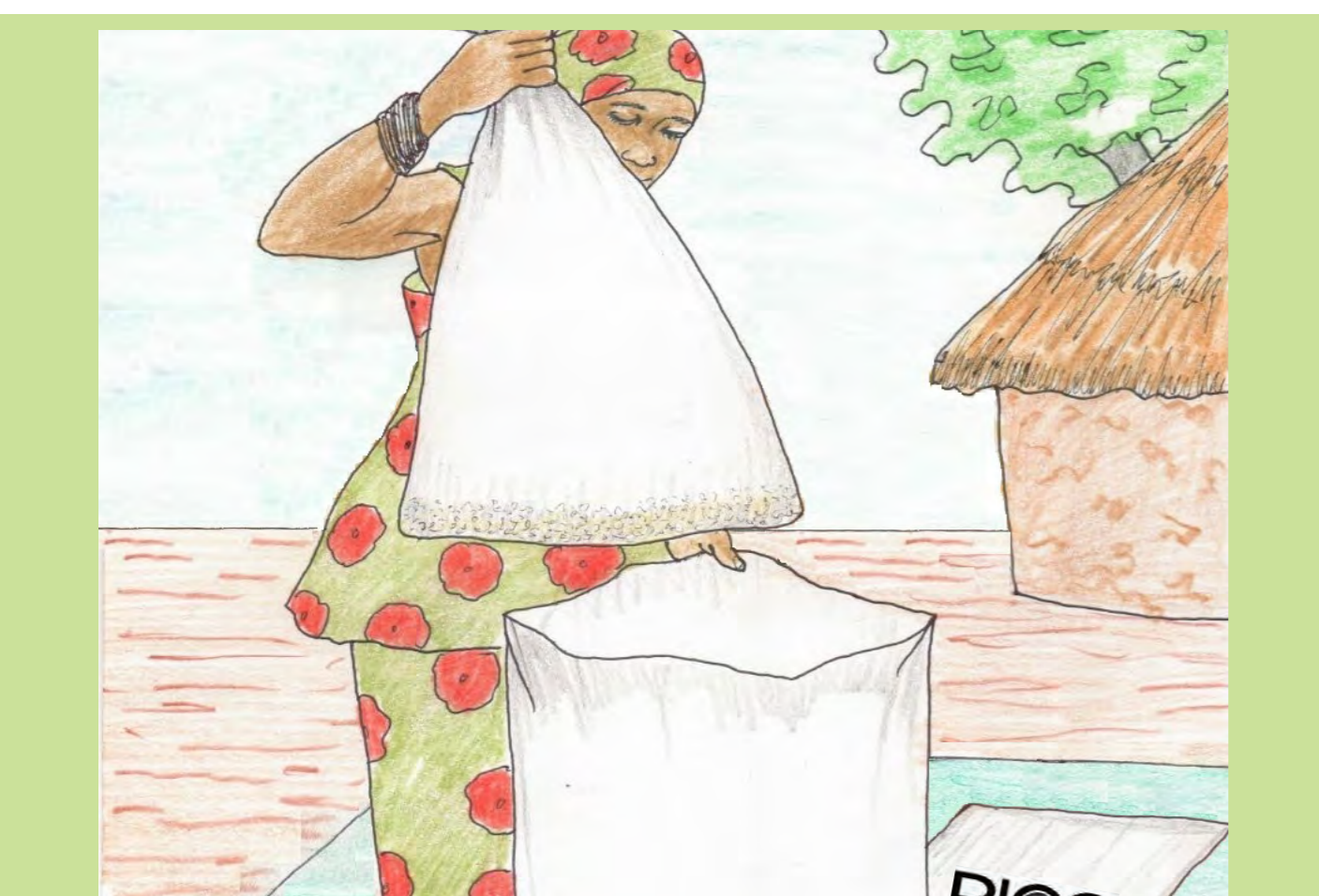
1 Buy PICS bags from approved vendors.



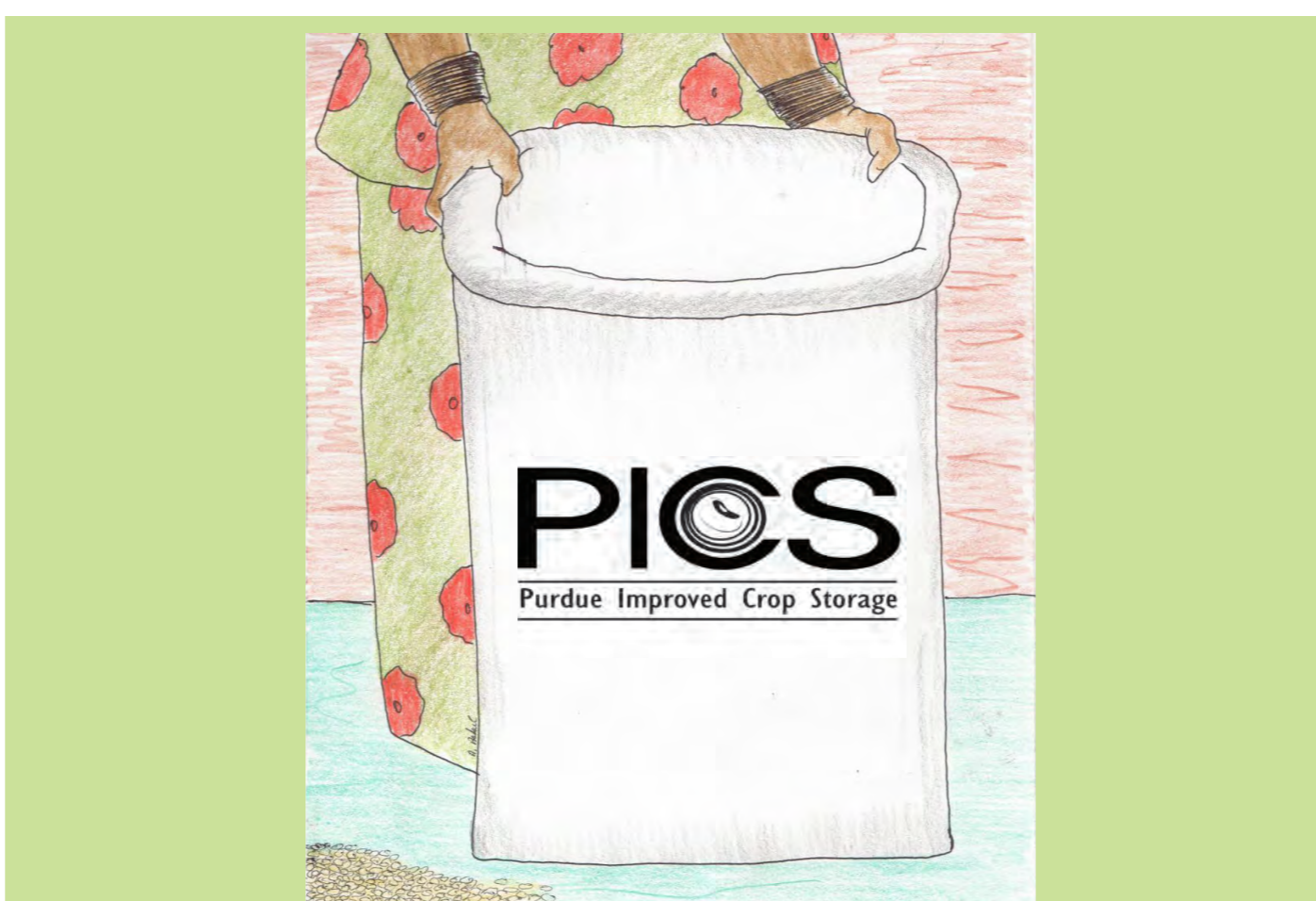
2 Make sure the grain you are storing is dry and clean (has no debris)



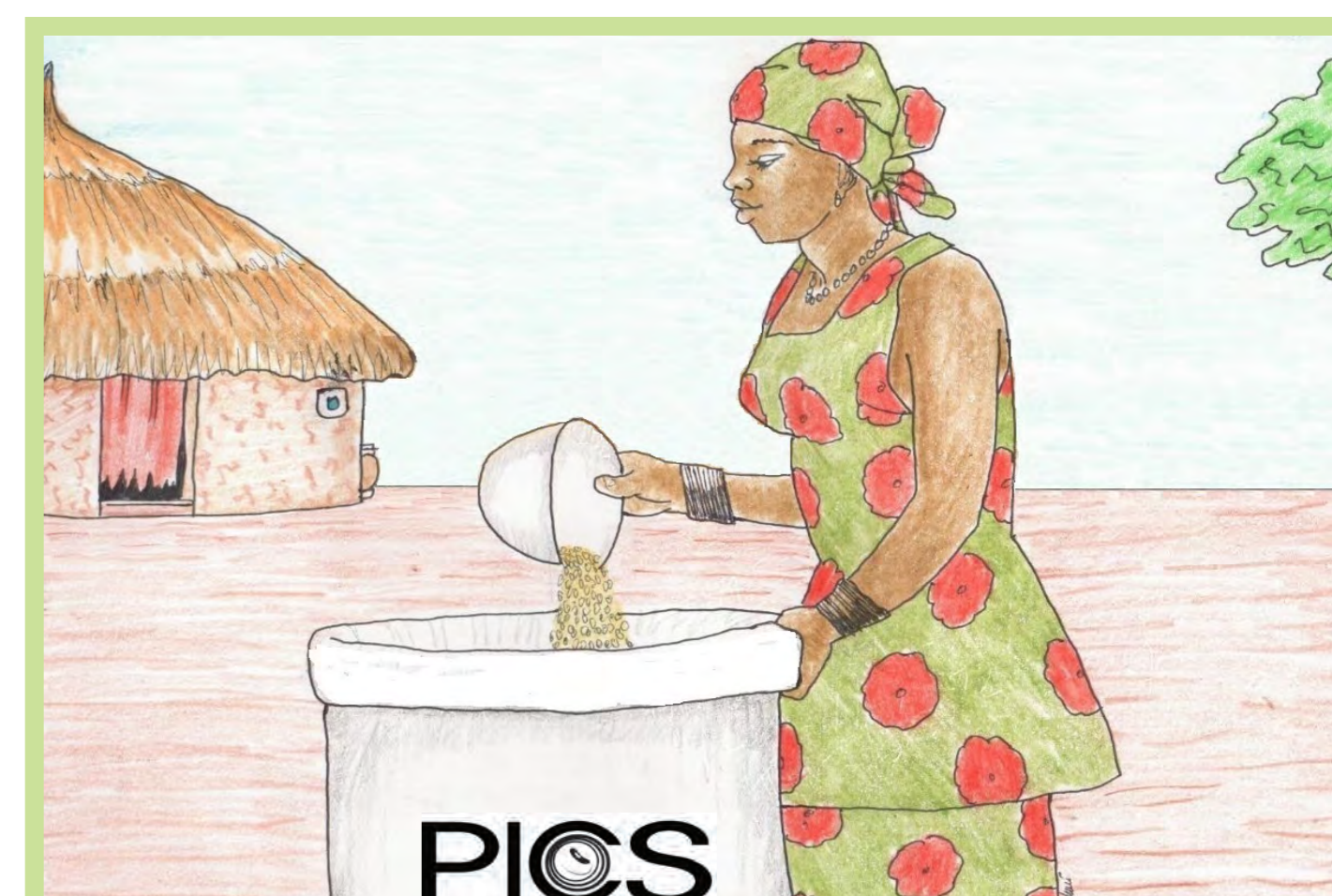
3 Check the two inner liners for holes or tears (don't use defective liners)



4 Pour a small amount of grain into the first liner, then fit it inside the second liner



5 Insert the two liners into the woven bag. Fold over the tops of all three bags together



6 Fill the bag with grain while shaking gently to avoid air pockets; make sure a lip remains for tying



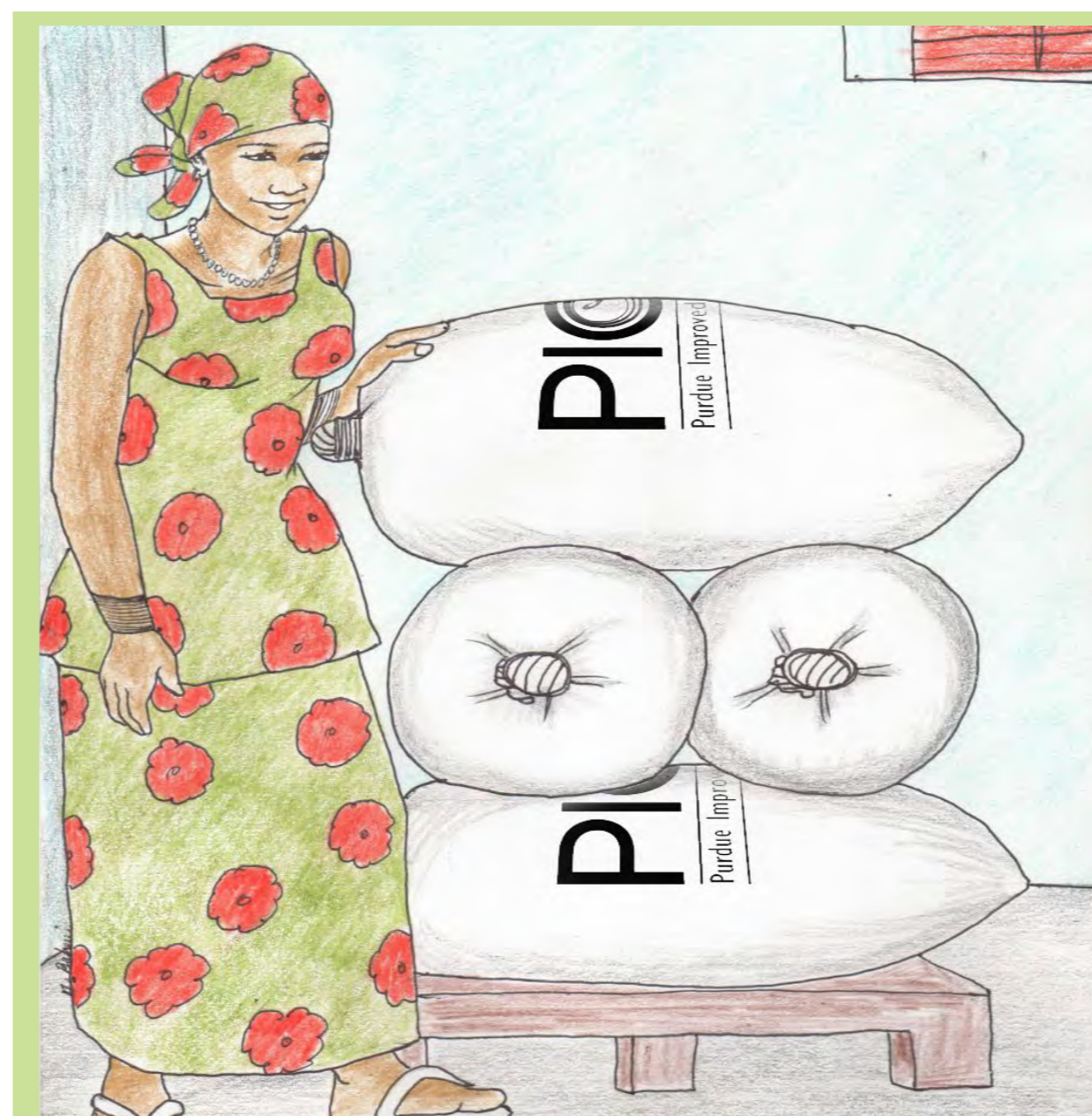
7 Pack the grain tightly to remove air then twist the lip gently. Fold it over and tie using a string or cord. Tie each of the three bags separately.



8 Step 1: Inner Bag First Step 2: Middle Bag Next Step 3: Outer Bag Last

Recommendations

- Don't store PICS bags in direct sunlight or extreme heat
- Use elevated platforms to keep the bags off the ground
- Don't pile PICS bags against walls to facilitate stock inspections
- Don't store PICS bags in the same area with heavily infested grain



"PICS bag - Improves market value and food security"

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