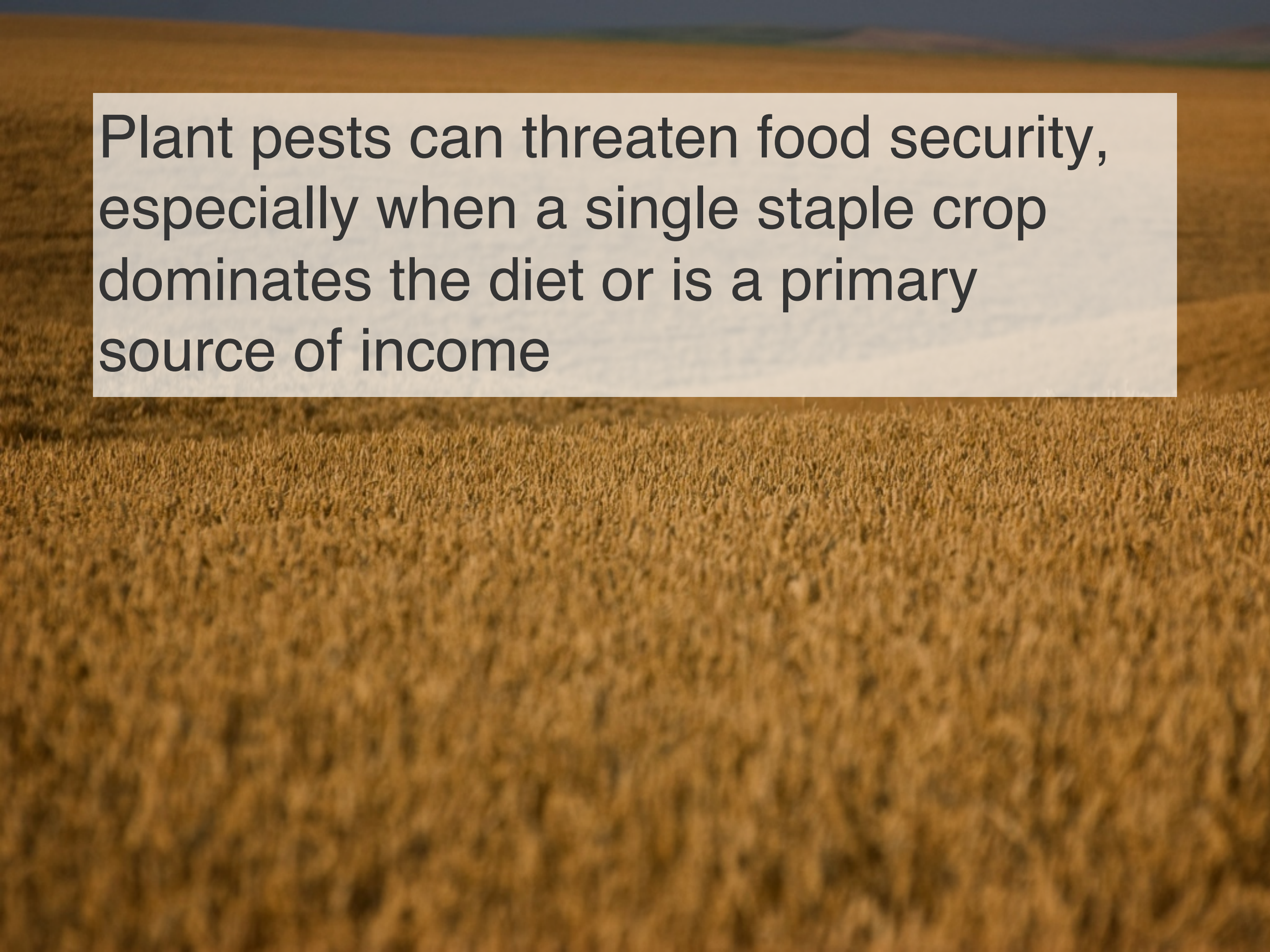


Food security is essential
for human well-being



A vast field of golden wheat under a clear sky. The wheat is in full bloom, creating a dense, textured sea of gold. The sky is a pale, clear blue, and the horizon is visible in the distance. The overall scene is bright and sunny, suggesting a clear day in a rural agricultural setting.

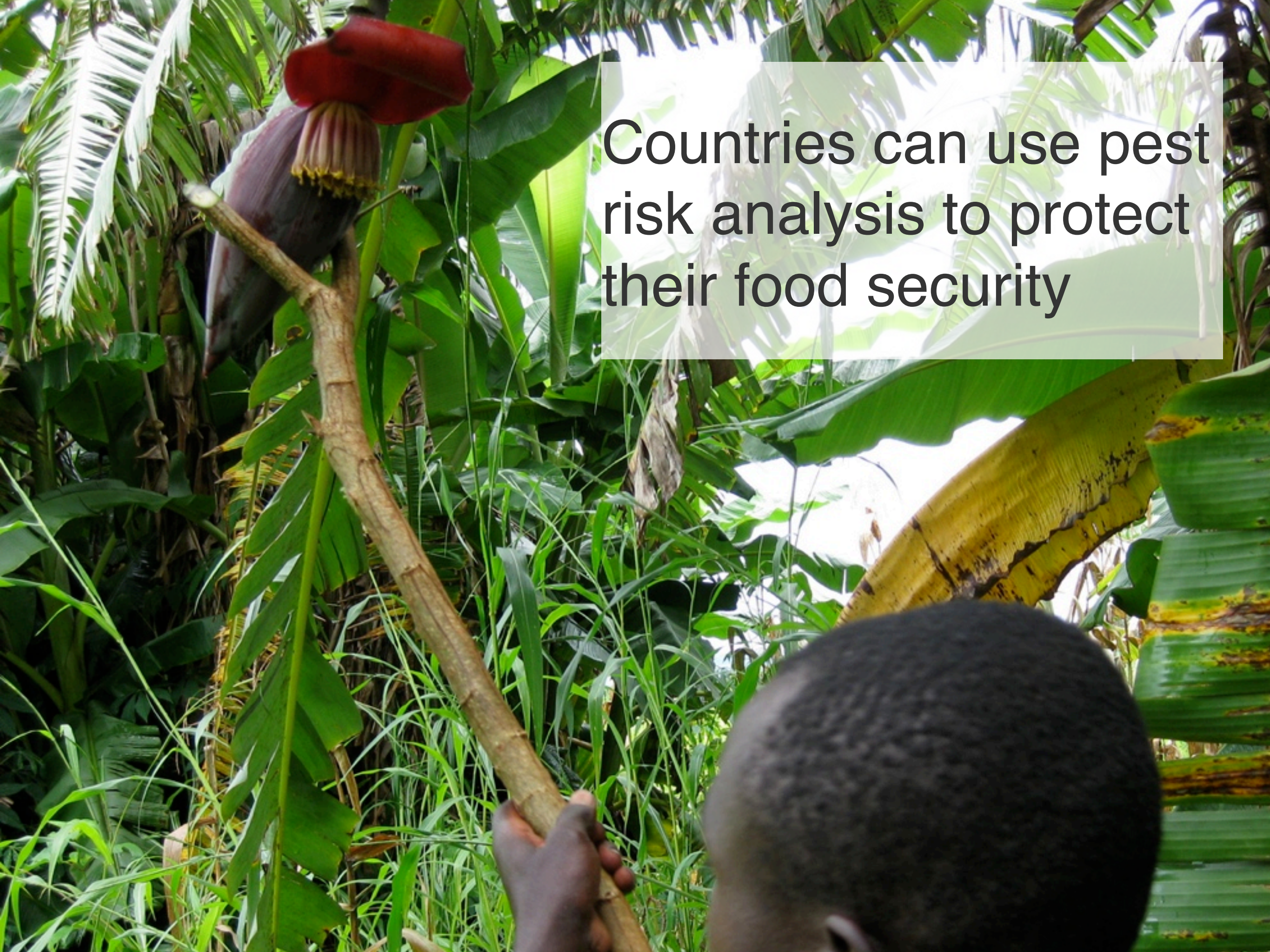
Plant pests can threaten food security,
especially when a single staple crop
dominates the diet or is a primary
source of income

The Irish potato famine killed more than one million people in the 1840s





**Banana Xanthomonas wilt
can destroy 90% of the
banana crop in Uganda,
where it is a staple and
money earner**

A photograph of a tropical agricultural field. In the foreground, a person's hand is visible, holding a thick, light-brown banana stem. At the top of the stem is a large, vibrant red flower with a purple, bell-shaped base. The background is filled with lush green foliage, including banana leaves and other tropical plants. A semi-transparent white box with black text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

Countries can use pest risk analysis to protect their food security



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