COVID-19 Update

29 June 2020
Global Update

The number of confirmed COVID-19 cases globally exceeded 10 million. New cases growing faster than ever worldwide, with more than 100,000 reported each day.

- WFP estimates that the number of acute food insecure people in its countries of operation could increase from 149 million pre-COVID-19, to 270 million before the end of the year.

- In some regions the projected increase is particularly dramatic, especially in Latin America, followed by West and Central Africa and Southern Africa.

- Lean seasons and poor rainfall, desert locusts' outbreaks, hurricane and monsoons season, spikes in armed conflict, and socio-economic grievances exacerbate regional crises.

- Timing is critical: requirements will peak over the next three months (July–September), as the immediate consequences of the COVID-19 crisis unfold.

2.9M
MT of food across the supply chain

1.3M
Mt of food purchased by COs

475
Staffing surge positions requested

445M
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Potential Increase of Food-Insecurity by Region

Latin America & the Caribbean

- **269%**
  - PRE-COVID: 4.3 million people
  - PROJECTED IN 2020: 16.0 million people

West & Central Africa

- **135%**
  - PRE-COVID: 24.5 million people
  - PROJECTED IN 2020: 57.5 million people

Southern Africa

- **90%**
  - PRE-COVID: 27.5 million people
  - PROJECTED IN 2020: 42 million; up to 52.4 million people (worst case scenario)

Asia & the Pacific

- **83%**
  - PRE-COVID: 27.1 million people
  - PROJECTED IN 2020: 49.6 million people

Eastern Africa

- **73%**
  - PRE-COVID: 24 million people
  - PROJECTED IN 2020: 41.5 million people

Middle East, Central Asia & North Africa

- **29%**
  - PRE-COVID: 41.1 million people
  - PROJECTED IN 2020: 53 million people
WFP’s Response Pillars

To mitigate and respond to the immediate consequences of COVID-19, WFP plans to deliver on the following pillars:

**Sustain critical assistance to WFP’s 100 million** pre-COVID-19 targeted beneficiaries through alternative means of assistance

**Scale-up to support an additional 38 million** people on the brink of hunger due to COVID-19 compounded impacts

**Support governments and partners** in their COVID-19 response through provision of technical assistance, tangible assets and services, and complementary support
WFP Immediate Funding Requirements

USD 4.9 billion appeal

- WFP’s total revised budget for the next six months is USD 7.9 billion
  - This takes into account the re-prioritization of activities and carry over
  - 62% of this is required through end 2020

- Only one-third of WFP’s 83 operations are funded at 50 percent or more

- With current trends, the IRA will reach critical levels by end July.
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Global Service Provision

- **Health and Humanitarian Cargo Transport**: 24,497 m³ of COVID-19 items to 138 countries, on behalf of 38 organizations.

- **Passenger Services**: 5,267 passengers transported to 50 destinations, on behalf of 174 different organizations.

- **MEDEVACS**: 18 MEDEVACs carried out by WFP so far, field hospitals finalized in Addis Ababa and Accra, WFP has access to a global network of contracted air ambulances.

- **Coordination**: The Supply Chain Inter-Agency Coordination Cell (SCICC) provides a ‘line of sight’ on all supply chain requirements, ensuring COVID-19 needs are prioritized within the wider humanitarian community.

WFP requested USD 965 million to sustain these services throughout 2020. Only USD 181 million has been confirmed. This will only cover costs until the end of July.
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Way forward on Funding our Operations

• WFP expresses its sincere gratitude to the member states who helped to fund our COVID-19 response efforts by anticipating or stepping up their contributions.

• WFP is continuously working towards broadening the funding base for our response by strengthening for example our engagement with the IFIs and the SGs COVID-19 MPTF.

• Regardless severe challenges exist in funding the requests by partner governments / response in country offices with a smaller footprint (especially in MIC).

• WFP would therefore kindly ask for the support of the member states to raise awareness, that we are still looking at significant funding shortfalls to cover the overall needs mentioned before.

• WFP will send an ED donor letter based on the Update of the Global Ask and will closely follow up with donor capitals and IFIs.

• The funding of WFPs operations for 2021 is worrying as needs are likely to increase and many donor economies are severely affected by COVID-19.