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Operational Context

Haiti ranks 163rd of the 188 countries on the 2016 Human Development Index. Haiti has one of the highest levels of chronic food insecurity in the world, more than half of its population is chronically food insecure, and 22 percent of children are chronically malnourished. Underlying drivers of this situation include extreme poverty and frequent natural disasters. On the 2017 Climate Risk Index, Haiti is third among the countries most affected by extreme weather events.

WFP's first priority is to support the Haitian Government in developing sustainable solutions to hunger and malnutrition with the goal to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 2 "Zero Hunger". WFP has been working in Haiti since 1969.



In Numbers

4,860 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$70,364 cash based transfers made

US\$ 85.12 m total requirements

2,547 people assisted In July 2018



Operational Updates

Zero Hunger Strategic Review

• In July, the National Food Sovereignty and Food Security and Nutrition Policy and Strategy was finalized. WFP organized a two-day workshop with the Prime Minister's office, 11 ministries, academic institutions, UN agencies and NGOs. Stakeholders discussed collaboration and contribution to the implementation of actions proposed by the Strategic Review.

School Meals

 A summer camp organized by our partner Catholic Relief Services took place from 9-27 July in seven sites for eight schools. Camp activities were intended to strengthen reading skills and oral comprehension of children.

Social Protection

- To support the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour (MAST) in the implementation of the Kore Lavi Programme, a needs-based implementation plan was elaborated in each department. Each implementation plan is monitored monthly to track achievements and coordinate responses to programmatic gaps when needed.
- In July, WFP continued to expand the Information System of the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour (SIMAST) and launched surveys in two communes of South department in partnership with IOM. About 270, 800 households are now registered in the database.

Food Assistance for Assets

 A community level workshop on Seasonal Livelihood Programming (SLP) took place from 26-27 July in the South department. The SLP is part of WFP's Three-Pronged Approach (3PA) to strengthen the design, planning and implementation of programmes in resilience building, safety nets, disaster-risk reduction, and preparedness.

WFP Country Strategy

Transitional Interim Country Strategic Plan (January 2018- June 2019)		
Total Requirement (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
85.12 m	60.88 m	-22.77 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Households in affected areas have access to sufficient and adequate food to meet their basic food needs after a shock

Focus area: Crisis Response

Activities:

• Provide unconditional food assistance to families affected by shocks

Strategic Outcome 2: Nutritionally vulnerable households in areas with a high prevalence of chronic food insecurity have access to nutritious food during the lean season. *Focus area: Resilience building*

Activities:

 Provide nutritious-sensitive, targeted seasonal food assistance to families with pregnant and lactating women and girls and children aged 6-23 months

Strategic Outcome 3: Pre-primary and primary school-aged children have adequate access to nutritious food all year long *Focus area:* Root Causes

Activities:

- Provide daily nutritious school meals, and training on hygiene, health and dietary practices to children of school age
- Support policy implementation, analysis of school feeding models and provision of tools to the Ministry of Education

Strategic Result 3: Smallholders have improved food security and nutrition through improved productivity and incomes

Strategic Outcome 4: Food insecure vulnerable smallholders have more resilient livelihoods to meet their food security and nutritious needs throughout the year *Focus area*: *Resilience building*

Activities:

- Provide conditional food assistance for productive agricultural asset creation to food insecure households
- Provide market support for smallholder farmers and organizations to aggregate and sell diversified agricultural products

Strategic Result 5: Countries have strengthened capacities to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 5: Governmental institutions and other organizations at national and local levels have enhanced capacities to address food insecurity and malnutrition among vulnerable population by 2030 *Focus area: Root Causes*

Activities:

- Provide assistance to the national social protection safety net programme in vulnerability targeting
- Provide technical assistance to the Government, the Red Cross and local NGOs in Emergency Preparedness and Response and assessments

Emergency Preparedness

 For the hurricane season, WFP is ready to respond using its in-kind contingency stock to cover 300,000 people for a month. As per its contingency plan, WFP may also provide cash transfers to up to 150,000 people.

Monitoring

- In preparation for the hurricane season, M&E and VAM units organized a refresher training in the field office of Gonaives. The training focused on emergency assessments, targeting strategies, market assessments, distribution of general food assistance and focus group discussions. A simulation involving the whole Gonaives field office team accompanied the distribution training.
- WFP's hotline aims to provide feedback and strengthen WFP's monitoring system. All callers were men; and the majority of the calls were related to the payment schedule of Food Assistance for Assets activities.

Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping

 In July, WFP supported the National Coordination for Food Security (CNSA) in the elaboration of <u>the</u> <u>Food Basket bulletin</u>. The bulletin revealed that the value of the food basket has increased by about 3 percent compared to the previous quarter. Thanks to the harvest during the spring season, the general food security situation improved.

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