



**World Food
Programme**

Memorandum

Proforma for requesting an IRA allocation for preparedness activities

To:	Calum Gardner Chief, Organization Budgeting Service (RMBB)	Date:	26 September 2018
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From:	Sarah Longford Country Director a.i., Nigeria		

Subject:	Request for funds allocation from the Immediate Response Account (IRA) for Nigeria Flood Response Preparedness
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PART 1: INFORMATION NOTE

RATIONALE:

Since late August, heavy rains have caused large-scale flooding across Nigeria that has already impacted over 826,000 people (NEMA sitrep 26 Sept 2018), with the potential to affect millions, on a scale comparable to the 2012 floods, which killed 363 people and displaced over 2.1 million. The flooding has affected at least 12 states so far, including Adamawa, Anambra, Bayelsa, Benue, Delta, Edo, Kebbi, Kogi, Niger, Kwara, Rivers and Taraba. Areas located along the Niger and Benue rivers are particularly at risk, including Kogi State where the two rivers meet. The Director-General of the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) on 17 September declared a national disaster in the four worst-affected states of Kogi, Niger, Anambra, and Delta.

Potential heavy rainfall predicted for the next three weeks will likely lead to further flooding in affected communities as well as previously unaffected areas with numbers of effected populations expected to grow significantly. Local authorities remain on high alert of potential disaster in additional states. Neighboring Cameroon and Benin also have major reported flooding. Among the highest concerns is the Lagdo Dam in Cameroon where, once the water level reaches 21.6 meters (m), the Cameroonian authorities will have to release the dam water, which, when it occurred in 2012, caused

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a national disaster in Nigeria. The latest projections are that this spillage is unlikely, though it remains a great risk.

NEMA so far conducted 12 state preparedness assessments, to review affected communities, identify evacuation areas for the displaced, and confirm state preparedness. A 24/7 situation room at NEMA HQ has been activated to centralize data collection/analysis, activation of five Emergency Operation Centers states, and activation of sectoral coordination for preparedness/response (Jointly with OCHA). However, the lack of timely information as well as data for certain states makes needs challenging and makes decision making and effective response to the crisis difficult. The Government is leading the overall response, the national contingency plan was activated and the government called on the sectors to step in, supported by the UN.

Building on WFP's capacity-strengthening efforts over the years and in line with the existing MoU between WFP and NEMA that dates from November 2017 (that lays out how WFP will strengthen *NEMA's technical capacities in order to reinforce emergency management and DRR*), WFP will provide technical support to NEMA/SEMA in the areas of Vulnerability Assessment and Mapping, Information Management, Coordination and Supply Chain preparedness to strengthen their capacity to effectively respond to the flood crisis and improve readiness for a larger scale response if required.

In order to provide appropriate support to the NEMA/SEMA response, the Nigeria country office is requesting immediate funding to initiate the following activities:

Supply Chain Management:

- Capacity strengthening support to NEMA/SEMA around general Supply Chain preparedness for flood response, including logistics processes and warehousing services and the identification of retailers in and around high-risk areas.
- Transport/Retail Assessments as part of EPR Minimum and Advanced preparedness actions.
- Warehouse management training (SEMA)
- Deployment of two supply chain experts to the flood affected areas to support NEMA/SEMA through on the job capacity building.
- Finalization of Logistics Capacity Assessments

Assessment and coordination:

- Support for ongoing NEMA/SEMA assessment and coordination of the food security sector and nutrition sector activities.

Information management and VAM/GIS support:

- Deployment of two TDY staff (OIM/GIS) within the NEMA structure to support coordination, information management, early warning mapping and GIS support (production of maps on flood-affected areas and estimates of potentially vulnerable populations in need of assistance).

Others

- Travel costs for expert deployments.

IRA AMOUNT REQUESTED:

WFP is requesting US\$ 260,498 to roll out support activities and ensure immediate surge staff deployments in support of the government's flood response.

DURATION OF THE ACTIVITY: 01 October to 31 December (3 months)

JUSTIFICATION:

WFP does not have a presence outside the northeast but is supporting NEMA in line with the existing MoU. Since WFP's current operations (EMOP 200777) does not foresee activities in the flood affected areas, funding for proposed activities under this IR-PREP will need to be channeled from a different funding source.

To date, the government has not officially requested international assistance, which implies that WFP's role will remain to provide technical capacity support to the government response in the areas of expertise and as required.

PART 2: DETAILED BUDGET

Attach the budget estimate using the standard SO Project Budget Plan Format.

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Capacity Development and Augmentation (CD&A) costs	\$244,599	94%	
Direct Support Costs (DSC)	\$0	0%	0%
Total WFP direct project costs (US\$)	\$244,599	94%	
Indirect Support Costs (ISC) 6.5%	\$15,899	6%	
TOTAL WFP COSTS	\$260,498	100%	

Fund Centre:	NGCO
Functional Area:	SOP
Project Number:	TBD
Project Start Date:	01-Oct-18
Project End Date:	31-Dec-18
Duration (months):	3

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Budget Template worksheet (Hyperlink)
CO-RB-RMBP Check-list
1 - CD&A summary
2 - DSC summary
3 - DSC non-Staff costs
4 - WFP Staff Related Costs
5 - WFP Staff - Summary
Plan Explanation
Final hard copy checklist

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