

WFP Guinea Country Brief August 2019

SAVING LIVES CHANGING LIVES



# **Operational Context**

Despite an abundance of natural resources, Guinea faces major socio-economic and political challenges. Poverty, food insecurity and malnutrition rates are alarming, especially in rural areas. On average, 55 percent of the Guinean population live below the poverty line and unemployment is high, particularly among youth and women. According to the Comprehensive Food and Nutrition Security and Vulnerability Analysis (CFSVA+N -2018), around 21.8 percent of household – or 2.5 million people – are food insecure. The nutritional situation for children aged 6-59 months remains precarious: 6.1 percent of children aged 6-59 months suffer from global acute malnutrition (out of which 1.7 percent are in severe form), and 24.4 percent suffer from stunting or chronic malnutrition, whereas 12 percent are underweight (of whom 2.3 percent are in severe form). WFP is providing vital assistance to vulnerable groups of people, including school-aged children, pregnant and lactating women, children aged 6-59 months, malnourished HIV/TB patients and smallholder farmers in targeted areas, namely women and youth. WFP has been present in Guinea since 1964.



Population: 12.7 million

Income Level: Low income

2017 Human Development Index: **175** out of **189** 

Chronic malnutrition: 25.9 % of children between 6-59 months

# **In Numbers**

906 mt of food assistance distributed

**US\$ 00** cash-based transfers made

**US\$ 5 m** six months (September 2019-Feburary 2020) net funding requirements

**104,864 m people assisted** in August 2019

# 48%



# **Operational Updates**

- The smallholder agriculture market support (SAMS) strategy to guide programme formulation, implementation, monitoring and evaluation for the period of 2019-2022 has been finalized.
- WFP's SAMS unit evaluated and updated the needs of farmers organizations supported with training and agricultural equipment for crop production, storage, handling and transformation. The purchase and distribution of farming equipment to 15 farmers organizations at a value of more than USD 70,000 has been prioritised.
- WFP is finalizing the planning for the school year 2019-2020 at the country office level.
- WFP is collecting the GPS coordinates of school canteen in Boké districts and monitoring closing stock in school canteens in Nzerekoré sub-office.
- Treatment and prevention activities against chronic malnutrition is ongoing in the region of Labe and Kankan accompanied by focus group sessions with social and behavioural change communication.
- Treatment of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) for children aged 6-59 months and ARV patients along with their households continues in the region of Labe, Nzérékoré and Conakry.
- WFP, along with a national consultant, followed up data analysis on food and nutritional vulnerability survey. The draft report is expected at the end of September 2019.

# **Monitoring**

- WFP worked on reconciling data from the cash transfer project to facilitate the timely payment of NGOs and service providers involved in the project.
- As part of the implementation of a complaints and feedback mechanism for beneficiaries, the Vulnerability Assessment Mapping and Monitoring and Evaluation unit designed a confidential information management platform, the technical performance of which will be tested in September.



# **WFP Country Strategy**

# **Interim Country Strategic Plan (2019-2022)**

2019 Total Requirement (in USD)

2019 Allocated

Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)

16.08 m

11 m

2.9 m

## Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

**Strategic Outcome 1:** Food-insecure populations, including pre- and primary school-aged children, in targeted areas have access to adequate and nutritious food all year round

Focus area: Resilience Building

**Strategic Outcome 2:** Crisis-affected populations in targeted areas are able to meet their basic food and nutrition needs during and in the aftermath of a crisis

Focus area: Crisis Response

## **Activities:**

- Provide nutritious school meals to pre- and primary school children, including take home rations for girls prioritizing local purchase and strengthening partners' capacities
- Provide an integrated emergency food and nutrition assistance including SBCC and livelihood support to crisis-affected populations.

#### **Strategic Result 2:** No one suffers from malnutrition

**Strategic Outcome 3**: Nutritionally vulnerable populations including children, pregnant and lactating women and girls (PLW/Gs), HIV/TB antiretroviral therapy (ART) clients, people living with disability and orphans in Guinea, have improved nutritional status by 2030

Focus area: Root Causes

## Activities:

 Support beneficiaries through the provision of specialized nutritious food and integrated programmes including SBCC, and strengthen partner's capacities to prevent and treat all forms of malnutrition

## **Strategic Result 4:** Sustainable food systems

**Strategic Outcome 4:** Food insecure and climate-affected populations, including smallholder farmers, youth and women in targeted areas have improved their livelihood sources, have more efficient and inclusive value chains and resilient food systems by 2030.

Focus area: Resilience Building

#### Activities:

Provide climate-resilient livelihood support to targeted groups to sustainably increase and diversify their role along the food value chain, strengthen access to markets including in relation to school meals/HGSF and improve food handling and processing

#### Strategic Result 5: Countries Strengthening

**Strategic Outcome 5:** National institutions have enhanced capacities to manage food security and nutrition, social protection and disaster risk management systems by 2030.

Focus area: Resilience Building

#### Activities:

Deliver capacity strengthening support to national institutions and other partners including through South-South Cooperation on the design and implementation of social protection, emergency preparedness and response, disaster risk management and supply chain systems

# **Donors**

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