

WFP Guinea Country Brief October 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), about 21 percent of households – 2.5 million people – are food insecure. The nutritional situation of children aged 6-59 months remains precarious: 6.1 percent of children aged 6-59 months suffer from global acute malnutrition (of whom 1.7 percent are severely affected), and 24.4 percent suffer from stunting or chronic malnutrition, 12 percent are underweight.

Contributing to SDG 2 and 17 and aligned with national priorities (PNDES 2016-2020) with a special focus on women and youth, WFP targets vulnerable groups of people in the four regions of Guinea particularly in rural areas, in order to improve food security, reduce malnutrition, enhance resilience and contribute to improve education achievements. The approach also aims to increase national ownership through institutional capacity strengthening. WFP has been present in Guinea since 1964.



Population: 12.7 million

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

Income Level: Low income

Chronic malnutrition: 24.4% of children between 6-59 months

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In Numbers

278 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$ 00 cash-based transfers made

US\$ 0.4 m six months (November 2019-April 2020) net funding requirements

122.686 people assisted in September 2019





Operational Updates

- A call for tender was published to select implementing partners for Smallholder Agricultural Market Support (SAMS) and food assistance for assets (FFA) activities for the period October 2019-January 2020. The Committee for the selection of cooperating partners selected eight offers from national NGOs. Field level agreements (FLAs) are being prepared and project implementation is due to start in November covering eight prefectures and a total of 5,520 SAMS and FFA beneficiaries.
- The targeting of SAMS beneficiaries for the period 2019-2022 is underway with the objective to identify 5,300 beneficiaries in alignment with the Integrated Context Analysis (ICA) and country office-specific targeting criteria (including women and youth participation and farm land holding size) - to identify villages and farmers' organizations.
- A three-year SAMS and FFA integrated project plan, aligned with the seasonal calendar and following a "smallholder graduation model" (from food insecurity to profitable market engagement), has been developed.
- Following the resumption of schools, canteens are again functional providing hot meals to children in 96 percent of the WFP assisted schools where 1,152 mt of food were delivered.
- Malnutrition treatment and prevention activities are ongoing in the regions of Labe and Kankan accompanied by focus group sessions on Social and Behavioural Change Communication (SBCC).
- WFP continues to provide assistance for the treatment of moderate acute malnutrition (MAM) for children aged 6-59 months and ARV patients along with their households in the region of Boké, Kankan, NZerekore, Labe and Conakry.

WFP Country Strategy



Interim Country Strategic Plan (2019-2022) 2019 Total Requirement (in USD) 2019 Allocated Contributions (in USD) 3ix Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD) 16.1 m 11 m 0.4 m*

*Ù6-months NFRs as of 30 October 2019.

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

- Active screening activities of MAM cases, reference and cooking demonstration with local and accessible food recipes were undertaken. This strategy aims at training carers of children affected by MAM on the preparation of fortified food recipes made from local products, best hygiene practices, use of clean water and access to other health care services.
- WFP provides financial and technical support to health centres and the community for community sensitization, culinary demonstration sessions as well as monitoring activities in health centres and in the community.
- The draft Food and Nutrition Vulnerability Analysis of people living with HIV/TB was submitted in September 2019. Its presentation and validation will take place in November 2019.

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