### **COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN REVISION**

#### REVISION

### CHINA Country Strategic Plan 2017-2021, revision 1

Gender and age marker code: 1

	Current	Change	Revised
Duration	1 Mar. 2017 – 31 Dec.	No change	1 Mar. 2017 – 31
	2021		Dec. 2021
Beneficiaries	Xxx		
Total cost	\$31,254,152	0	\$31,254,152
(USD)			
Transfer	\$22,488,941	0	\$22,488,941
Implementation	\$900,000	0	\$900,000
Direct support	\$5,941,680	0	\$5,941,680
costs			
Subtotal	29,330.621	0	29,330.621
Indirect	\$1,923,531	0	\$1,923,531
support costs			
(6.5 percent)			

#### 1. RATIONALE

- 1. In late December 2019, a novel coronavirus (known as COVID-19) was identified as the cause of a significant number of human cases of a respiratory disease in China. The outbreak was first detected in Wuhan City, which is a major domestic and international economic and transport hub in China. Although the epidemic is primarily a Public Health crisis, it has caused much broader impact on the Chinese and global economy, leading to worldwide socio- economic disruptions.
- 2. Up to 02 March 2020, the virus has caused 2,946 death in China, and more than 80,000 people affected. UN Country Team has been coordinating the immediate and medium-term responses to the COVID-19 outbreak in China, including providing immediate medical equipment and supplies as required by Chinese health facilities. The UN community, including, UNICEF, UNDP, UNFPA, UNIDO, IOM and UNOSSC, has mobilized to provide immediate support in responding to the outbreak, supporting procurement of necessary equipment most needed in the affected areas.
- 3. The Principals of Rome-based Agencies jointly wrote to the President of the People's Republic of China, His Excellency XI Jinpin to express solidarity to support China to fight against the virus. The WFP Executive Director confirmed WFP support to provide emergency and development assistance, including procurement of emergency medical equipment, providing strategic air transportation of critical items and making available WFP expertise, tools and methodology in joint assessments of the impact of COVID-19.

- 4. In order to support the strengthening of vulnerable population's capacity to respond to shocks, WFP will revise Strategic Objective 3 (Resilience building.) Contributions to the response can be used to support immediate, medium and long terms response to shocks, including COVID-19.
- 5. The revision of Strategic Outcome 3, has been designed to include the provision of relief items for the most affected and vulnerable people in order to minimize the loss of human life and destruction of livelihood. In the medium term, WFP technical expertise and tools will be leveraged to support country-led assessments of the impact of the disaster and provide support for recovery. To contribute to enhanced resilience within the population to adapt to future shocks, WFP will extend resilience activities and capacity support for vulnerable populations, through programmes that include asset creation, diversifying livelihood opportunities etc. Each element and phase is to contribute to the strengthening of people's capacity to cope with shocks and unforeseen events.
- 6. The evolving context has catalysed the revision of the WFP China CSP Strategic Objective 3. This revision will expand and augment the scope of the SO to cover wider targeted and affected population, and resort to more types of assistance to achieve the long-term resilience building outcome.

#### 2. CHANGES

# Strategic orientation

7. There is no change in strategic orientation. The SO3 narrative is being modified to align the support to the new developments, including geography, scope and beneficiary. All other SOs and activities will remain unchanged.

## Strategic outcomes

- 8. Implementation arrangements for all current SOs and Activities will remain the same. WFP will continue to monitor the situation and will update its risk register to ensure that risks related to changes in the operational environment are included.
- 9. Strategic Outcome 3 and Activities 3 are formulated as follows and will be implemented according to the arrangements detailed below:
  - SO3: Populations affected by disaster, including natural disasters in poor and disaster-prone areas are more able to withstand and respond to shocks all year round.
  - Activity 3: "Material and technical assistance on strengthening response
    mechanisms for disasters and shocks, including but not limited to humanitarian
    assistance, service provision, impact assessment and post-shock and resilient
    building in risk affected areas and technical advisory to the institutions.

- 10. <u>Targeting approach and beneficiary analysis</u>: National health facilities in the most risk-stricken areas will benefit from the provision of life-saving equipment that will enable the reliable provision of assistance to affected populations in targeted areas.
- 11. Transfer modalities: Remains Capacity Strengthening unchanged.
- 12. <u>Partnerships</u>: WFP will, under the overall coordination of UNCT, work with its window ministry, Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs, and the Ministry of Commerce, which is mandated to coordinate bilateral and multilateral assistance in response to the outbreak COVID-19 and the inter-ministry mechanism for delivering and receiving of the equipment and supplies to ensure transparency and accountability, and to ensure humanitarian aid is delivered in the most efficient and effective way possible. WFP China Office will also explore opportunities for private sector support, leveraging existing fundraising platform and mechanisms.
- 13. Country Office capacity: The Country Office (CO) has conducted an internal assessment which has found that sufficient capacity is present to conduct Activities 3, in close coordination with concerned technical divisions in Headquarters. This will be reassessed periodically to ensure that WFP maintains the capacity to continue effectively implementing its current CSP activities.
- 14. *Supply chain challenges*: There are no challenges. The Country Office has done sufficient market research to identify available stock in the local market.
- 15. *M&E*: No change.
- 16. Accountability to affected populations, protection risks, restrictions of gender and disabilities: No change.
- 17. *Proposed transition/handover strategy*: The equipment provision that WFP will provide is the first, immediate response action among a series of potential medium and long-term resilience building activities, including assessment support.
- 18. *Risk Management*: WFP will continue to ensure strong compliance with internal controls.
- 19. *Social and Environmental Safeguards*: WFP will continue to minimize and mitigate any potential negative impacts of its activities on the environment and the general population in accordance with WFP's Social and Environmental Safeguards.

#### 3. COST BREAKDOWN

20. Resilience Building Activity 3 under SO3 has no budget increase, including direct and indirect support costs.

TABLE 4: COST BREAKDOWN OF THE REVISION ONLY (USD)						
	Strategic Result X/ SDG Target X.X	xx	xx	xx	xx	Total
SDG Target 2.4	1	2	3	4	n	
Strategic outcome						
Focus area						
Transfer						
Implementation	(no figures in the grey cells)					
Direct support costs						
Subtotal						
Indirect support costs (6.5%)						

TABLE 5: OVERALL CSP/ICSP/LEO COST BREAKDOWN, AFTER REVISION (USD)						
	SR 4.					
	Food					
	systems					
	are					
	sustainable					
SDG Target 2.4	XX	XX	XX	XX	Total	
Strategic outcome	3	2	3	4	n	
Focus area	Resilience					Resilience
	Building					Building
Transfer	\$4,210,269					\$4,210,269
Implementation	\$300,000					\$300,000
Direct support	\$1,172,102					\$1,172,102
costs						
Subtotal	\$5,682,371					\$5,682,371
Indirect support	\$344,607					\$344,607
costs (6.5%)						