In Numbers

- **45,000 beneficiaries** targeted for nutrition support in 2021
- **22,020 smallholder farmers, 12 nucleus farmers and 8 aggregators** targeted for capacity strengthening and market linkages in 2021
- **USD 7 m** six months (August 2021 - January 2022) net funding requirements
- **4,591 beneficiaries** received direct food assistance through vouchers for the nutrition programme in August 2021.

Operational Updates

The visit of the WFP Regional Director from the regional Bureau of Dakar, Mr. Chris Nikoi and the farewell tour of WFP Ghana's Representative and Country Director, Ms. Rukia Yacoub took place in August. As part of the agenda, both paid a courtesy call on the Northern Regional Director of Agric; participated in and handed-over silos to selected smallholder farmers; visited a health facility and witnessed ANC (Antenatal Care) and CWC (Child Welfare), interacted with health staff and beneficiaries; visited and interacted with a DSM (Dutch states mines) retailer; as well as a medium scale food processor, all in the Sagrieri Municipality of the Northern region.

**UN Food Systems Summit:** WFP provided support in facilitating National and sub-national dialogues, particularly under action track 5-building resilience to vulnerabilities, shocks, and stress. WFP is represented in the National Technical Working Group on Food systems and continues to provide technical support in development of various documents including the government’s commitment paper, food systems transformation pathways, among others.

WFP supported the construction and installation of equipment for Songtaa Tie Taa Enterprise, a medium scale processor based on Eremon in the Lawra Municipality of the Upper West Region. In addition, two aggregator preselection workshops were organised in Tamale and Techiman. The two workshops were attended by 24 participants including 18 aggregators, three regional department of agriculture staff from Bono East and Ashanti Regions including Regional Director for Bono East and three staff from Sesi Technology.

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Main photo: Regional Directors' mission to Ghana
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Caption: Handing over of silos to MOFA.
Strategic Result 1: SR 1 – Everyone has access to food (SDG Target 2.1)

Strategic Outcome 5: Crisis-affected populations are able to meet their basic food and nutrition needs during and in the aftermath of shocks

Activities
- Provide food and nutrition assistance to crisis-affected populations including COVID-19 crisis-affected patients in containment and quarantine centres, refugees, adolescent girls to return to schools, and other vulnerable groups; General Distribution; Modality: CBT & In-kind Food)

Monitoring

Remote monitoring was conducted to follow up on food distributions. Overall, 49 distribution sites were followed up remotely via phone calls and social media (WhatsApp) to track progress of activities. Preliminary results from the CFSVA have been validated by key stakeholders in the food and nutrition sector and the final report would be launched in November 2021. Mid-Term Review of the Country Strategic Plan (CSP) is in the process with recruitment of external consultant, and this will take off between October to December 2021. Ghana and Togo CSOs are exploring the possibility of working with Centre for Technology and Economic Development (CTED) based in Kumawu, Ghana on the use of technology in promoting research and also the innovation in addressing marketing challenges using the MarketPlace mobile App.

Partnerships
- WFP in Ghana maintains an active collaboration with government partners, civil society organizations, private sector, academia, development partners and other United Nations agencies, particularly the Rome-based Agencies (FAO and IFAD), to ensure the harmonization of activities in food security and nutrition.
- WFP continues to participate in working groups in key sectors such as education, social protection, agriculture, health and nutrition. WFP also collaborates with the National Development Planning Commission on nutrition and Ghana School Feeding Programme in advocating for increased investment in school feeding, using the findings of the cost benefit analysis conducted in Ghana in 2019.
- Final assessment of selected medium-scale and community-level food processors was done jointly with the Food and Drugs Authority, Food Research institute and Women in Agriculture (a unit under the Ministry of Agriculture).
- The partnership with UNICEF on Adolescent Girls’ Nutrition Intervention towards addressing the triple burden of malnutrition targeting out of school adolescents is ongoing.

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