In Numbers

- **5.5mt** of food assistance distributed.
- **USD 3.0 m** six months (February – July 2022) net funding requirements.
- **14,527** people assisted in January 2022.

Operational Updates

- The overall security situation in Côte d'Ivoire remains calm but unpredictable.
- The insecurity in neighbouring Burkina Faso forced 2,790 Burkinabé into the northern region of Côte d'Ivoire in the reporting month, pushing the total number of Burkinabé refugees to 6,012 people. Initial assistance was provided by UNHCR (shelter kits and basic non-food items), UNICEF (water purifiers) Caritas and IRC. The Ministry of Defence has also distributed food commodities (rice 50mt and sugar, oil and tomato cans). A joint assessment mission recommended WFP intervention to assist 10,000 people.
- During the month, the School Canteen Directorate (DCS) dispatched 1,425mt of commodities to WFP-supported schools in 7 regions. As a result, 5.52mt of assorted food commodities were utilized as hot meals benefitting 14,527 students out of which 48 percent are girls. Because of the late deliveries, some schools were unable to resume their canteen activities in January.
- WFP and UNICEF participated in a workshop organized by the Ministry of Health to define a roadmap for Emergency Nutrition (EN) preparedness and response. The main focus was on the simplified malnutrition management protocol, with experiences shared by Burkina Faso and Senegal.
- WFP supply Chain organized an online training for 45 government counterparts on preparatory emergency medical logistics to strengthen capacity for future pandemic outbreaks. As an outcome, WFP and Nouvelle Pharmacie de la Santé Publique decided to extend the current Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), while discussing the way forward to strengthen emergency preparedness and sign a new MoU.
- To address water scarcity in the northern region, WFP initiated an irrigation programme, by installing 6 solar-powered submersible pumps and 48 solar panels, to pump water from 6 drilled water reservoirs in 5 communities. These pumps will allow for the irrigation of about 25 acres, with the aim of increasing the production around the schools enrolled in school feeding.
WFP Country Strategy

**Country Strategic Plan (2019-2023)**

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**Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food**

**Strategic Outcome 1:** Primary-school-age children and their households in food-insecure areas have access to adequate nutritious food all year

**Focus area:** Root causes

**Activities:**

Provide school meals, take-home rations complementary services to primary-school-age children during the school year and promote the purchase of locally produced food for school meals and initiative of rice fortification project.

**Strategic Outcome 2:** Populations affected by shocks have access to food to cover their basic food and nutritional needs during and in the aftermath of shocks

**Focus area:** Crisis response

**Activities:**

Provide an integrated assistance package to affected populations, including food assistance, SBCC and specialized nutritious food to children aged 6-59 months, pregnant and lactating women and girls and people living with HIV, to improve access to food and prevent malnutrition.

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

**Strategic Outcome 3:** Vulnerable food-insecure populations in targeted areas – particularly children, women of child-bearing age and people living with HIV – have improved nutritional status by 2023

**Focus area:** Root causes

**Activities:**

Support the implementation of the national nutrition programme, with a focus on the development and implementation of a gender-responsive social behaviour change communication strategy; the implementation of the national strategy for the fortification of regularly consumed staples; enhancement of the primary education curriculum to include nutrition; and the generation of evidence on the activities in the national multisectoral nutrition plan.

**Strategic Result 4: Sustainable food systems**

**Strategic Outcome 4:** Targeted populations and communities have stronger livelihoods, are more resilient to climate and other shocks, and benefit from more efficient and equitable value chains and sustainable food systems by 2023

**Focus area:** Resilience building

**Activities:**

Provide an integrated and gender-transformative assistance package to smallholder farmers, especially women's farmer groups, comprising training on good agricultural practices, equipment, and social behaviour change communication-related activities that place value on local agricultural potential, asset creation, and targeted food assistance; and provide technical support for generating evidence to inform the scale-up of farmer groups' activities.

**Strategic Result 5: Countries strengthened capacities**

**Strategic Outcome 5:** National institutions have strengthened their capacity to better target and manage food security, nutrition, and social protection programmes by 2023

**Focus area:** Root causes

**Activities Outcome 5**

Provide technical support to national partners in their efforts to address school feeding, food security, nutrition, social protection and emergency preparedness and response.

- WFP and Active Ways Consulting (AWC) company signed an agreement to conduct a market survey on market capacity to supply beans and to understand seasonal prices of beans. This exercise will help WFP's planning of local purchase of beans for the school canteens. Data collection is expected to start in February.
- To address the impact of terrorist attacks on people living in the North of Côte d’Ivoire, the Prime Minister of Côte d’Ivoire, in the presence of the UN Resident Coordinator, launched a special emergency programme for improving the livelihood of vulnerable people in the areas. The programme will benefit 19,812 young people through labour-intensive work, apprenticeship and driving training programs.

**Challenges**

- WFP faced delays in distributing food in school canteens, due to the registration of partners not being finalized.
- The CO has no stock nor funding under its emergency pillars and is therefore not able to provide any kind of assistance to the Burkinabe refugees, despite the current recommendation from the January joint mission to assist 10,000 people. WFP needs an immediate USD 1.5 million to address the needs of 20,000 vulnerable refugees and hosting families in the northern country.
- Funding challenges may result in failure for WFP to deliver on its commitment toward sustainability and local sourcing of school feeding to complement the McGovern Dole funding. An estimated USD 800,000 is needed to fill the gap and initiate the complementary activities planned.

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