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COUNTRY CONTEXT

- Population: 9.45 million
- COVID-19 pandemic had impact on poverty
- Food insecurity decreased, but access to food remains unequal

COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN focused on six strategic outcomes

1. Adequate access to food for school children through home-grown school meals
2. Reduced levels of stunting and micronutrient deficiencies for vulnerable groups
3. Improved resilience to shocks for smallholder farmers
4. Access to food for disaster-affected households
5. Strengthened capacity of government and partners to achieve SDG 2
6. Service provision to enable rapid response to emergencies

EVALUATION

- From USD 116.7 million in 2018 to USD 265.2 million in 2021 CSP budget

CONCLUSIONS

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. WFP should expand its role in public policy advocacy by developing an advocacy strategy
2. Strengthen the integration of activities in addressing the triple nexus, with focus on a gender transformative approach
3. Prioritize and strengthen monitoring of the CSP as a tool for follow-up, strategic management, accountability and advocacy
4. Design and implement a resource mobilization strategy with a focus on the triple nexus and an emphasis on gender transformation