In Numbers

4.8 million people assisted

USD 3.7 million cash-based transfers provided

USD 575 million (January 2021 - June 2022) net funding requirements

46,141 mt of food assistance distributed

Operational Updates

- In December, WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to 3.7 million people, including those affected by drought and floods, internally displaced persons (IDPs), refugees and malnourished women and children. WFP continued to provide life-saving assistance in conflict-affected Northern Ethiopia.

Relief
- In the Tigray Region, WFP continued to deliver emergency food assistance to 307,802 people. In the Afar and Amhara Regions, WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to 227,277 (refugees?) and 225,433 internally displaced persons (IDPs) and food insecure people in host communities in December.
- In the Somali Region, WFP continued to provide food assistance to IDPs, and people affected by climate shocks in December. WFP assisted 1.73 million people with 21,200 mt of food and cash-based transfers (CBT) valued at USD 1.42 million in December.

Nutrition
- In December, WFP provided treatment of moderate acute malnutrition and prevention of wasting to 962,900 children aged 6 to 59 months, as well as pregnant and lactating women and girls (PLWG) through distribution of 4,300 mt of specialized nutritious foods under targeted supplementary feeding (TSF) and blanket supplementary feeding (BSF) activities.

Support to Refugees
- WFP supported 680,050 refugees with 7,370 mt of in-kind food assistance and USD 422,100 CBT in 24 refugee camps across Ethiopia in December.

School Feeding
- In December, WFP’s on-site school feeding activities reached 108,700 school children with 295 mt of food. Supporting local livelihoods, WFP supported 52,106 children through its home-grown school feeding initiative.

Fresh Food Vouchers (FFV)
- The FFV Programme supports households with PLWG and children under the age of two to access fresh food and improve their dietary diversity. In December, conflict and insecurity in the Afar and Amhara Regions hampered WFP’s FFV access – halting the programme for 16,000 households.

Livelihoods
- To strengthen the livelihoods of communities, WFP supported over 54,625 people through trainings on village savings and loan associations and other livelihood strengthening activities. Among these trainings, 12 sessions were held on social-cohesion and peacebuilding messages.
Activities:
- Provide unconditional, nutrition-sensitive, cash-based and in-kind food assistance to crisis-affected populations and transitory clients of the Productive Safety Net Programme.
- Support treatment and prevention of acute malnutrition for crisis-affected children under 5 and PLWG.
- Provide unconditional, nutrition-sensitive, cash-based and in-kind food assistance, school feeding and nutrition support to refugees.

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Shock-affected populations in targeted areas and refugees in camps are able to meet their basic food and nutrition needs throughout the year.

Activities:
- Provide safe, nutritious and reliable daily meals to primary school children and support to the Ministries and Bureaus of Education and Agriculture in scaling up nutrition-sensitive school feeding programmes.
- Provide nutrition-sensitive social protection, climate risk management services and capacity strengthening support for smallholder farmers, pastoralists, refugees and returnees most vulnerable to climate shocks.

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 2: Vulnerable and food-insecure populations in targeted areas have increased resilience to shocks by 2025.

Activities:
- Provide climate-sensitive cash-based food transfers to PLWG and children aged 6-23 months, SBCC to communities, training to outreach workers and capacity strengthening to the private sector and Government to contribute to national and regional efforts to reduce stunting and prevent all other forms of malnutrition.

Strategic Result 2: No one suffers from malnutrition

Strategic Outcome 3: Nutritionaly vulnerable populations in targeted areas have an improved consumption of high-quality, nutrient-dense foods to prevent all forms of malnutrition through June 2025.

Activities:
- Provide advisory and technical services to federal and regional government and the private sector for strengthening food assistance delivery platforms and national and regional systems, including social safety nets programme management, early warning and emergency preparedness systems, and supply chain solutions and management.

Strategic Result 5: Developing countries have strengthened capacities to implement the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Strategic Outcome 4: Federal and regional government institutions, the private sector and local NGOs benefit from capacity strengthening in the areas of early warning and emergency preparedness systems, safety nets programme design and implementation and supply chain management through June 2025.

Activities:
- Provide aviation and air operation services to government and humanitarian actors.
- Provide supply chain services to government and humanitarian partners.
- Provide coordination and logistics services to the humanitarian community through the Logistics Cluster.
- Provide on-demand food procurement services.
- Provide coordination and ICT services to humanitarian partners through the Emergency Telecommunications Cluster to government and humanitarian partners.

Climate Risk Management
- To mitigate risks associated with desert locust invasion, flooding and other climate shocks, WFP assisted 141,485 beneficiaries in the Somali Region through the Satellite Index Insurance for Pastoralists in Ethiopia project, which provides livestock insurance and greater protection to pastoralists.

Supply chain
- WFP transported over 88,900 mt of food into Tigray in December 2020. As part of WFP Service Provision to Ethiopian Disaster Risk Management Commission (EDRMC) and JEOP, WFP transported 70,900 mt and 1,300 mt respectively into designated locations in the Tigray Region.
- In December, 25 convoys departed Gondar to 17 locations in the Amhara region carrying over 5,895 mt of relief food and over 1,030 mt of nutrition food.
- As part of the COVID-19 response, the Addis Ababa Humanitarian Air Hub successfully delivered over 2,378 m³ of humanitarian cargo to 53 countries in Africa.
- Throughout December, the Logistics Cluster received 1,885 m³ of humanitarian cargo from seven partners for storage at the warehouses. As of 31 December, 18 partners kept 3,953 m³ of humanitarian cargo at the Logistics Cluster-facilitated warehouses.

Accountability to Affected Populations
- In December, WFP conducted community sensitisation on complaint feedback mechanisms and protection issues to beneficiaries in Oromia, Sidama and Somali regions. Trainings were also provided to partners and WFP staff on accountability to affected populations.

Cross-border Assistance to South Sudan
- WFP in Ethiopia continued to support WFP’s operations in South Sudan through river, road and airdrop deliveries. However as of 01 November, airdrop operations have been suspended until the end of 2021.

United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS)
- In December, UNHAS transported 13,700 kg of light humanitarian cargo and 553 passengers within Ethiopia.

Challenges
- Insecurity in the Afar, Amhara and Tigray Regions continued to present a significant challenge to humanitarian activities. WFP continued to engage and coordinate with Federal and Regional authorities to request safe access to continue its operations. A multitude of barriers have prevented the free flow of humanitarian aid. The COVID-19 also continues to impact WFP’s operations as preventative measures such as physical distancing, handwashing and mask-wearing were taken to ensure the safe continuity of activities.

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