Operational Updates

- In May, WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to 47,429 people, including refugees, asylum seekers, migrants, and vulnerable Djiboutian households in rural and urban areas, through unconditional in-kind and cash-based transfers (CBT) to meet their immediate food needs.

General food assistance:

- WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to 19,235 refugees in all three refugee settlements in Djibouti (Ali Addeh, Hol Hol and Markazi).

- A total of 334 people, with at least one family member living with HIV, received food assistance for the first time through SCOPE cards instead of paper vouchers with a transfer value of DJF 10,000 (USD 56).

- COVID-19 response: WFP, in collaboration with the Ministry of Social Affairs and Solidarities (MASS), provided food assistance to vulnerable Djiboutian households affected by the lingering impact of COVID-19 in the following areas:
  - 13,200 beneficiaries in urban areas and 2,160 in county towns received food assistance through e-vouchers (SCOPE cards)
  - 12,500 beneficiaries in rural areas received in-kind food assistance

Food assistance for assets:

- WFP in partnership with Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), is supporting participants to optimize agricultural perimeters. A total of 158 participants from five regions (Tadjourah, Arta, Dikhil, Obock and Ali Sabieh) are working to improve agricultural production on their lands. In June, WFP distributed SCOPE cards to project participants to enable restricted cash transfers. The participant can redeem the e-voucher through the WFP contracted retailers.
Capacity building

- 20 participants are in the final phase of their traineeship in masonry in April at the technical school in Tadjourah. In addition to that, 100 participants from regional technical schools in Obock, Dikhil et Ali Sabieh and Djibouti city finalized their traineeship in installation of solar panels. 20 refugees started their forklift traineeship at the WFP Humanitarian Logistics Base (HLB). 10 trainers were trained at the Ministry of Education Logistic Center and the WFP HLB for two weeks. The supply chain management curricula were revised and validated by the Ministry of Education and Vocational Trainings and 18 supply chain companies at a workshop. 400 participants will be using the renewed curricula during the school year 2022-2023.

Monitoring

- Market price: compared to April 2022, the prices of wheat flour, sugar and pasta remained stable in May in the interior regions of Djibouti. Imported rice prices increased by 7 percent, particularly in Arta where the prices increased by 25 percent. The price of vegetable oil increased by 6 percent. The increase was greater, between 14 percent and 18 percent, in Tadjourah and Dikhil for these commodities.
- In Djibouti City, the prices of basic foodstuffs increased (pasta by 13 percent, imported rice by 18 percent, wheat flour by 21 percent). Regarding other commodities, the price of vegetable oil fell by 25 percent and returned to the same level as in October 2021 (360 FDJ per liter) while the price of sugar increased by 8 percent.

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