

COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN REVISION

REVISION

Pacific interim multi-country strategic plan (iMCSP), revision 06

Gender and age marker code: 3

	Current	Change	Revised
Duration	1 July 2019 – 31 December 2022	6 month extension	1 July 2019 – 30 June 2023
Beneficiaries	---	---	---
Total cost (USD)	28 174 508	3 209 176	31 383 684
Transfer	22 189 059	1 223 395	23 412 454
Implementation	1 704 986	854 403	2 559 389
Direct Support Costs	2 637 260	959 445	3 596 705
Sub-total	26 531 305	3 037 243	29 568 549
Indirect Support Costs	1 643 203	171 933	1 815 135

1. RATIONALE

1. This budget revision extends the interim multi-country strategic plan (iMCSP) by 6 months, until June 2023, to align with the overall United Nations strategic planning process in the Pacific and aligns budgets with intended interventions under Activities 1, 3 and 5. In addition, this revision will reprioritize resources under Strategic Outcome 2 (Activity 5) and Strategic Outcome 1 (Activity 3) to reflect a decrease in demand for the Pacific Humanitarian Air Service (PHAS) and increase resources to scale up the analysis of the global food crisis impacts on food security and livelihoods.
2. The Ukraine-Russian Federation conflict and the global food crisis have had a notable adverse economic and social impact on the Pacific region, as import dependence and remoteness compounded commodity price shocks. The region is also coming out of two years of restrictions on travel and movements due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with subsequent economic contraction and reduced employment and livelihood opportunities. Other shocks in the region such as the volcanic eruption in Tonga in January 2022 and an ongoing drought linked to the current La Niña phase further affect livelihoods and food security.
3. This budget revision will cover a period of 10 months, from September 2022 to June 2023.

2. CHANGES

Strategic orientation

4. This revision does not change the strategic orientation of the iMCSP.
5. There have been five previous revisions to the iMCSP:
 - Revision 1, approved by the Regional Director in May 2020, added a strategic outcome focused on crisis response (Strategic Outcome 2) and a new activity (Activity 5) for provision of air services. It increased the budget by USD 10,419,406.

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- Revision 2, approved by the Country Director in July 2020, added Activity 6 for provision of on-demand services in response to Cyclone Harold and accommodated a budget increase for food security monitoring (Activity 3). It increased the budget by USD 1,737,370.
 - Revision 3, approved by the Country Director in December 2020, extended PHAS into 2021 and reduced the budget by USD 47,370.
 - Revision 4, approved by the Country Director in December 2021, extended the iMCSP by six months to better align with long-term United Nations' planning and adjusted the budgets of Activities 3, 4 and 5. It increased the budget by USD 2,617,387.
 - Revision 5, approved by the Country Director in April 2022, increased the budget by USD 522,500 under Activity 6 (on-demand service provision) under Strategic Outcome 2 to accommodate the procurement and transport of food in support of government and humanitarian partners.

Strategic outcomes

6. This revision increases the budget under Strategic Outcome 1 (Activity 3) to accommodate the scale-up of vulnerability data monitoring and analysis in the Pacific Island countries of Solomon Islands, Tuvalu and the Republic of Marshall Islands, in response to the global food crisis. This will bring the total number of monitored countries to eight in the region, with MVAM data collection in Fiji, Vanuatu, Samoa, Tonga and Kiribati already in place. Building on its comparative advantage in vulnerability data analysis, WFP will increase the scale and scope of current analysis, particularly for mobile data food security and livelihoods assessments, to generate accurate and high-quality evidence on the impact of the global food crisis in the region. The increase in budget for activity 3 will also include support to strengthen WFP's co-leadership of the food security and nutrition cluster and Pacific regional cash working group.
7. WFP has supported governments in the region in strengthening their response to recent natural disasters and continues to provide humanitarian air services through the PHAS when commercial options are not yet feasible. Commercial air travel in the region is opening up, thereby decreasing demand for this service. This revision reduces the planned budget for Activity 5 accordingly.
8. The United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (2023-2027) formulation process has been underway since 2021. The cooperation framework is currently expected to be finalised by late 2022. The extension of the current iMCSP will allow WFP to conduct necessary formulation and consultation exercises to ensure alignment with the cooperation framework as well as enhanced coordination with other United Nations agencies that are currently developing their strategic approaches and implementation plans.
9. *Partnerships.* WFP will coordinate with the national counterparts in the Pacific Island countries (ministries of agriculture and bureaux of statistics, among others) as well as humanitarian and development partners to identify complementarities and enhance coordination and information sharing with regard to the evidence generated on the food security and nutrition dynamics in the Pacific.
10. *Proposed transition/handover strategy.* There is no change in the proposed strategy for transition/handover under this budget revision. With the exception of service delivery

activities, WFP's work in the Pacific aims to strengthen existing systems and tools for preparedness and response.

11. *Risk management.* No additional risks have been identified linked to this budget revision. WFP will continue to monitor and review the risk environment with reference to WFP's risk management framework.

Beneficiary analysis

12. The Pacific iMCSP does not foresee any direct assistance in the form of food or cash to beneficiaries.

3. COST BREAKDOWN

TABLE 4: COST BREAKDOWN OF THE REVISION ONLY (USD)			
	Strategic Result 5/ SDG Target 17.9	Strategic Result 8/ SDG Target 17.16	Total
Strategic outcome	1	2	
Focus area	Resilience Building	Crisis Response	
Transfer	1 858 982	- 635 587	1 223 395
Implementation	841 553	12 850	854 403
Direct support costs			959 445
Subtotal			3 037 243
Indirect support costs			171 933
TOTAL			3 209 176

OVERALL CSP COST BREAKDOWN, FOLLOWING THE REVISION (USD)			
	Strategic Result 5/ SDG Target 17.9	Strategic Result 8/ SDG Target 17.16	Total
Strategic outcome	1	2	
Focus area	Resilience Building	Crisis Response	
Transfer	13 891 222	9 521 232	23 412 454
Implementation	2 190 099	369 290	2 559 389
Direct support costs	2 387 948	1 208 757	3 596 705
Subtotal	18 469 269	11 099 279	29 568 549
Indirect support costs	1 200 503	614 633	1 815 135
TOTAL	19 669 772	11 713 912	31 383 684