

COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN REVISION**Philippines country strategic plan, revision 9**

Gender and age marker code: 3

	Current	Change	Revised
Duration	1 July 2018 – 30 June 30 2023	<i>6-months extension</i>	1 July 2018 – 31 December 2023
Beneficiaries	1,168,150	279,770	1,447,920
Total cost (USD)	93,935,878	21,921,328	115,857,206
Transfer	69,721,051	16,612,417	86,333,468
Implementation	11,495,852	2,397,355	13,893,207
Direct support costs	6,985,799	1,573,635	8,559,434
Subtotal	88,202,702	20,583,407	108,786,109
Indirect support costs	5,733,176	1,337,921	7,071,097

1. RATIONALE

1. The main purpose of the budget revision is to extend the current country strategic plan (CSP) until December 2023 in order to align the start date of the subsequent CSP with the start date of the United Nations sustainable development cooperation framework for the Philippines (2024-2028).
2. Moreover, this revision will include contingency in-kind and cash-based transfer (CBT) support for crisis response activities under strategic outcome 1 to allow rapid response in case of shocks exceeding the Government's response capacity. The food security and nutrition situation in the Philippines has been affected by the impact of the global food and energy crisis that commenced in 2022. Headline inflation surged to 8.7 percent in January 2023, the highest rate recorded since November 2008. Malnutrition is widespread, with stunting affecting 27 percent of children under 5 and 20 percent of children 5-10 years in 2021.¹ In Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, up to 45 percent of children under 5 are stunted.² The agricultural sector is also affected by frequent shocks and low productivity, which hinder the availability of and access to food.
3. This extension of the existing CSP will also align the budget with planned interventions under strategic outcomes 2 and 3, including the implementation of a social and behaviour change communication (SBCC) strategy and action plan, in partnership with the Ministry of Health in Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao and the National Nutrition Council, and the launch of a pilot voucher programme with an SBCC component targeting pregnant and lactating women and children under 5. This pilot, which will be implemented in collaboration with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of the Philippines, aims to strengthen the Government's social protection strategy. Finally, it will enable to leverage WFP capabilities in capacity strengthening by supporting the Government on the Philippine Multisectoral Nutrition Programme.

¹ Preliminary results from the Expanded National Nutrition Survey (ENNS) conducted in 2021.

² Department of Science and Technology - Food and Nutrition Research Institute (DOST-FNRI). 2016. *Philippine Nutrition Facts and Figures 2015: Updating of Nutritional Status of Filipino Children and Other Population Groups Overview*.

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4. Under strategic outcome 4, WFP will increase the budget related to government capacity-strengthening activities for emergency preparedness, climate change actions, logistics and emergency telecommunications.

2. CHANGES

Strategic orientation

5. This revision does not change the strategic orientation of the CSP.
6. There have been eight revisions to this CSP:
 - Revision 1, approved by the country director in August 2018, increased the budget by USD 7,667,295 and allowed the CSP to absorb resources for relief and recovery operations;
 - Revision 2 was a corporate-led technical revision designed to simplify the budget;
 - Revision 3, approved by the country director in April 2019, increased the budget by USD 1,754,109 for the emergency response in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao;
 - Revision 4, approved by the Executive Director in January 2020, increased the budget by USD 8,571,565 under activities 1, 3 and 5;
 - Revision 5, approved by the country director in September 2020, decreased the budget by USD 4,052,959 and reflected a shift from direct delivery to capacity strengthening;
 - Revision 6, approved by the country director in December 2020, increased the budget by USD 1,966,038 for emergency response;
 - Revision 7, approved by the regional director in December 2021, increased the budget by USD 12,060,337 for crisis response and resilience-building activities;
 - Revision 8, approved by the regional director in March 2022, increased the budget by USD 33,319,770 to scale up crisis response following Typhoon Rai.

Strategic outcomes

7. *Under Strategic Outcome 1*, WFP will maintain its operational capacity to augment national capacity through the provision of food assistance in response to shocks requiring an emergency response. As part of the United Nations Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) anticipatory action pilot project, WFP will provide cash assistance to 125,000 beneficiaries in areas with a high risk of typhoons.
8. WFP will reintroduce in-kind and cash-based transfer modalities in its relief assistance package. Based on market functionality, security concerns, and beneficiaries' preferences, WFP will provide multi-purpose cash or in-kind food in the emergency-response phase, and conditional cash in the early-recovery phase.³ Groups at higher risk of food insecurity, especially pregnant and lactating women and children under 5, will receive value vouchers of USD 50 as a top-up of cash or in-kind rations at every distribution cycle.
9. *Under Strategic Outcome 2*, in collaboration with ADB and national counterparts, WFP will implement a small-scale pilot project in selected areas to promote consumption of nutritious food by young mothers and their children during the first 1,000 days of their children's lives. Food vouchers will be provided to beneficiaries for exchange for food commodities at

³ Targeting criteria for households receiving conditional cash may include: damaged house; loss of livelihood, productive assets, harvest, property, equipment; poverty level or earning/income below minimum wage; single female-headed households; poor farmers or fisherfolk; household with senior citizen members and/or person with disability.

programme-affiliated retailers. WFP is also scaling up the implementation of SBCC strategies and action plans across its programme activities.

10. *Under Strategic Outcome 3*, under the auspices of the Food Security Taskforce of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Government, WFP will assist smallholders to build community assets through food for assets interventions and support their market integration through postharvest and value chain activities, including linkages with the Government’s school feeding programme. WFP’s digital application Farm2Go will be used to improve farmers’ market access.
11. In 2023, WFP will start producing a nutritious bar made from local, climate-friendly crops in Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, to enhance nutrition and support sustainable livelihoods.⁴
12. *Under Strategic Outcome 4*, building on WFP’s experience of climate services, WFP will support the Government with the development of last-mile climate services and strengthen food-insecure communities’ capacity to adapt their livelihood to climate variability.
13. WFP will work with national counterparts to expand emergency preparedness activities. These will focus primarily on enhancing humanitarian supply chain preparedness and on strengthening government agencies’ capacities to manage emergency preparedness and response at national and sub-national levels.
14. *Partnerships*: WFP will strengthen its strategic engagement with ADB and the World Bank. It will enhance collaborations with United Nations agencies and work closely with local non-governmental and grassroots organizations. WFP is expanding its collaboration with financial service providers to diversify service provision, expand geographic coverage and reduce transfer costs. Additional food suppliers will be identified to improve diversification and timeliness in emergency response.
15. *Monitoring and evaluation*: No change in WFP monitoring and evaluation plan is envisaged.
16. *Protection and Accountability to Affected Populations*: WFP employs a conflict-sensitive, people-centred approach. It will support the Government of Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao in monitoring how their programmes are contributing to social cohesion and peace building, using the newly-developed PRIME (Population Risk Indicator Measurement and Engagement) methodology.
17. *Risk Management*: The launch of Nutri-bar may constitute a strategic risk for WFP. WFP will ensure alignment with food safety and quality requirement and verify acceptability.

Beneficiary analysis

TABLE 1: DIRECT BENEFICIARIES BY STRATEGIC OUTCOME, ACTIVITY & MODALITY									
Strategic Outcome	Activity	Sub-Activity	Modality	Period	Women	Men	Girls	Boys	Total
					(18+ years)	(18+ years)	(0-18 years)	(0-18 years)	
SO1	Activity 1	URT_GD General	In-Kind	Current	93,930	55,752	93,930	59,388	303,000
				Increase/decrease	15,500	15,500	9,200	9,800	50,000

⁴ WFP Philippines’ project ‘Nutribar’ was selected under the 2022 Innovation Challenge launched by WFP’s Innovation Accelerator. A 60,000 USD funding envelope was made available to support its launch.

		distributio n	Cash	Revised	109,430	71,252	103,130	69,188	353,000
				Current	165,938	98,493	165,938	104,916	535,285
				Increase/dec rease	31,000	31,000	18,400	19,600	100,000
			Capacity Strengthening	Revised	196,938	129,493	184,338	124,516	635,285
				Current	37,415	38,585			76,000
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_FBA	Cash	Revised	37,415	38,585			76,000
				Current	38,750	38,750	23,000	24,500	125,000
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_MA M Supplemen tary feeding PLWG	In-Kind	Revised	38,750	38,750	23,000	24,500	125,000
				Current	2,621		379		3,000
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_MA M Supplemen tary feeding children aged 6-59 mos.	In-Kind	Revised	2,621		379		3,000
				Current	-	-	580	620	1,200
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_MA M Supplemen tary feeding children aged 6-59 mos.	In-Kind	Revised	-	-	580	620	1,200
				Current	-	-	3,912	4,188	8,100
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_PRE V Supplemen tary feeding children aged 6-23 mos.	In-Kind	Revised	-	-	3,912	4,188	8,100
				Current	-	-	26,625	23,375	50,000
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_SF_ ONS School- based feeding	In-Kind	Revised	-	-	26,625	23,375	50,000
				Current	7,750	7,750	4,600	4,900	25,000
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
		URT_FFA Asset creation	In-Kind	Revised	7,750	7,750	4,600	4,900	25,000
				Current	74,599	74,599	44,277	47,165	240,640
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
Cash	Revised		74,599	74,599	44,277	47,165	240,640		
	Current		18,707	19,293			38,000		
	Increase/dec rease		-	-	-	-	-		
Capacity Strengthening	Revised		18,707	19,293			38,000		
	Current		6,998		1,002		8,000		
	Increase/dec rease		-	-	-	-	-		
SO2	Activ ity 2	CSI_STU N Supplemen tary feeding PLWG	In-Kind	Revised	6,998		1,002		8,000
				Current	-	-	-	-	-
				Increase/dec rease	6,998		1,002		8,000
		CSI_STU N Supplemen tary feeding	In-Kind	Revised	-	-	-	-	-
				Current	-	-	5,794	6,206	12,000
				Increase/dec rease	-	-	-	-	-
Revised	-	-	5,794	6,206	12,000				

		children aged 6-23 mos.															
		CSI_PRE V Prevention of acute malnutrition PLWG	Cash	Current													
				Increase/decrease		2,700	-	300	-	3,000							
				Revised		2,700	-	300	-	3,000							
			Capacity Strengthening	Current													
				Increase/decrease		8,117	2,736	866	281	12,000							
				Revised		8,117	2,736	866	281	12,000							
SO3	Activity 3	CSI_SF_ONS School-based feeding	In-Kind	Current		-	-	22,415	22,585	45,000							
				Increase/decrease		-	-	-	-	-							
				Revised				22,415	22,585	45,000							
		CSI_FFA Asset creation	In-Kind	Current		15,019	14,988	14,271	15,108	59,386							
				Increase/decrease		20,088	20,088	11,924	12,700	64,800							
				Revised		35,107	35,076	26,195	27,808	124,186							
			Cash	Current		19,853	19,813	18,864	19,970	78,500							
				Increase/decrease		15,500	15,500	9,200	9,800	50,000							
				Revised		35,353	35,313	28,064	29,770	128,500							
		Capacity Strengthening	Current		3,699	3,801			7,500								
			Increase/decrease		2,915	2,974	132	139	6,160								
			Revised		6,614	6,775	132	139	13,660								
		TOTAL				Current		389,807	298,803	380,119	310,383	1,379,112					
						Current Adjusted		269,034	259,986	314,721	324,409	1,168,150					
Increase/decrease						92,105	86,781	49,161	51,723	279,770							
Revised						361,139	346,767	363,882	376,132	1,447,920							

Transfers

TABLE 2: FOOD RATION (g/person/day) or CASH-BASED TRANSFER VALUE (US\$/person/day) BY STRATEGIC OUTCOME AND ACTIVITY															
Strategic Outcome	SO1								SO2			SO3			
Activity	Activity 1								Activity 2			Activity 3			
Activity Tag	URT_GD		URT_FB A	URT_MA M	URT_MA M	URT_PRE V	URT_SF_ON S	URT_FFA	CSI-ST UN	CSI-ST UN	PREV	CSI_SF_ON S	CSI_FFA		
Beneficiary Type	All		All	Children	PLW	Children	Children	All	Children	PLW	PLW	Students	All		
Modality	CBT	Food	CBT	Food	Food	Food	Food	CBT	Food	Food	Food	Food	CBT	Food	Food
Cereals & Grains	Rice	333					150		333			150			405
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Mixed & Blended Foods	Nutributer								20	50					
	Supplementary Plumpy			92	92	46									
	Supplementary Plumpy				100	50									
Oils & Fats		49									10				

	Vegetable Oil - Canola															
Pulses & Vegetables	Beans - Mung												20			
Miscellaneous	Salt - Iodized		13													
total kcal/day			1,199		500	500	250	540		1,199	108	275		540		1,199
% kcal from protein			8		10	10	10	8		8	10	10		8		8
% kcal from fat			1		55	55	55	1		1	59	56		1		1
cash (US\$/person/day)		0.27		0.39					0.27							0.27
		0.53		0.55					0.38				0.33			0.33
		0.38														
		0.39														
		0.75														
Number of feeding days/year		360	180	60	240	240	240	140	90	180	720	720		260	278	360

	Current budget		Increase		Revised budget	
	Total (mt)	Total (USD)	Total (mt)	Total (USD)	Total (mt)	Total (USD)
Cereals	12,142	7,399,754	2,944	1,818,937	15,086	9,218,691
Pulses	54	69,120	140	281,402	194	350,522
Oil and Fats	18	15,084	74	149,406	92	164,490
Mixed and blended foods	664	2,058,276	-	0	664	2,058,276
Other (iodized Salt)	0	0	20	12,201	20	12,201
TOTAL (food)	12,878	9,542,234	3,178	2,261,946	16,056	11,804,179
Cash-based transfers (USD)		27,288,017		6,775,000		34,063,017
TOTAL (food and CBT value – USD)	12,878	36,830,251	3,178	9,036,946	16,056	45,867,196

3. COST BREAKDOWN

SDG targets/WFP Strategic outcomes	SDG Target 2.1 - WFP Strategic Outcome 1	SDG Target 2.2 - WFP Strategic Outcome 2	SDG Target 17.9 - WFP Strategic Outcome 4	SDG Target 17.9 - WFP Strategic Outcome 4	TOTAL
CSP Outcomes	01	02	03	04	
Focus Area	Crisis Response	Root Causes	Resilience Building	Resilience Building	
Transfer	6,664,998	1,074,154	5,569,641	3,303,624	16,612,417
Implementation	678,009	162,979	799,005	757,362	2,397,355
Direct support costs					1,573,635
Subtotal					20,583,407
Indirect support costs					1,337,021
TOTAL					21,921,328

OVERALL CSP COST BREAKDOWN, FOLLOWING THE REVISION (USD)

SDG targets/ WFP Strategic outcomes	SDG Target 2.1 - WFP Strategic Outcome 1	SDG Target 2.2 - WFP Strategic Outcome 2	SDG Target 17.9 - WFP Strategic Outcome 4	SDG Target 17.9 - WFP Strategic Outcome 4	TOTAL
CSP Outcomes	01	02	03	04	
Focus Area	Crisis Response	Root Causes	Resilience Building	Resilience Building	
Transfer	45,874,311	4,175,751	16,747,408	19,535,997	
Implementation	4,433,471	884,405	3,408,005	5,167,325	13,893,207
Direct support costs	3,730,858	566,719	1,979,670	2,282,188	8,559,434
Subtotal	54,038,641	5,626,875	22,135,083	26,985,510	108,786,109
Indirect support costs	3,512,512	365,747	1,438,780	1,754,058	7,071,197
TOTAL	57,551,153	5,992,622	23,573,863	28,739,569	115,857,206