



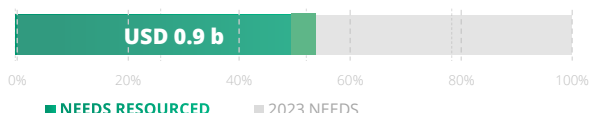
WFP Ethiopia INTERNAL SITUATION REPORT

20-26 November 2023

NEEDS RESOURCED (2023)

AS OF AUGUST 2023

USD 1.74 b



PEOPLE REACHED (2023) AS OF 31 AUGUST 2023

ALL CSP ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR AUGUST

1 m people



Humanitarian Situation Overview



There are **15.4 million** people in need of emergency food assistance for the second half of 2023.



WFP and other partners are planning to assist **9.1 million** acute food insecure people for the fourth quarter of 2023 (October to December) of which **3.6 million** are Internally Displaced People.



Photo of the week



Hube Ibrahim harvesting onion at Kobe irrigation scheme, Somali region @WFP/Michael Tewelde

Highlights

- WFP has prepared for the resumption of relief operations and aims to commence distribution in the December cycle.
- In Somali region, the second wave of floods hit Dollo Ado, covering areas that had remained dry during the first flooding. These floods have caused even more restricted access.

SITUATION UPDATES

Security

- In Somali, 12 boxes of nutritious food and seven bags of wheat were looted from a WFP truck that was transporting food from Jigjiga to refugee camps in Dollo Ado. The incident occurred while the truck was stranded in the Hargella *woreda* due to flooding. WFP reported the incident to local police and an investigation is ongoing. 61 WFP trucks are stranded due to the flooding conditions in Somali region.
- In Afar, following tension between Afar and Amhara communities in Samurobi *Woreda* Zone 5, the collection of GPS coordinates to support WFP school feeding and nutrition activities has been temporarily halted in the *woreda*. Security has advised the exercise can continue in the other zones.

Assurance Project Updates

- As of 26 November, WFP with local communities and its Non-Government Organisation partners (NGO) have identified and targeted 929,000 households, representing 4,274,000 individuals. Of the households targeted, WFP has verified and digitally registered 429,000 households, representing 2 million beneficiaries in the Afar, Amhara, Somali, and Tigray regions.

Relief

- In the Tigray region, WFP has assisted 150,000 households, representing 677,000 beneficiaries accounting for 83 percent of the total planned in

cycle two under shock responsive component of productive safety net project. Under the same project, as of 25 November, WFP assisted 2,200 households representing 10,700 beneficiaries, accounting for 11 percent of the total planned in the third cycle.

OPERATIONAL UPDATES

Nutrition Support

- In Dire Dawa, WFP reached 12,000 pregnant and breastfeeding women and children under five with 60 mt of nutritious food during the reporting week in Qumbi, Chinaksen, Meyyu Mullukkia and Midhega Tola woredas in East Hararge.
- In Tigray region, WFP and partners provided nutritious food to 91,000 beneficiaries, representing 45 percent of the total 201,802 targeted beneficiaries for the month of November. During the reporting week, WFP reached 33,000 beneficiaries.
- In Afar region, WFP reached 24,000 beneficiaries representing 40 percent of the targeted 58,600 for the month of November. During the reporting week, 3,700 beneficiaries were reached under the nutrition prevention and treatment programme.

Refugee Response

- Since the resumption of refugee operations on 06 October, and after completing the first cycle WFP reached 612,000 people representing 68 percent of the first cycle at 24 locations. Six camps in Benshangul-Gumuz and Somali region were not reached due to access problems related to insecurity and flooding respectively.
- WFP has commenced the November second cycle assisting 199,000 refugees with in-kind food and cash assistance in Afar, Benishangul, Gambella, Oromia, Somali and Southern Ethiopia regions, representing 22 percent of the total planned for the second cycle.

- In Afar, Oromia and Somali regions, WFP reached 85,500 individuals in eight camps representing 90 percent of the planned for the second cycle.
- In Gambella region, WFP reached 49,000 individuals in Akula, Nguenyiel, Okugu, Pugnid-2 and Tierkidi refugee camps using the biometric verification system and Global distribution tool.
- In Benshangul-Gumuz region, WFP reached 62,500 individuals with 920 mt of food, representing 78 percent of the planned for October. On 24 November, WFP completed distributions in all three camps, however absentees were observed at Tsore camp.
- In Southern Ethiopia region, WFP reached 2500 individuals representing 51 percent of the planned for the second cycle.
- **School feeding at Benshangul-Gumuz refugee camps:** School feeding has been implemented as planned and school directors confirm that the attendance rate has improved this far.
- **Nutrition treatment at Benshangul-Gumuz refugee camps:** during the reporting week nutrient food for the treatment of moderately acute malnutrition has arrived at camps and distribution has started.

School Meals

- In Oromia region, WFP has reached 39,300 school children, of which 51 percent were female, with 26 mt of school meals at 109 schools during the reporting week. WFP conducted process monitoring in 15 schools in Yabello, Teltelle and Miyo *woredas*.
- In Tigray region, WFP dispatched 74 mt of CSB+, Vegetable Oil and salt to 20 schools for the month of October and November planning from the Mekelle and Gondar warehouses.
- In Afar region, WFP reached 74 percent of the targeted school children with school meals for the month of November, distributing 74 percent of the total 1,230 mt dispatched food. WFP accounts the under achievement to inaccessibility and staff priority on the implementation of the assurance project.

Climate Resilience and Integrated Smallholder Agriculture and Market Support

- In Somali region, WFP with Mercy Corps conducted a site-specific assessment in Godbokol and Amino site. The assessment reviewed the impact of floods, determined the extent of damage, and identified needs and priorities. The findings will inform necessary adjustments of activity plans.
- In Gambella region, WFP with the Regional Bureau of Agriculture and Mercy Corps, conducted a joint post-harvest loss assessment in project woredas to determine the quality and quantity of produce. As of this week's report, the assessment has been completed in one kebele in Gambella surrounding Woreda and one kebele in Itang Special Woreda.

Supply Chain

- WFP has purchased and delivered to Kombolcha and Gondar over 272,00 15 kg bags for the third cycle refugee food assistance. The re-bagging activity stands at 43 percent of the planned in November, with 5,000 mt food re-bagged.
- Dispatches stand at 1,090 mt, representing 10 percent of the planned of 11,360mt. The second cycle re-bagging of 10,150 mt of food as part of Productive Safety Net Program was completed during the reporting week.
- In 2023, WFP scanned 128,800 mt of nutritious food through the Last Mile Solution (LMS) at cooperating partner sites. During the reporting week, WFP has confirmed 4800 mt of both nutritious and PSNP funded relief food through LMS in Jigjiga, Gode, Mekelle, Diredawa, Kombolcha, Adama, Gambella, Gondar, and Semera. WFP trained 13 third-party monitors on LMS and granted access of operation in Dire Dawa.
- In 2023, WFP has marked 38,300 mt of food with Bag Marking Solution (BMS). During the reporting week, 3,300 mt of food were marked with BMS across Gode, Kombolcha, Mekelle,

Adama, Gambella, Assosa, Diredawa, Jigjiga, Gondar, and Semera

UNHAS

- Ten UNHAS passenger flight rotations took place between Addis Ababa and Melkadida, transporting 68 humanitarian staff members and 310 KG of humanitarian cargo.

Developments to watch.

Ethiopia is hit by severe [drought](#) in Tigray and Amhara region in northern Ethiopia that continue to experience severe drought conditions with more than 50 people dead and 4,000 cattle according to the Guardian.

Last week, the Ethiopian Government has announced that it is engaging talks with the Somaliland government in what it calls a "productive discussion" on utilization of Berbera Port.

Funding Outlook

WFP Ethiopia urgently requires US 178 million to deliver assistance, from November to April 2024.

Activity 1 (General Food Distribution)	USD 39 million
Activity 2 (Nutrition Activities)	USD 60 million
Activity 3 (Refugee Support)	USD 68 million
Activity 4 (School Feeding)	USD 0 million
Activity 5 (Climate Change Adaptation and Resilience Building)	USD 0 million
Other Activities	USD 11 million

Donors (in alphabetical order):

Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, the UN Central Emergency Response Fund, The Ethiopian Humanitarian Fund, Finland, France, Germany, Japan Luxembourg, Norway, South Korea, the Strategic Resource allocation Committee, the United Arab Emirates, the United

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- [WFP Ethiopia Annual County Report 2022](#)
- [WFP Ethiopia Country Brief September 2023](#)