

Evaluation title	Evaluation of Haiti WFP Country Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022	
Evaluation category and type	Centralized Evaluation – CSPE	
Post Hoc Quality Assessment (PHQA) – overall rating	Highly Satisfactory: 98%	
<p>The Evaluation of Haiti WFP Country Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022 constitutes a highly satisfactory report which can be used with confidence for decision-making and forward planning. The report effectively summarizes the evaluation purpose, rationale, and methodology. Drawing upon a range of primary and secondary data sources and a variety of data collection methods which respect ethics, confidentiality, humanitarian principles and cultural context, the report presents findings on all the evaluation questions and sub-questions according to CSP strategic objectives as well as themes which were identified for the evaluation. The evaluation highlights WFP's strengths in coordinating the logistics of humanitarian assistance, and as an expert in food security nutrition, as valued by development partners, government, and beneficiaries. It also finds limits in WFP ability to advance long term systemic changes in an unstable context with limited infrastructure, and institutional and governance weaknesses. Gender equality and women's empowerment (GEWE) and wider equity and inclusion dimensions are mainstreamed across evaluation questions and research instruments and are expanded in Annex 11. The report formulates a set of well-crafted conclusions which synthesize the presented findings across evaluation questions and discuss their strategic implications for the future CSP. It puts forward a set of five relevant, prioritized, targeted and actionable recommendations which strike a good balance between being specific and leaving users space to adjust their implementation as needed. The report uses clear, understandable language that is free of jargon and uses a variety of tables, graphs, and figures. The Executive Summary clearly captures the evaluation's essence and key messages, and cross-references sections usefully to highlight interconnected issues.</p>		
CRITERION 1: REPORT SUMMARY	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
<p>The summary constitutes a clear and accurate synthesis of the evaluation, addressing all aspects of the Terms of Reference. It describes evaluation objectives and contextual issues, summarizes the main evaluation findings with supporting evidence, presents a summary of the evaluation conclusions, and includes a clear presentation of the evaluation recommendations and proposed timelines for action. It situates the evaluation exercise and I-TCSP and CSP implementation against Haiti's complexity and volatility which are compounded with multiple and ongoing crises due to environment, economy, political instability, violence, and insecurity, as well as weak capacities and limited government institutions. Greater mention of the historical and current governance and institutional challenges in Haiti and their implications could have been included to explain WFP's difficulties to shift towards a long-term strategic focus.</p>		
CRITERION 2: CONTEXT AND OVERVIEW OF EVALUATION SUBJECT	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
<p>The overview provides a summary of the evaluation subject, using quantitative data and narrative to explain history, context, demographics and operational aspects of the Interim-CSP and CSP. Graphs and tables are used well to explain the volatile and particularly challenging context and operational elements of the I-CSP and CSP due to a legacy of cyclical poverty and gaps in institutional and human capital as well as limited infrastructure for irrigation and agricultural production, all worsened by recent shocks from political instability, economic, violence and security, health (COVID-19) on top of environmental disasters (earthquakes, floods, droughts, water shortage). The differential impacts on women and men are discussed throughout, underscoring the especially disadvantaged position of women in Haiti.</p>		
CRITERION 3: EVALUATION RATIONALE, OBJECTIVES, AND SCOPE	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
<p>The rationale, objectives and scope of the evaluation are consistent with the Terms of Reference. The report identifies intended users, both internal and external and stakeholders. Gender and intersectional considerations are mainstreamed as well as a specific subject of focus of the assessment.</p>		
CRITERION 4: METHODOLOGY	Rating	Highly Satisfactory

The methodology, data collection methods, sampling framework and analytical methods are relevant and clearly explained to respond to the four evaluation questions and sub-questions, with details outlined in Annex 4 on Methodology and Annex 5 on Research Instruments. The evaluation used a range of qualitative and quantitative data and anonymous quotes, applying gender-analysis to explain each finding and drawing evidence from key informant interviews (KIIs) and focus group discussions (FGDs) to explain findings of changes, barriers, shortfalls, and emerging solutions.

CRITERION 5: FINDINGS	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
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Evaluation findings are well substantiated and informed by a range of information sources and methods of enquiry, drawing on past studies, operational reports and monitoring data. Each EQ is addressed in a systematic way, beginning with policy and program context, then referencing past studies to frame the analysis, and presenting relevant data from primary and secondary research while triangulating to validate findings. The analysis covers strengths and weaknesses of WFP activities and programs in a balanced way, taking note WFP’s design, plans and course corrections in a context of historical endemic poverty and environmental degradation, institutional and human capacity weaknesses, as well as unanticipated environmental emergencies (tropical storms, earthquake), crises in politics (assassination, currency devaluation), health (COVID-19), and security (civil unrest, gangs, violence). Findings assess the achievements of outcomes, shortfalls, and emerging solutions, for example how WFP is recognized for its significant contributions to donor coordination and collaboration on food security and nutrition, with notable successes in its school feeding program and supporting smallholder farmers. At the same time, the evaluation underscores the low budget expenditures on several activities, underachievement of public awareness efforts to reach intended beneficiaries such as pregnant women during COVID, and the inability to materialize the Theory of Change shift towards long-term systemic changes due to recurring emergencies and institutional capacity gaps in the country.

CRITERION 6: CONCLUSIONS AND LESSONS	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
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The conclusions are well structured and flow logically from the assessment, addressing all Strategic Objectives and Themes as identified in the Terms of Reference. Lessons, underlying assumptions and risks are discussed in Annex 2 on the Theory of Change. Conclusions acknowledge specific areas where WFP has excelled or needs to improve and adjust further (for example, improving CO indicators and data collection to monitor and track beneficiaries in terms of sex, age, location, etc.).

CRITERION 7: RECOMMENDATIONS	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
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The evaluation presents five relevant, realistic and actionable recommendations which are well structured, prioritized and connect logically to the findings. The summary table of recommendations presents a useful grouping of potential actions according to strategic objectives and themes of the assessment, with pragmatic and reasonable measures prioritized for specific responsibility centres. The recommendations strike a good balance between being specific and allowing evaluation users to fine tune their implementation. Recommendations include suggestions on how to improve GEWE and broader equity and inclusion dimensions in future CSP implementation.

CRITERION 8: ACCESSIBILITY AND CLARITY	Rating	Highly Satisfactory
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The evaluation report is well written and structured, using tables, graphs and text boxes to illustrate or underscore key points. Annexes are well organized to present additional details.

Integration of Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment (GEWE) considerations in the evaluation report based on the UN System-Wide Action Plan (UN-SWAP) Evaluation Performance Indicator (EPI) scorecard	
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UN-SWAP EPI – individual evaluation score	Meets requirements: 9 points
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Evaluation Question 2.2 and corresponding conclusions and recommendations address gender-specific questions. The evaluation report addresses gender and intersectional vulnerabilities as cross-cutting issues, drawing from multiple primary and secondary data sources and triangulating data to explore and verify findings as they relate to gender and other inequalities.

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Post Hoc Quality Assessment – Rating scale and definitions at overall report and criteria levels	
Highly Satisfactory	<i>Definition at overall report level:</i> Evaluation users can rely on the credible and useful evaluation findings provided and can use the evaluation with a high degree of confidence for decision-making. The report is considered an excellent example.
	<i>Definition at criterion level:</i> The criterion is addressed without any gaps or limitations.
Satisfactory	<i>Definition at overall report level:</i> Evaluation users can rely on the quality and credible evaluation findings provided and can use it with confidence for decision-making.
	<i>Definition at criterion level:</i> There are no significant gaps or limitations in addressing the criterion.
Partly Satisfactory	<i>Definition at overall report level:</i> Evaluation users can rely on the evaluation findings provided and may use it for decision-making noting that there are some gaps/shortcomings in the information provided.
	<i>Definition at criterion level:</i> There are some significant gaps or limitations in addressing the criterion.
Unsatisfactory	<i>Definition at overall report level:</i> Evaluation users can use some of the learning from the evaluation, noting that there are significant gaps/ shortcomings in the evaluation findings provided. The report may still contribute to decision making but should be used with caution.
	<i>Definition at criterion level:</i> There are critical gaps or limitations in addressing the criterion. Most of the required parameters are not met.