

Annual Country Report Overview | 2023

In 2023, the World Food Programme (WFP) Pakistan continued to provide support to the Government of Pakistan to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Especially for the most vulnerable people, our focus continued around improving food security and nutrition across the nation.

32,357 MT of Food Transferred

USD 42 million
Cash Based Transfers (CBT)



Total **beneficiaries** in 2023

4,397,151

58% Female | 42% Male



Flood Response

In 2023, Pakistan continued to grapple with the compounding impact of the unprecedented 2022 floods that affected more than one-third of the country.

WFP played a pivotal role in supporting a total of nearly **4.4 million people following the flood crisis** through a variety of complementary interventions to address both critical and immediate **humanitarian needs through unconditional cash support to approximately 1.7 million people in 2023** and longer-term needs to build resilience, enhance livelihoods opportunities, and address malnutrition.

1.7 MILLION

people received **humanitarian assistance** in 2023

WFP distributed more than

USD 11 MILLION

in cash to flood affected households

1.8 MILLION

people received food or cash through WFP's asset creation and livelihood support activities

More than

5.5 MILLION vulnerable people benefitted indirectly from assets created or infrastructure repaired

In 2023,

5,072

assets were rehabilitated and constructed at the grassroots level to enhance community resilience against climate shocks

Resilience Building

In April 2023, WFP shifted its approach from emergency food assistance to provide cash transfers for early recovery & livelihoods support to communities vulnerable to climate change and other shocks.

This initiative supported over **1.8 million individuals in constructing community assets and enhancing livelihoods**, thereby strengthening their resilience to future shocks and climate change. WFP's support was focused on **capacity strengthening at both institutional and community levels**. The objective was to **stabilize food security, support recovery and develop resilience for the communities** across the country at the national, provincial and sub-provincial levels.

Combatting Malnutrition

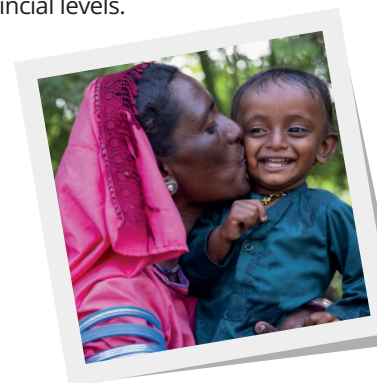
WFP adapted to tackle the escalating issue of malnutrition among vulnerable groups, especially children and pregnant or breastfeeding women (PBW) in flood-affected areas.

WFP **launched a supplementary programme** to identify and treat the most critical cases of malnutrition, demonstrating WFP's ability to respond to the evolving needs of vulnerable communities, including those affected by the 2022 floods.

In 2023, WFP cumulatively supported nearly

1.6 MILLION

children and PBW with its treatment and prevention-based nutrition support initiatives



Humanitarian Support for Afghanistan

In 2023, WFP Pakistan supported Afghanistan operation by handling **161,000 mt** of food commodities as part of humanitarian assistance operations, including procurement of a total of **USD 40.3 million** worth of food commodities.



Expansion of Benazir Nashonuma Programme

Beyond flood response, WFP played a key role in expanding the Benazir Nashonuma Programme (BNP), Pakistan's flagship stunting prevention programme.

With WFP's support, the BNP has seen significant growth, **over 567,000 children and 595,000 Pregnant and Breastfeeding Women (PBW)** were supported in 2023 through more than 500 facilitation centres (FCs) in 158 out of 171 districts across Pakistan. With this expansion, the total number of **children and PBW enrolled reached 1.3 million by the end of 2023.**

Under the Benazir Nashonuma Programme, WFP reached nearly

TRIPLE
THE PLANNED FIGURE,

mostly due to the massive scale-up of the programme in 2023



Grain storage facilities valued at
USD 1.2 MILLION
with **capacities of 3,000 mt** were handed over to the KP food department

An **MoU** with the Sindh Food Department was signed to provide technical and financial support for public-private investment in strategic grain reserves

Food Systems & Emergency Preparedness

Amidst multi-dimensional uncertainties and economic challenges, WFP prioritized emergency preparedness and disaster risk reduction, closely collaborating with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) and other partners.

As the year progressed, the focus shifted to longer-term developmental initiatives like strengthening food systems and implementing school-based programs. Moreover, WFP supported the Government of Pakistan at both federal and provincial levels with preparedness and early warning in view of Pakistan's growing vulnerability to recurring climate-driven shocks.



PARTNERSHIP ENGAGEMENT

WFP partnered with various stakeholders to provide immediate and long-term support to vulnerable communities facing food insecurity, malnutrition, and climate shocks exacerbated by the 2022 floods. In 2023, WFP collaborated with governmental departments at national and provincial levels, along with 21 NGOs and UN agencies like UNICEF, FAO, WHO, UNFPA, and IFAD. These partnerships helped advance the government's progress towards achieving SDGs 2.1 and 2.2. Gender equality was integrated into activities, focusing on women's participation and empowerment. However, food security and nutrition needs persist, according to the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) and WFP's post-distribution monitoring surveys.

Financial Overview

USD 232.93M
NEEDS BASED PLAN

USD 266.45M
AVAILABLE RESOURCES

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