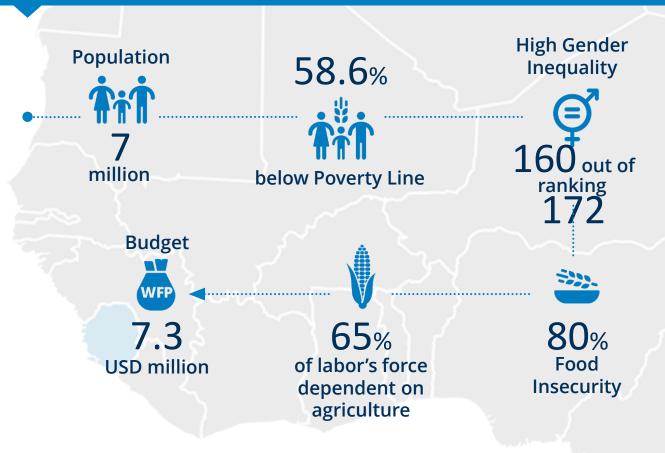


Evaluation of Asset Creation and Livelihood Activities in Sierra Leone 2020-2023

COUNTRY CONTEXT



WFP's Asset Creation and Livelihood (ACL) interventions fall under the Strategic Outcome four (SO4) of the Country Strategic Plan (CSP) 2020-2024.

EVALUATION covers ACL interventions implemented from 2020 to 2023



theory based methodology

interviews. focus groups, online surveys



gender sensitive



literature review

COUNTRY CONTEXT

- 1. The design of Asset creation and livelihood support (ACL) interventions is highly relevant in addressing food insecurity, yet remains a challenge.
- 2. WFP Inland Valley Swamp development model is a significant achievement of the **ACL** interventions that has helped boost agricultural activity, knowledge and participation of farmers. Disparities in training and environmental management practices affect long-term change.
- 3. The integration of a nutrition-sensitive approach into ACL interventions has led to increased production of nutritious foods, while linking Orange Fleshed **Sweet Potato** production to Home-**Grown School Feeding** has directly improved nutrition of school children despite challenges in scaling and post-harvest losses. While efforts to
- improve efficiency are evident, challenges such as input delays, organizational issues, and market barriers persist, affecting ACL interventions and efficiency.
- 4. Enhancing Village Savings and Loans **Association and** market access is crucial for income diversification and food security gains, lauded by FBOs. However, MAFS payments and postharvest losses remain a significant constraint on income generation.
- 8. ACL interventions show strengths in alignment, collaboration, and focus on key development priorities, but gaps in environmental considerations hinder effectiveness and sustainability.

multiple approaches, enhancing effectiveness by addressing both immediate and root causes of hunger. WFP's partnership with **MAFS and Community Youth Contractors has** been instrumental for strengthening national ownership of the project.

5. The ACL intervention

strategy incorporates

6. ACL interventions have made commendable efforts to promote gender, youth and disability inclusion, though reliance on labour-intensive activities remains a barrier. Data disaggregation is needed for comprehensive assessments of equitable benefits.

Recommendations

Strengthen strategic implementation through articulating inclusion, integration, sustainability and scalability of ACL interventions.

Enhance capacitybuilding with an inclusive strategy involving nutrition, HGSF, Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), environment and gender.

Address gaps in intervention coverage and implementation by enhancing research, training and OFSP implementation at district levels.

Build on remedial actions already taken to address late procurement and payment delays.

Reinforce environmental management in design and implementation of ACL interventions.

Revise M&E plans alongside corporate advancements to enhance nutrition, gender equality and women's empowerment and resilience measurements.

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