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WFP participated in the Global Dialogue Platform on Anticipatory Action in Berlin, Germany. © WFP/Wahyu Kuncoro

Operational Context

Indonesia is an upper-middle-income country based on its Gross National Income of US\$4,580 per capita per year (World Bank, 2022). Despite this significant achievement together with decreasing poverty, inequality, and reducing food insecurity, malnutrition indicators remain concerning.

On the 2023 Global Hunger Index, Indonesia is ranked 77 out of 125 countries. Undernourishment decreased to 8.5 percent in 2023 from 10.2 percent in 2022. Overall, 68 out of 514 districts/municipalities remained vulnerable to food insecurity in 2023.

Gross domestic product grew in the first quarter of 2024 by 5.1 percent year-on-year, and inflation rates in 2023 stood at 2.61 percent, the lowest since 2000. Food prices continue to fluctuate, rendering household purchasing power precarious. Additionally, the looming impact of El Niño, forecasted to commence in the coming months, poses an increased risk of drought and insufficient rice production.

Nearly 5,000 disasters stemming from environmental hazards and extreme weather events occurred in Indonesia in 2023 - a 39.2 percent increase from 2022. Of the disasters that occurred, most of them were attributable to climate anomalies. In this period, disasters affected over 8.7 million people - a 46 percent increase from 2022.

WFP engages in policy dialogue and provides technical assistance to the Government of Indonesia in the context of food security and nutrition analysis, climate and disaster risk management, and healthy diets.



Population (2020): **270 million**

2023/2024 Human Development Index: **112 out of 193**

Income Level: **Upper middle**

Chronic Malnutrition (2019): **28% children under 5 years old**

Highlights

- WFP supported Indonesia's National Disaster Mitigation Agency at the Global Dialogue Platform on Anticipatory Action in Berlin, highlighting a new regulation for integrating Anticipatory Action into disaster management.
- WFP met with the National Development Planning Agency to review Q3 activities, highlighting recommendations for scaling up the Government's new school meals programme and plans to expand a pilot kitchen to 5,000 sites by the end of 2025.

Operational Updates

Climate Change Adaptation and Anticipatory Action

- WFP supported the National Disaster Mitigation Agency's participation in the Global Dialogue Platform on Anticipatory Action (AA) in Berlin, where the agency presented Indonesia's integration of AA into disaster management. Since early 2024, a ministerial regulation now provides a legal basis for AA aligned with the Disaster Management Law. The agency aims to implement this regulation nationwide, prioritizing regions highly vulnerable to hydro-meteorological disasters.
- During the Disaster Risk Reduction Month and the 20th Aceh Tsunami Commemoration, WFP put to the fore key areas of its collaboration with the National Disaster Mitigation Agency. These include: (1) the agency's humanitarian logistics regulation, which was presented at the Logistics Coordination Meeting; (2) a decree establishing the Aceh Province Logistics Cluster, which was highlighted in a workshop; and (3) WFP's support to two sessions on Anticipatory Actions, covering the newly released regulation on Early Warning Responses and integrating AA into contingency plans.
- Following the signing of the 2024-2025 Project Document on disaster risk mitigation and climate change at the end of 2023, WFP and the National Disaster Mitigation Agency co-organized a mid-year review of the document to identify priorities and collaboration opportunities last August. The mid-year review resulted in established priorities for the remainder of 2024, collaboration opportunities for 2025, and planned synergies between the Agency's logistics and equipment division and the prevention division. Following the meeting, the agency and WFP agreed to conduct in-depth discussions to refine priorities and collaborative efforts for 2025.

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- WFP provided targeted sub-national support on AA integration with several initiatives:
 - Yogyakarta: WFP facilitated discussions to create operational guidelines for AA related to tropical cyclones, focusing on gender and disability inclusion.
 - West Kalimantan: WFP facilitated the launch of a climate information product for flood modeling, resulting in an agreement for the Regional Disaster Mitigation Agency to update the flood contingency plan.
 - East Nusa Tenggara: WFP helped select districts to boost community resilience through disaster risk awareness and integrating AA into the disaster-resilient village programme.

School Meals Programme

- In September, WFP facilitated a visit by the Rockefeller Foundation to explore potential collaboration in Indonesia's upcoming school meals programme. The visit involved high-level discussions with key stakeholders on nutrition and food security, focusing on their contributions to the programme's success. WFP and the Rockefeller Foundation conducted a site visit to a pilot school meals kitchen in West Java, assessing gaps and opportunities across the entire process, from meal preparation to delivery, to enhance the programme's effectiveness and scalability.
- WFP Indonesia Representative and Country Director, Jennifer Rosenzweig, spoke at the Bappenas-UN Forum on Development Cooperation 2024 last September. In the session on nutrition programmes, she highlighted the strategic value of the Global School Meals Coalition and its potential to strengthen Indonesia's policy framework on nutritious meals. The presentation provided an overview of the school meals programme and emphasized its role in advancing national priorities on food security and child nutrition.
- WFP met with the National Development Planning Agency to review WFP's Q3 activities. Key highlights included WFP's programmatic recommendations for scaling up the school meals within the Government's new school meals programme. A summary of recommendations will be provided by early November. WFP also shared business process mapping documents from its collaboration with the Indonesia Food Security Review, based on a pilot kitchen, planned to expand across 5,000 sites by the end of 2025.

Country Strategic Plan (2021-2025)

Total Requirement (In USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six-Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
15.8 m	13.0 m	0.1 m

Strategic Result 5: Countries have strengthened capacity to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 1: By 2025 the Government and other partners have enhanced capacity to generate and apply high-quality evidence as a basis for the reduction of food insecurity and malnutrition.

Focus area: *Root Causes*

- **Activity 1:** Provide policy engagement, technical assistance, and advocacy for Government and other partners to enhance attention to, and the use of, food security and nutrition evidence.

Strategic Result 5: Countries have strengthened capacity to implement the SDGs

Strategic Outcome 2: By 2025 the Government, other partners, and communities have enhanced capacity to mitigate the impact of disasters and climate change on food security and nutrition.

Focus area: *Resilience Building*

- **Activity 2:** Enhance partnerships, policy engagement, and technical assistance to the Government, other partners, and communities to reduce risks and the impact of disasters and climate change on food security and nutrition.

Strategic Result 2: No one suffers from malnutrition

Strategic Outcome 3: By 2025 populations at risk of multiple forms of malnutrition benefit from increased national capacity to design and implement programmes that enhance access to and promote positive behaviours on healthy diets and prevent stunting and other nutritional deficiencies.

Focus area: *Root Causes*

- **Activity 3:** Undertake policy engagement, technical assistance, and advocacy for healthy diets as a means of preventing all forms of malnutrition.

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WFP welcomes further contributions to the implementation of the WFP Country Strategic Plan 2021-2025 in Indonesia.

Operational Updates (continued)

Rice Fortification

- WFP participated in the National Rice Fortification Seminar organized by the University of Jember, celebrating World Food Day and the university's 60th anniversary. The event drew 1,000 attendees, including representatives from the National Food Agency, farmers' groups, private sector, academia, and primary schoolchildren with teachers and parents. WFP Indonesia's Country Director, emphasized in her opening remarks the importance of cross-sector collaboration to address nutritional challenges through rice fortification.

Disaster and Food Security Data

- WFP took part in launching the 2024 Food Security and Vulnerability Atlas (FSVA), organized by the National Food Agency with representatives from 38 provincial food security offices and key government ministries. The National Food Agency highlighted the proposal to designate the Food Security Index, an FSVA indicator, as a priority in the 2025-2029 National Development Plan. WFP Indonesia's Country Director stressed the value of FSVA data in government planning, while the Food Security Expert provided a global view on food security measurement.

Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

- WFP, UNICEF, and IOM's PSEA focal points in East Nusa Tenggara Province, with the Province's Women's Empowerment and Child Protection Office, held a sensitization session on preventing violence, exploitation, and sexual harassment for civil servants in East Nusa Tenggara. Recognizing civil servants as key role models, the session emphasized their role in prevention and response, and a commitment to establishing focal points and issuing a circular against violence in the East Nusa Tenggara provincial government. Representatives from 34 government offices and local media attended, with facilitators from protection organizations and psychologists leading group discussions.