WFP Cameroon
Situation Report
NW/SW response #12
November 2019

Highlights

- In November, WFP provided food assistance to a total of 188,673 vulnerable persons in the South West and North West regions. Since December 2018, around 404,000 people received WFP food assistance in both regions.
- On 30 November, a local staff working for a NGO, partnering with a UN partner, was abducted and later killed by armed men in Donga Mantung Division of the North West Region.

188,673 People assisted
November 2019

53% 

47%

WFP Net Funding Requirements
(December 2019)

Under Strategic Outcome 1;
Activity 1
[Populations affected by NW/SW crisis have safe access to adequate and nutritious food.]
USD 1.7 million

Situation Update

- Acts of kidnapping and ransom demands continue to be perpetrated against both civilians and humanitarian actors, with the majority of reported incidents occurring in the North West. On 30 November, a local staff working for a NGO, partnering with a UN partner, was abducted and later killed by armed men in Donga Mantung Division of the North West Region.
- On 21 November, the Ministry of Health reported 35 confirmed cholera cases and 6 deaths in the Health District of Bakassi, South West.

WFP Response

- WFP continues to provide in-kind food assistance to people in need, delivering a food basket consisting of rice, pulses, vegetable oil and salt. Beneficiaries of the assistance residing in urban/peri-urban areas received a reduced ration of 50 percent while whose living in rural and difficult-to-reach areas received a 70 percent ration.
- In November, WFP started to implement prevention of malnutrition activities for children aged 6 to 59 months and nutritional assistance to pregnant and lactating women and girls in the South West region and reached a total of 6,403 beneficiaries in November.

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1 OCHA: North-West and South-West Situation Report No.12
2 (IPC phase 3-4; October-December 2019 period. November 2019 Cadre Harmonisé.)
Food and Nutrition Assistance

- Since December 2018, WFP has provided food assistance to more than 404,000 people in need of food and nutrition assistance in the South West and North West regions.

- In November, WFP provided food and nutrition assistance to a total of 109,548 vulnerable persons in the North West and 79,125 persons in the South West.

Supply Chain

- A total of 1,145 mt of food commodities was distributed in the North West.
- In the South West, around 866 mt of food were distributed to beneficiaries during general food distributions. Around 22.5 mt of food were served to beneficiaries under the nutritional assistance activities.

Clusters and Common Services

Food Security Cluster

- New information products and maps (available here) display the presence of the Food Security Cluster partners and their effective response.

- In November, 22 FSC partners collectively assisted a total of 226,558 people, out of which 214,633 received food items through in-kind, e-voucher/paper voucher modalities, while 11,925 received agriculture and livelihoods support like grants for small business, fish farming and processing, home gardening, poultry and agriculture related trainings.

Challenges and Constraints

- Recurrent clashes, kidnappings and shootings resulting in casualties create a volatile security situation that regularly lead to postponements of food distributions in North West and South West Cameroon.

- Presence of armed men, associated with threats on distribution teams in certain distribution sites delayed distribution processes.

- Weekly Monday “ghost-town” days, lockdowns, roadblocks and checkpoints restrained freedom of movement for four days in November, thus delaying WFP activities.

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