GLOBAL OVERVIEW OF HUMANITARIAN NEEDS AND WFP RESPONSE

EXECUTIVE BOARD
AGENDA

- RECORD HIGH LEVELS OF FOOD INSECURITY
- THE COST OF AVERTING FAMINE
- OPERATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2021
- INVESTING IN HUMAN CAPITAL AND PREVENTION
- OPERATIONS OF HIGHEST CONCERN
- OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS AND FUNDING NEEDS
PEOPLE ARE NOW ESTIMATED TO BE ACUTELY FOOD INSECURE OR AT HIGH RISK IN 80 COUNTRIES IN 2021.*

*BASED ON MOST RECENTLY PUBLISHED IPC/CH OR EQUIVALENT ANALYSES,
45 million people are now facing emergency levels of food insecurity (IPC Phase 4), up from 41 million in June 2021. This includes 584,000 people facing famine-like conditions (IPC Phase 5) in Ethiopia, Madagascar, South Sudan, and Yemen.

The increase is primarily driven by 3 million more people facing IPC Phase 4 in Afghanistan, alongside marginal increases in Angola, Burundi, Haiti, Kenya, and Somalia.

Conflict continues to be the primary driver of this alarming rise of food insecurity and malnutrition, having accounted for 64 percent of acute food insecure people in 2020. We urgently need to preserve humanitarian access to populations in severe hunger situations to avoid catastrophe.
WFP’s biggest planned operation in history has grown even bigger: WFP is now planning to assist 140.5 million people in more than 80 countries in 2021.
90 MILLION
PEOPLE ASSISTED
IN THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2021

63.8 MILLION
PEOPLE ASSISTED WITH UNCONDITIONAL RESOURCE TRANSFERS

14.1 MILLION
SCHOOLCHILDREN IN 52 COUNTRIES

11.8 MILLION
PEOPLE ASSISTED THROUGH MALNUTRITION PREVENTION AND TREATMENT

5.6 MILLION
PEOPLE ASSISTED WITH ASSET CREATION AND LIVELIHOODS PROGRAMMING
FAO-WFP Hunger Hotspots

New additions are Ethiopia and Madagascar, while northeast Nigeria, South Sudan, and Yemen remain highest alert hotspots.

Scaling-up assistance

WFP is continuing to scale up assistance to respond to the increasingly severe hunger and malnutrition conditions.

Overcoming access challenges

WFP is working to augment its capacity to maintain and expand humanitarian access and reach more people in need.

Analyzing security environments

WFP is providing tailored analysis of the increasingly complex security environment faced by WFP staff, assets and operations.

Treating nutrition in crises

WFP plans to reach 27.8 million people in 2021 with nutrition activities, 82 percent of whom are experiencing humanitarian crises.

Leveraging cash-based transfers

So far in 2021, WFP has transferred US$ 1.6 billion across 67 WFP country offices, 67 percent of which was for emergency operations.
INVESTING IN HUMAN CAPITAL AND PREVENTION

**Strengthening social protection systems**
WFP continuous collaboration with national governments advance social protection programmes, including partnering with IFIs.

**Building resilience and livelihoods**
WFP is scaling up its resilience activities, adapting effectively to COVID-19 restrictions.

**Protecting vulnerable people from climate shocks,**
implementing climate risk solutions in 28 countries, benefiting more than 6 million people.

**School feeding around the globe**
WFP is scaling up on-site school meals as schools progressively reopen, providing 14.1 million children in 52 countries with meals in the first half of 2021.
A “NO REGRETS” APPROACH TOWARDS EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- Emphasize the necessity of investment in early warning and preparedness activities
- Strengthened field orientation, 72-hour scale-up with resources, empowered leadership
- Continuous replenished pool of emergency qualified staff and/or partner arrangements for immediate deployment
- Risks are considered from the onset and monitored throughout the scale-up
- The Immediate Response Account is WFP’s emergency reserve and ensures available funds are allocated to support a “no regrets” emergency response
OPERATIONS OF HIGHEST CONCERN

AFGHANISTAN
BURKINA FASO
CHAD
ETHIOPIA
KENYA
MADAGASCAR
MOZAMBIQUE
MYANMAR
NIGER
NIGERIA
SOMALIA
SOUTH SUDAN
SUDAN
SYRIA
UGANDA
YEMEN
ANGOLA
BANGLADESH
BURUNDI
CAMEROON
CAR
COLOMBIA
DRC
HAITI
HONDURAS
JORDAN
LEBANON
MALI
PAKISTAN
PALESTINE
ZAMBIA
ZIMBABWE
The 2021 global contribution forecast is projected at **US$ 8.6 billion**, covering **55% of operational requirements**.

The IRA remains a vital instrument supporting WFP operations, enabling recent emergency scale-ups in **Afghanistan, Haiti, Madagascar, Mozambique**, and **Nigeria**.

Without increased funding, WFP will be forced to further **scale back food assistance** to the most vulnerable people.
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