

Our top priority is ensuring that the people who need assistance receive it safely, in full and without interference

Fundamental for keeping the trust of our donors and beneficiaries

Rolling out the Reassurance Action Plan... is a shared responsibility

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Update on the WFP Reassurance Action Plan

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How does WFP provide assurance in a high-risk operational context?

Emergency Risk Management Framework and escalation procedures

Zero tolerance for fraud and corruption

Assurance and control measures embedded

Transparent and timely communication

Overview of the Reassurance Action Plan

Outcome

Ensure WFP remains partner of choice in planning and responding to emergencies by using cutting edge tools and highly skilled people and partners to ensure efficient use of – and accountability for – entrusted resources.

Objectives

Develop and implement an “end-to-end” Global Assurance Framework;
Complete immediate workstream deliverables and costed implementation plans by end 2023;
High-risk CO’s aim to implement immediate enhancements; and all CO’s by end 2025.

Main Components

Global Assurance Framework

Enhancements in
five focus areas

Country Office
implementation plans

Proposed Global Assurance Framework

Global Assurance Standards

WFP consults with and listens to the people it assists and respects their privacy

WFP knows who is being assisted, and at the end of every cycle, the organization knows who did not receive their assistance

WFP knows that its in-kind assistance is safe and where it is – from origin to the hands of the people it serves

WFP maintains operational independence

Minimum Assurance Measures

- ✓ Establish segregation of roles and duties
- ✓ Evidence-based targeting and verification of beneficiaries
- ✓ Distribute directly to the household level, wherever possible
- ✓ Reconcile distributions/transfers immediately following each cycle
- ✓ Multi-layer and comprehensive monitoring implemented
- ✓ Competitive selection process followed
- ✓ Choice of transfer modalities consider beneficiary preference, context and risk
- ✓ Ensure accountability with affected populations is mainstreamed

Focus Areas

Monitoring and Community Feedback Mechanism

Identity Management

Targeting

Cooperating Partner Management

Supply Chain

**Cross-Cutting:
Digital Solutions and Risk Management**

Country Office Implementation Plans

Country Offices identified as high-risk are:

- ✓ Conducting an assurance review
- ✓ Preparing a costed assurance action plan to address gaps and risks
- ✓ Incrementally implementing measures with completion by end 2024

Implementation Assessment:

- ✓ Quarterly implementation report
- ✓ Annual ED Assurance exercise

Key Deliverables

2023

- ✓ Higher risk country offices prepare costed assurance action plan and integrate into budgets
- ✓ Boosting of monitoring teams in country offices started
- ✓ IDM system requirements established
- ✓ Third Party physical checks on supply chain warehouses and video surveillance started

2023-24

- ✓ Issuance of Normative Documents

2024

- ✓ Higher risk country offices complete fraud risk assessments by end 1Q 2024
- ✓ Remote process and outcome monitoring pilot
- ✓ Feasibility study on an integrated and interoperable ecosystem for programme monitoring
- ✓ Minimum assurance standards for in-kind operations with CFM improvements
- ✓ Track and Trace concept
- ✓ Higher risk country offices complete action plan implementation by 31 Dec 2024

Membership will be updated on implementation quarterly



Thank You

