

World Food Programme

Reports to the Joint Inspection Unit relevant to the work of WFP

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# <u>JIU Report on the Review of Consideration and Action Taken on JIU Reports and Recommendations by United Nations system organizations (JIU/REP/2024/2)</u>

WFP has the most detailed and advanced SOP for the dissemination and handling of JIU reports...WFP is the most advanced organization in this area.

"Comparison of the guidance on the dissemination and handling of JIU reports issued by six organizations (UNFPA, UNICEF, WFP, IMO, UPU and WHO) based on the related follow-up decisions taken by their legislative organs and governing bodies clearly shows that WFP is the most advanced organization in this area."

WFP acts immediately to distribute new JIU reports upon issuance

*"WFP is a notable exception and a good practice example with regard to distribution of JIU reports to Member States."* 

#### WFP fully implemented JIU recommendation to propose concrete courses of action to be taken by their legislative organs and governing bodies

"The WFP secretariat prepares and submits to the Executive Board draft responses on recommendations addressed to the legislative organs and governing bodies for consideration by the Alternates working group of the Executive Board Bureau, which was established in 2011. The working group agrees on the draft responses before they are formalized by the Executive Board Bureau."

*"WFP practice could serve as a model for other organizations. "The Inspector recommends that participating organizations consider implementing this good practice applied by WFP."* 

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## WFP is recognized for its commendable practice of providing weekly status updates on JIU actions

"Few progress reports are issued in a regular and detailed manner. A good and commendable practice applied by some organizations is the meticulous recording and internal tracking of the actions and measures taken by the respective organizations with regard to the implementation of accepted JIU recommendations, using standardized follow-up processes. The quarterly reports of UNHCR, the monthly updates at UNOPS, **the weekly updates of WFP, available through its internal website\*,** follow-up actions described in standards of procedures are but a few examples."

\*Weekly updates now available in the restricted website of the Executive Board

## WFP has clearly defined roles and responsibilities and efficient monitoring processes

"Efficient monitoring and verification of the implementation of JIU recommendations at WFP as well as at UNICEF and UNFPA."

### WFP undertakes continued effort to increase awareness in the organization

"Organizations should emulate the good practice regarding awareness-raising at WFP."

#### Status of JIU Recommendations 2025 First Regular Session of the Executive Board

Year of report issuance	Report Name	Outstanding at 2024 First Regular Session	New	Closed	Outstanding at 2025 First Regular Session
2022	Ethics function	1	0	(1)	0
2023	Accountability frameworks	3	0	0	3
	Internal pre-tribunal stage appeal mechanisms	4	0	0	4
	Preventing and addressing racism and racial discrimination (JIU NOTE)	1	0	0	1
2024	Acceptance and implementation of JIU recommendations	0	4	(4)	0
	Health insurance schemes	0	3	(1)	2
	Non-staff personnel and related contractual modalities	0	7	(7)	0
	Flexible working arrangements	0	6	(3)	3
Outstanding at 2025 First Regular Session		9	20	(16)	13

#### **Ongoing JIU Reviews and CEB Requests**

- 9 JIU reviews and UN System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB) inter-agency response processes ongoing.
- The chart below includes upcoming deadlines and the relevant divisional focal points.

