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Evaluation of Liberia WFP Country Strategic Plan 2019–2026

Informal Consultation of the WFP Executive Board – May 2026

Country Strategic Plan 2019–2026 overview

Challenges WFP aimed to address:

- “Serious” level of hunger
- Low primary school enrolment
- Weak health infrastructure

CSP 2019–2026 focused on:

- Home-grown school feeding/resilience
- Crisis response
- Capacity strengthening
- Service provision



Summary of key insights



Insight 1: Strategic positioning

- **CSP leveraged WFP comparative advantage** – reach, partnerships, technical expertise
- **Flexible CSP** – shift from resilience and school feeding to crisis response when needed – but programmatic linkages not always adequate
- **Appropriately targeted** most vulnerable – but gaps in reaching specific vulnerable subgroups e.g. out-of-school children



Insight 2: Results

- **Home grown school feeding** improved enrolment, attendance, access to a diverse and fortified diet & boosted farmer productivity
- **Crisis response (COVID-19)** helped prevent further deterioration of food security
- Support to **national health supply-chain** – national capacities for forecasting, storage, inventory maintenance & delivery
- Some gains in **women's participation, economic roles & leadership** but missed opportunities to address structural inequalities



Insight 3: Challenges

- **Funding and staffing gaps** undermined ability to maintain strategic orientation & meet operational demands
- **Partnerships** largely focused on delivery, not always strategic
- **Capacity strengthening support** sporadic & constrained by limited resources and short-term engagement

Recommendations

1

Refine and consolidate HGSF model, strengthening support & incentives to cooperatives and improving planning

2

Strengthen support to national & community capacities in school feeding, crisis response and health supply chains

3

Facilitate strategic partnerships across the education sector drawing on entities' respective comparative advantages

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Strengthen internal systems & capacity to deliver on CSP ambitions