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Malawi short-term interim country strategic plan (1 January–31 March 2019)

Country strategic plan duration	1 January 2019–31 December 2023
Short-term interim country strategic plan duration	1 January–31 March 2019
Country strategic plan total cost to WFP (5 years)	USD 619,800,513
Cost of short-term interim country strategic plan to WFP (3 months)	USD 28,601,866
Total number of beneficiaries under country strategic plan and short-term interim country strategic plan	4,851,715
Number of beneficiaries under short-term interim country strategic plan alone	4,851,715
Gender and age marker*	3

* <http://gender.manuals.wfp.org/en/gender-toolkit/gender-in-programming/gender-and-age-marker/>

Decision

The Board approved by vote by correspondence the Malawi short-term interim country strategic plan (1 January–31 March 2019) at a total cost to WFP of USD 28,601,866.

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Note: This document should be read in conjunction with the draft full Malawi country strategic plan (2019–2023) to be submitted to the Board for approval.

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1. Making reference to the draft full Malawi country strategic plan for the period 2019–2023 (CSP), this short-term interim country strategic plan (ICSP) consists of activities that continue WFP's current projects in the country. It seeks the Executive Board's approval by vote by correspondence of the implementation of such activities during the period from January to March 2019 pending the Board's approval of the CSP at its 2019 first regular session. This early start is necessary to provide operational continuity until the Executive Board's approval of the CSP.
2. To ensure adequate governance and oversight, all strategic outcomes and activities under the short-term ICSP are based on previously approved projects and ongoing activities. The short-term ICSP will include no strategic outcomes or activities that do not stem from existing projects, and such outcomes and activities will be implemented only under the CSP after its approval by the Executive Board. Once approved, the CSP will supersede this short-term ICSP.
3. Under the short-term ICSP WFP will assist the Government of Malawi and partners in working towards the following four strategic outcomes through five activities:
 - **Strategic outcome 1:** Shock-affected people in Malawi, including refugees, have access to nutritious food all year (Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 2.1).

Focus area: Crisis response

Key activity:

 - Activity 1: Provide cash and/or food transfers to refugees, malnourished people and the most vulnerable populations affected by seasonal shocks.
 - **Strategic outcome 2:** Vulnerable populations in food-insecure communities benefit from strengthened shock-responsive social protection systems and efficient supply chains that ensure access to safe, nutritious food all year (SDG 2.1).

Focus area: Resilience building

Key activities:

 - Activity 2: Support national social protection systems to become increasingly shock-responsive and hunger- and nutrition-sensitive.
 - Activity 3: Provide nutritious meals to schoolchildren in food-insecure areas.
 - **Strategic outcome 3:** Targeted populations in Malawi – especially children under 5, adolescents, pregnant and lactating women and girls and TB and HIV/AIDS clients – have improved nutrition status in line with national targets (SDG 2.2).

Focus area: Resilience building

Key activity:

 - Activity 4: Provide chronic malnutrition and micronutrient deficiency prevention services to at-risk populations in targeted areas.
 - **Strategic outcome 4:** Smallholder producers and vulnerable populations in Malawi (especially women) have enhanced resilience through diversified livelihoods, increased marketable surpluses and access to well-functioning food systems and efficient supply chains by 2030 (SDG 2.4).

Focus area: Resilience building

Key activities:

 - Activity 5: Provide resilience-building support, education and systems-strengthening services to smallholder farmers and value chain actors.

4. One additional activity under strategic outcome 5¹ (in the resilience building focus area) will only be implemented once the CSP is approved and is therefore not part of this short-term ICSP.
5. WFP will reach beneficiaries under the short-term ICSP as summarized in table 1.

TABLE 1: FOOD AND CASH BASED TRANSFER BENEFICIARIES BY STRATEGIC OUTCOME AND ACTIVITY SHORT-TERM INTERIM COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN (January-March 2019)						
Strategic outcome	Activity	Beneficiaries				
		Boys	Girls	Women	Men	Total
1	1. Provide cash and/or food transfers to refugees, malnourished people and the most vulnerable populations affected by seasonal shocks.	429 350	514 270	351 287	454 223	1 749 131
2	2. Support national social protection systems to become increasingly shock-responsive and hunger- and nutrition-sensitive.	-	-	-	-	-
	3. Provide nutritious meals to schoolchildren in food-insecure areas.	608 314	584 458	-	-	1 192 772
3	4. Provide chronic malnutrition and micronutrient deficiency prevention services to at-risk populations in targeted areas.	277 145	266 276	-	-	543 422
4	5. Provide resilience-building support, education and systems-strengthening services to smallholder farmers and value chain actors.	368 243	370 033	301 289	326 827	1 366 392
Total		1 314 809	1 365 004	1 048 147	1 123 755	4 851 715

6. The following tables provide budgetary overviews for both the full CSP and the short-term ICSP.

¹ Strategic outcome 5 - National and local institutions, agencies and enterprises in Malawi have increased capacity and improved supply chain systems to achieve SDG 2 by 2030; activity 6 - Provide capacity strengthening, skills transfer, partnership activities and logistics and procurement services to national and local institutions and private-sector enterprises involved in food security, nutrition, food safety, disaster risk management and emergency response.

TABLE 2: INDICATIVE COST BREAKDOWN BY STRATEGIC OUTCOME (USD) COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN (2019-2023)						
	Strategic Result 1 SDG Target 2.1	Strategic Result 1 SDG Target 2.1	Strategic Result 2 SDG Target 2.2	Strategic Result 4 SDG Target 2.4	Strategic Result 5 SDG Target 17.9	Total
	Strategic outcome 1	Strategic outcome 2	Strategic outcome 3	Strategic outcome 4	Strategic outcome 5	
Transfers	168 702 828	82 575 230	6 630 001	273 956 389	1 058 420	532 922 868
Implementation	5 540 378	4 314 766	4 416 121	7 186 695	429 895	21 887 855
Adjusted direct support costs	8 409 405	4 246 631	542 029	13 890 789	72 737	27 161 590
Subtotal	182 652 611	91 136 627	11 588 152	295 033 872	1 561 052	581 972 313
Indirect support costs	11 872 420	5 923 881	753 230	19 177 202	101 468	37 828 200
Total	194 525 031	97 060 507	12 341 382	314 211 073	1 662 520	619 800 513

TABLE 3: INDICATIVE COST BREAKDOWN BY STRATEGIC OUTCOME (USD) SHORT-TERM INTERIM COUNTRY STRATEGIC PLAN (January-March 2019)					
	Strategic Result 1, SDG Target 2.1	Strategic Result 1, SDG Target 2.1	Strategic Result 2, SDG Target 2.2	Strategic Result 4, SDG Target 2.4	Total
	Strategic outcome 1	Strategic outcome 2	Strategic outcome 3	Strategic outcome 4	
Transfers	10 710 261	3 991 838	296 228	9 718 604	24 716 931
Implementation	271 735	228 168	116 961	344 169	961 033
Direct support costs	503 916	193 638	18 960	461 737	1 178 251
Subtotal	11 485 911	4 413 643	432 148	10 524 510	26 856 212
Indirect support costs (6.5 percent)	746 584	286 887	28 090	684 093	1 745 654
Total	12 232 495	4 700 530	460 238	11 208 603	28 601 866

Acronyms used in the document

CSP	country strategic plan
ICSP	interim country strategic plan
SDG	Sustainable Development Goal