



# Bhutan Country Strategic Plan 2024-2028

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World Food Programme

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# Context



**ECONOMIC** Bhutan graduated from LDC category in December 2023

**FOOD SYSTEMS** Challenges in food production and markets

**NUTRITION** One third of households cannot afford a nutritious diet

**SOCIAL** Out-migration of educated and skilled labour force

**GOVERNANCE** Inadequate government coordination and capacities

**HAZARDS &  
CLIMATE CHANGE** Multi-risk vulnerability and government unprepared





# Strategic orientation

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- Builds on the CSPE recommendations and achievements of the first generation CSP by introducing two outcome areas:
  - A new portfolio empowering women smallholder farmers through resilience to climate change and participation in value chains
  - Expansion of country capacity strengthening for social protection, school feeding, healthy diets, and emergency preparedness & response
- Adopts a food systems approach that integrates the production, aggregation, transformation, marketing and consumption of nutritious food across outcomes
- Expands WFP private sector engagement and support for a One UN approach to emergency preparedness and response



# Alignment



## United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (2024-2028)

Outcome 1 : Economic development

Outcome 2 : Social & human capital development

Outcome 3 : Resilient communities and emergency preparedness & response

## Royal Government of Bhutan 13th Five-Year Plan (2024-2028)



## SDGs 1, 2, 13 and 17



## WFP Strategic Plan (2022-2025)



People have better **nutrition, health and education outcomes**



People have **improved and sustainable livelihoods**



**National programmes and systems are strengthened**



# Shifts

- Expands **country capacity strengthening** for school nutrition and emergency preparedness and response
- Contributes to the Government's emerging **social protection** agenda
- Introduces a new smallholder farmers portfolio that plugs gaps in support for **climate smart** approaches and **value chains**
- Prioritises **gender transformative** support to rural women
- Supports government adoption of **digital technologies** across the portfolio



# Integration

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- **Country capacity strengthening** is integrated across all CSP activities and outcomes
- The **food systems approach** integrates food production, social protection and social behaviour change
- Guides government toward the wider inclusion of socially and economically **vulnerable groups**, including for people with disabilities
- Commits to the expansion of WFP **partnerships**





Thank you

