

Evaluation of Madagascar WFP Country Strategic Plan 2019-2023

SAVING LIVES CHANGING LIVES

Aims of the Madagascar CSP

- From delivery of humanitarian assistance to a stronger focus on resilience-building activities
- Greater emphasis on institution capacity strengthening
- Expand access to school feeding by boosting local production
- Integration of resilience-building activities
- Budget of USD 628 million, funding level 43 percent at the time of the evaluation



Strategic positioning



Alignment with national policies and strategies



Strong role in **saving lives** is acknowledged, relevant in response to rapid-onset hazards. Role in addressing **longer-term challenges** questioned



Partnership challenged by low field presence of other actors in southern regions

Key contributions to change



Good coverage of crisis response and nutrition interventions, acute malnutrition reduced



School meals helped improve school attendance



Service provision to humanitarian community effective and Service provappreciated



Efficiency gains through expansion of cash transfers and localization of partnerships



Contributions to improved female representation in decisionmaking, but more analysis needed

Specific areas for CSP improvement



Siloed working – lack of synergies across outcome areas



Geographical targeting – unclear rationale for focus on South given malnutrition pockets elsewhere



Resilience – activities too small-scale to address vulnerabilities. Stronger evidence base needed, to inform scale-up



Institutional capacity strengthening – need for stronger advocacy role with Government in emergency preparedness and response



Nexus - opportunities to better link humanitarian and development interventions



Do-no-harm – greater consideration of intra-community social dynamics, and risks of aid dependency

Systemic issues for consideration

- Challenges in raising resources for resilience, due to earmarking
- Scope for more investments in emergency preparedness
- Need to enhance partnerships with development actors