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Guinea WFP Country Brief

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Operational Context

Despite an abundance of natural resources, Guinea faces major socio-economic and political challenges. Poverty, food insecurity and malnutrition rates are alarming, especially in rural areas. The 2014 Ebola outbreak has made already vulnerable communities more insecure. On average, 55 percent of the Guinean population live below the poverty line and unemployment is high, particularly among youth and women. Around 17.5 percent of the population – or 1.9 million people – are food insecure. Just under 100,000 children aged 6-59 months suffer from severe malnutrition, and 230,000 children suffer from moderate acute malnutrition. Overall, chronic malnutrition rates are at 25.9 percent nationwide.

WFP has been present in Guinea since 1964, providing vital assistance to vulnerable groups of people, including school-aged children, pregnant and lactating women, children aged 6-59 months, malnourished HIV/TB patients, and smallholder farmers in targeted areas, namely women and youth.



Population: **12 million**

2016 Human Development Index: **183 out of 188**

Income Level: **Least developed**

Chronic malnutrition: **25.9 % of children between 6-59 months**

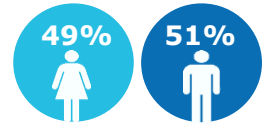
In Numbers

301.565 mt of food assistance distributed

US\$ 0 m cash-based transfers made

US\$ 3.4 m six months (August-February 2018 - 2019) net funding requirements, representing 64% of total

92,356 m people assisted in JULY



Operational Updates

- In mid-July, a Japanese rice donation ceremony was held at the Ministry of Cooperation and Integration. The Japanese Ambassador, the Minister of Cooperation, the Minister of Education, the WFP National Director in Guinea, the health officials attended the event covered by TV media and newspapers. A large part of the 1,404 tons of Japanese rice will be served during the 2018-2019 period for school meals and nutrition beneficiaries.
- The initiative of new local purchase of rice has been launched in July 2018. A total of 232 tons is to be purchased from five women farmer cooperatives in Forest Guinea and middle Guinea in August and September 2018. The rice purchased will be stored in the nearest WFP warehouse and then sent to schools for the school meals. The aim of the activity is to improve food security and livelihoods among vulnerable communities exposed to sudden flood last year, by boosting their resilience and supporting food production and farmers' incomes.
- In July, WFP provided blanket supplement feeding (BSF) to children aged 6-59 months and households in the Nzerekore region, in Beyla prefecture, to reduce the risk of acute malnutrition during the 2018 wedding period. WFP continued MAM treatment activities and prevention of chronic malnutrition in Kankan and Labé. A total of 397.912 mt of food were distributed to 19,826 vulnerable people including 11,942 children aged 6-59 months and 7,884 pregnant and lactating women.
- School holidays have started and classes are scheduled to open in October.

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Caption: Japanese rice donation ceremony at the Ministry of Cooperation, Conakry.

Country Strategic Plan (2017-2021)

Total Requirement (in USD)	Allocated Contributions (in USD)	Six Month Net Funding Requirements (in USD)
15.0 m	15.3 m	3.4 m

Strategic Result 1: Everyone has access to food

Strategic Outcome 1: Vulnerable populations including school-aged children in Guinea have adequate access to safe and nutritious food all year-round.
Focus area: Resilience Building

- Activities:**
- 1 - Provide hot meals to all school-aged children and dry rations to school-aged girls in WFP-assisted schools.
 - 2 - Provide technical support to the Government, to contribute to the national school meals policy implementation and the progressive transfer of management to the Government.
 - 3 - Forge partnerships with the Government, UN agencies and NGOs to foster a quality learning environment in WFP-supported schools.

Strategic Result 2: No one suffers from malnutrition

Strategic Outcome 2: The most vulnerable populations in Guinea, namely pregnant and lactating women, children under 5, and malnourished HIV/TB clients, have improved nutritional status by 2020.
Focus area: Root Causes

- Activities:**
- 4 - Provide technical support to national institutions and communities to promote and implement nutrition-sensitive activities and policies.
 - 5 - Provide nutritious foods / CBT to children aged 6-59 months, pregnant and lactating women and people living with HIV or TB to treat acute malnutrition.
 - 6 - Provide food and capacity strengthening to pregnant and lactating women and children aged 6-23 months to contribute to the prevention of chronic malnutrition.

Strategic Result 3: Smallholder productivity and incomes

Strategic Outcome 3: Smallholders in targeted areas, namely women and young people, have enhanced livelihoods to better support their food security and nutrition needs throughout the year.
Focus area: Resilience Building

- Activities:**
- 7 - Provide capacity strengthening to smallholder farmers in value addition, marketing and financial inclusion.
 - 8 - Provide technical support to smallholder farmers to promote the creation of market outlets for their commodities (local purchases, private

Monitoring

The analysis of the results of the *Analyse Globale de la Vulnérabilité, de la Sécurité Alimentaire et de la Nutrition* (AGVSAN) Guinea 2018 survey is currently being finalized. Exchanges were held with the various partners of the survey during the analysis workshop and the steering committee held at the beginning of the month. A report validation workshop is scheduled for 7 and 8 August in Conakry.

Challenges

The situation of the Linsan Bridge has blocked transportation for the pre-positioning of food in the canteens of Labé, Kankan, Kissidougou and Nzérékoré in the third quarter of the year. Logistics are on standby until the resumption of transport on this national road.

Donors

In alphabetic order

Canada, France, Government of Guinea, Japan, Russia and USAID