

Fighting Famine Snapshot

29 November 2017

GLOBAL RESPONSE UPDATE: In October, WFP reached 13.5 million people with life-saving emergency assistance through food distributions, cash-based transfers, and commodity vouchers across the four countries at risk of Famine - the highest number of people reached in a single month so far this year. However, insecurity, the impact of the blockade in Yemen, combined with continuing funding constraints, means that WFP's Famine response efforts are still not reaching everyone in need, and that the current progress, though significant, remains fragile.

25,000 PEOPLE IN FAMINE-LIKE CONDITIONS (IPC 5)*

SOUTH SUDAN

4.8 MILLION NEED FOOD ASSISTANCE (IPC 3,4,5)*

*IPC, October - December 2017

WFP SCALE-UP:

- In October, WFP reached 2.6 million people with life-saving food assistance.
- WFP and partners assisted 16,700 people in Baggari, Western Bahr El Ghazal, where people face Humanitarian Catastrophe (IPC Phase 5) food insecurity levels. Humanitarian partners will provide food, nutrition services, health care, household items, hygiene and sanitation assistance. The last humanitarian response by WFP and partners in that area was in mid-September 2017, when 16,600 people were reached.
- Currently there are 6 integrated rapid response mechanism (IRRM) teams deployed in Jonglei, Unity and Upper Nile States, providing life-saving food and nutrition assistance to about 92,760 people, including 17,500 children under the age of five. WFP plans to deploy an additional 25 missions in the coming six weeks, assisting 480,000 people.

SUPPLY CHAIN / RESOURCING:

- The first WFP convoy of 19 trucks, carrying 500 mt of cereals departed El Obeid (Sudan) on 21 November and is currently on its way to Aweil (South Sudan). Opening the fourth corridor from Sudan to South Sudan allows WFP to augment its food delivery requirement to assist people in Greater northern Bahr el Ghazal region.
- WFP requires **US\$ 300 million** for the next six months.

FOOD SECURITY SITUATION: NOVEMBER 2017

- According to the latest IPC analysis, 6 million people (56% of the total population) are estimated to be severely food insecure, out of which 40,000 are in Humanitarian Catastrophe at a household level (IPC Phase 5) and 2 million are facing Emergency (IPC Phase 4) food insecurity. Of great concern is Greater Baggari, a sub-area of former Wau County.
- The ongoing harvest is estimated to be below average due to repeated internal displacement, as well as prolonged dry spells in localized areas that negatively affected crop development.

WFP OPERATIONS: EMOP 200859 and PRRO 200572

ASSISTED IN OCTOBER: 2.6 MILLION WITH FOOD AND NUTRITION INTERVENTIONS	NOVEMBER PLAN: 2.6 MILLION PROJECT PLAN: 4.1 MILLION
FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS CLUSTER (OCT)*: Assisted: 2.36m (Targeted: 3.6m)**	

WFP South Sudan Situation Report #204
(24 November 2017)

1,800 PEOPLE IN FAMINE-LIKE CONDITIONS (IPC 5)*

NORTH-EAST NIGERIA

2.56 MILLION NEED FOOD ASSISTANCE (IPC 3,4,5)*

*Cadre Harmonisé, October - December 2017

WFP SCALE-UP:

- In October, WFP reached 1,147,000 people with food and nutrition assistance across Borno, Yobe and Adamawa States. 905,000 beneficiaries - most of them internally displaced in camps or in host communities - benefited from food distributions, while in areas with functioning markets 242,000 people were assisted with cash or vouchers. 130,000 children aged 6 to 23 months and 115,000 pregnant and lactating women were provided with specialised nutritious food. 16,000 mt of mixed food commodities were dispatched and USD 2.6 million were disbursed.
- WFP, through partners, provides returnees with food assistance, mainly in Borno (mainly Gwoza, Ngala, Dikwa, Gubio) and in Adamawa (Madagali and Michika). In October, the weekly average of returnee arrivals was over 600.
- Compared to September, the October planned beneficiaries were reduced by 12 percent, mainly due to re-registration exercises.

SUPPLY CHAIN / RESOURCING:

- Traffic diversions, flooding and bad road conditions continue to hamper the movement of commodities from the Port of Lagos. As congestion in Apapa terminal delayed dispatches, WFP successfully completed a trial shipment of 20 containers utilizing Port of Onne (Port Harcourt) as an alternative seaport.
- WFP requires **US\$ 23 million** for the next six months. A complete pipeline break is anticipated in May and the net funding requirements until October 2018 are estimated at USD 169 million.

FOOD SECURITY SITUATION: OCTOBER 2017

- The Emergency Food Security Assessment (EFSA) from October indicates a decline of 11 percent in the number of households who are food insecure as compared to March. mVAM data from October shows improved food security with fewer households resorting to negative coping strategies.
- The number of people estimated to be experiencing extreme food has dropped from 5.2 million (June-August) to 2.57 million (September-December), according to Cadre Harmonise estimates.

WFP OPERATIONS: REGIONAL EMOP 200777 (NIGERIA COMPONENT)

ASSISTED IN OCTOBER: 1.1 MILLION WITH FOOD, CASH AND COMMODITY VOUCHERS	NOVEMBER PLAN: 1.36 MILLION PROJECT PLAN: 1.8 MILLION
FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS CLUSTER (OCT)*: Assisted: 2.56m (Targeted: 3.1m)**	

WFP Nigeria Situation Report #22
(01-31 October 2017)



WFP 2017 FAMINE RESPONSE SCALE-UP STATUS

AS OF 27 NOV

PEOPLE ASSISTED IN OCT:
13.5 MILLION

PEOPLE TARGETED IN NOV: **12.8M**



WFP 2017 FAMINE RESPONSE FUNDING STATUS

AS OF 23 NOVEMBER

OVERALL 2017 FUNDING LEVEL:
66%

USDS 1.96B RECEIVED / 2.8B 2017 REQUIREMENT

6-MONTH NET FUNDING REQUIREMENT:
US\$ 813 MILLION
DECEMBER 2017 - MAY 2018

6.8 MILLION FACING SEVERE HUNGER (IPC 4)*

YEMEN

1.7 MILLION NEED FOOD ASSISTANCE (IPC 3,4)*

*IPC, March 2017

WFP SCALE-UP:

- In October, WFP reached a record 7.3 million people with emergency assistance across Yemen. 6.5 million of these received assistance through food, while 855,000 were assisted through commodity vouchers. However, due to funding constraints, only 3.4 million of these received full rations, while the remaining 3.9 million people received reduced rations.

SUPPLY CHAIN / RESOURCING:

- Between 06-09 November a total blockade on all Yemen air, land and sea ports was enforced while a partial blockade for humanitarian and commercial cargo continued until 22 November. This prevented two WFP chartered vessels - carrying 25,000 mt of in-kind bulk wheat and 1,250 mt of cargo on behalf of WHO and UNICEF - from berthing. 390 humanitarian aid workers were prevented from using UNHAS to enter or leave the country.
- WFP welcomes the announced ending of the blockade and continues to monitor the functioning of ports and the impact of the blockade on food security. Average food prices have increased by 15 percent while fuel prices have skyrocketed. The blockade has put affected WFP's capacity to mill sufficient quantities of wheat to complete delivery of general food distributions on time.
- As of 26 November, WFP has 106,297 mt of food stocks in-country, 76 percent of which is wheat currently under milling. While wheat stocks are sufficient to cover December cereal needs, local milling capacity is strained and WFP will not have enough wheat flour produced in time to meet December requirements.
- WFP requires **US\$ 283 million** for the next six months

FOOD SECURITY SITUATION: OCTOBER 2017

- In October 2017, food consumption and dietary diversity have deteriorated across Yemen after two months of stability, with more than half of surveyed households facing inadequate food consumption.
- The recent tightening on the blockade in Yemen, and particularly the blockade of Al Hudaydah port, could worsen the food security situation in the coming months.

WFP OPERATIONS: EMOP 201068

ASSISTED IN OCTOBER: 7.3 MILLION WITH FOOD AND COMMODITY VOUCHERS	NOVEMBER PLAN: 6.26 MILLION PROJECT PLAN: 9.1 MILLION
FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS CLUSTER (OCT)*: Assisted: 7.67m (Targeted: 8m)**	

WFP Yemen Situation Report
(01-30 September 2017)

0.8 MILLION FACING SEVERE HUNGER (IPC 4)*

SOMALIA

3.1 MILLION NEED FOOD ASSISTANCE (IPC 3,4)*

*IPC, August 2017

WFP SCALE-UP:

- WFP Somalia reached 2.5 million beneficiaries in October, six times the number reached in January. Of those, over 1.1 million received cash-based transfers through vouchers or cash, through 850 retailers, injecting 13.2 million USD in the local economy.
- Additionally, 775,000 young children and PLWs received curative and preventative nutrition services.
- However, WFP is unable to sustain assistance at current levels due to limited funding, with severe implications for the food insecurity situation countrywide. WFP is facing a reduction and progressive scale-down of activities in the coming months.

SUPPLY CHAIN / RESOURCING:

- Insecurity in South Central Somalia remains the main supply chain constraint, coupled with the deteriorating infrastructure of airfields. WFP is in the process of rehabilitating several of the airstrips.
- WFP faces an imminent pipeline break for cash-based transfers to drought affected Somalis in December
- WFP requires **US\$ 206 million** for the next six months.

FOOD SECURITY SITUATION: NOVEMBER 2017

- More than three million people across Somalia face dangerous levels of hunger, while the number of those on the brink of famine has increased tenfold to over 800,000 since January.
- An estimated 388,000 children under age 5 are malnourished, including 87,000 severely malnourished who need life-saving treatment.
- WFP's September Drought Response Monitoring revealed that families receiving WFP assistance fared better than non-beneficiaries did.

WFP OPERATIONS: PRRO 200844

ASSISTED IN OCTOBER: 2.5 MILLION WITH FOOD, CASH AND NUTRITION INTERVENTIONS	NOVEMBER PLAN: 2.6 MILLION PROJECT PLAN: 3.7 MILLION
FOOD SECURITY AND LIVELIHOODS CLUSTER (OCT)*: Assisted: 3.11m (Targeted: 3.2m)**	

WFP Somalia Drought Response Situation Report
(17 August 2017)