





# WFP Afghanistan Situation Report

June 2025

# **Highlights**

- Mass arrivals of returnees from Iran, with high needs, are placing additional strain on already fragile communities.
   Daily arrivals average over 19,000, with a peak of 25,900 have been recorded. Resource constraints mean that we are able to reach only a small fraction of those needing assistance. Without a further injection of funding, returnee assistance will diminish and cease within a few weeks.
- **June Emergency Response:** WFP assisted 268 households affected by flooding in Badakhshan, Takhar, and Baghlan provinces, and supported 76 of 125 households displaced by cross-border conflict in Kunar's Nari district.
- Admissions of malnourished children and women into health centres are rising amid general food assistance cuts. WFP operating way under a minimum threshold is taking its toll. A serious drought has been declared in the North, and pressure on communities of return from Iran and Pakistan is driving up needs further. High excess mortality in the Winter months is a critical risk.

# **In Numbers**



**1.8 million people** reached with food and cash assistance in June



**US\$1.4 million** distributed to 200,000 people through cash-based transfers



**Women with children** across the country make up **80 percent** of WFP assistance

#### **SITUATION UPDATE**

- Integrated Food Security Phase
  Classification: The findings from the latest
  Integrated Food Security Phase Classification for
  acute food insecurity have been published.
  Projections for May to October 2025 indicate
  that 9.5 million people will face IPC Phase 3 and
  above (crisis and emergency levels of food
  insecurity), of which 1.6 million are in IPC Phase
  4 (emergency). However, a serious drought in
  the North and Northwest of the country,
  affecting 19 provinces, is now driving up these
  numbers.
- IPC Acute Malnutrition: Data from sentinel sites and admissions information from health centres indicate that earlier predictions on the number of acutely malnourished women and children may be surpassed.

- Impact of funding shortfall on nutrition response: Due to insufficient resources, WFP's activities aimed at preventing acute malnutrition were suspended in June, cutting off monthly support to an average of 100,000 children and 150,000 pregnant and breastfeeding women at one of the year's most critical periods.
- Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM) treatment
  was scaled back in 142 Targeted Supplementary
  Feeding Programme (TSFP) sites. These reductions
  affect 13,500 children with moderate acute
  malnutrition and 9,150 pregnant and breastfeeding
  women. Without additional funding, further closures
  can be expected.
- Returnee response: Afghan returnees from Iran have surged, with over 10,000 daily crossings between 15–22 June and 25,000 on 25 June alone. WFP and IOM issued a joint funding alert, with WFP requiring US\$5.8 million to assist returnees for July and August. Since January 2025, WFP has supported over 246,000 returnees from Iran and Pakistan with US\$2.9 million in cash and 288 mt of in-kind food, including fortified and nutritious commodities.
- The sudden influx exhausted fortified biscuit stocks at Islam Qala, prompting a temporary ration cut from 300g to 50g per person. Full distributions resumed on 26 June with new stocks, while Zaranj stocks remain sufficient through early July. A new influx is expected from Pakistan after the 30 June Proof of Registration card expiry. Our ability to respond is in jeopardy due to resource constraints.



Abdul Ahad Khan collects WFP food assistance for his family in Faryab, Afghanistan—a vital lifeline in times of crisis. ©WFP Afghanistan

# **WFP OPERATIONS**

In June, WFP assisted 1.8 million people across its operations with 9,000 mt of food and US\$1.4 million in cash-based transfers.



#### EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE

In June, WFP reached 400,000 vulnerable people with 5,700 mt of food and US\$1 million in cash assistance. An additional 185,000 returnees from Pakistan and Iran received fortified biscuits, and 27,000 were supported with US\$326,000 in cash for food. While returnees from Iran have increased sharply, only 11 percent of those who meet vulnerability criteria are receiving assistance due to funding shortfalls. WFP has thus far assisted 242,000 individuals.



# **NUTRITION**

- For the treatment of malnutrition, WFP provided 2,600 mt specialized nutritious food (SNF) to 540,000 children aged 6-59 months facing moderate acute malnutrition and acutely malnourished pregnant and breastfeeding women.
- For the prevention of acute malnutrition (mainly for the returnee response), WFP provided 34 mt of SNF to 16,000 children aged 6-59 months and pregnant and breastfeeding women.



# RESOURCE OVERVIEW

WFP Afghanistan is **5 percent** funded for the July to December 2025 period, with a net funding requirement of US\$604 million.

For stunting prevention, WFP provided 32 mt of Specialised Nutritious Foods to 15,500 children aged 6-23 months and pregnant and breastfeeding women.



# **SCHOOL FEEDING**

• In June, WFP's School Feeding Programme reached 597,000 primary schoolchildren across eight provinces. Of these, 497,900 received daily fortified biscuits while 99,000 benefited from the Home-Grown School Feeding (HGSF) initiative, which provided locally sourced meals such as Bread+ and Samosa.



#### **RESILIENCE AND FOOD SYSTEMS**

WFP's livelihoods initiatives continued to support in strengthening community resilience across Afghanistan. To initiate the 2025 project cycle, WFP has signed new agreements with cooperating partners, with many of them in the process of securing Memoranda of Understanding with the de facto authorities required for implementation.



# **MATERNAL AND CHILD BENEFIT PROGRAMME**

Through the World Bank-funded maternal and child benefit programme, approximately 6,500 pregnant women and mothers of children under the age of 5 years received social and behaviour change communication on nutrition, health, and immunization and **US\$396,000** in cash assistance.



# SUPPLY CHAIN AND LOGISTICS

In June, WFP dispatched **7,812 mt** of food to partners. Local procurement continued, including 134 mt of fortified biscuits and over 13,100 mt of wheat flour from domestic millers.



# **UN HUMANITARIAN AIR SERVICE (UNHAS)**

UNHAS operated a total of 192 flights and facilitated the movement of 1,091 passengers. In addition, **2.500 mt** of humanitarian cargo were transported. Furthermore, a MEDEVAC flight was successfully conducted.

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