

Requesting Organization :	World Food Programme	
Allocation Type :	1st Round Standard Allocation	
Primary Cluster	Sub Cluster	Percentage
NUTRITION		100.00
		100
Project Title :	Nutrition assistance for relief and recovery supporting transition and enhancing capabilities of vulnerable populations in Northern Bahr el Ghazal.	
Allocation Type Category :	Core pipeline	

OPS Details			
Project Code :		Fund Project Code :	SSD-16/HSS10/SA1/N/UN/767
Cluster :		Project Budget in US\$:	250,000.00
Planned project duration :	3 months	Priority:	
Planned Start Date :	01/02/2016	Planned End Date :	30/04/2016
Actual Start Date:	01/02/2016	Actual End Date:	30/04/2016

Project Summary :

Malnutrition indicators are high across South Sudan. Over 70 percent of the acutely malnourished Pregnant and Lactating Women (PLWs) who are in need of treatment for acute malnutrition are in the States which are not directly affected by the current conflict. Northern Bahr el Ghazal has the highest prevalence in country with 39.9% of women being wasted. Under this project, WFP, in coordination with NGO partners, will provide targeted supplementary feeding to 9,725 Pregnant and Lactating Women in Northern Bahr el Ghazal to treat acute malnutrition.

Recognizing women's physiological vulnerability during pregnancy and lactation, the program will provide a nutritious supplement to acutely malnourished PLWs to ensure they stay healthy during this period. Given the chronic nature of malnutrition in Northern Bar El Ghazal, WFP will leverage Community Nutrition Volunteers (CNVs) to provide nutrition education on infant and young child feeding practices. Moreover, through other sources of funding, WFP will implement complementary interventions to address chronic food insecurity among the targeted population. These interventions include preventative Blanket Supplementary Feeding for children under two years of age as well as for PLWs, as well as Food/Cash Assistance for Assets which helps restoring and enhancing livelihoods and build resilience of targeted communities.

As the sole pipeline provider of the commodities for the treatment of MAM, WFP will preposition strategically during the dry season to ensure timely dispatches of commodities to distribution sites.

Direct beneficiaries :

Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total
0	9,725	0	0	9,725

Other Beneficiaries :

Beneficiary name	Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total
Pregnant and Lactating Women	0	9,725	0	0	9,725

Indirect Beneficiaries :

Catchment Population:

Link with allocation strategy :

The project will contribute towards Strategic Objective 1 of the Nutrition Cluster: Deliver quality lifesaving management of acute malnutrition for at least 70% of SAM and 75% of MAM in girls and boys 6-59 months, PLWs and the elderly. Addressing malnutrition, WFP will contribute to curb one of the main drivers of humanitarian needs identified in the Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) for 2015. It will also be aligned with and contribute to the first strategic objective of the Strategic Response Plan (SRP) for 2016; Save lives and alleviate suffering through safe access to services and resources with dignity. WFP is currently providing nutrition assistance in Northern Bahr el Ghazal, as the lead agency and sole provider of nutrition pipeline for treatment of acute malnutrition. This project will ensure this assistance will be continued to the most vulnerable persons, specifically to pregnant and lactating mothers in this state by enhancing WFP's pipeline, as it is currently expected to break in March 2015 onwards.

Sub-Grants to Implementing Partners :

Partner Name	Partner Type	Budget in US\$
ACF	International NGO	21,455.00
		21,455.00

Other funding secured for the same project (to date) :

Other Funding Source	Other Funding Amount

Organization focal point :

Name	Title	Email	Phone
Shaun Hughes	Head of Programme	shaun.hughes@wfp.org	0910465254

BACKGROUND**1. Humanitarian context analysis**

The nutrition situation in Northern Bahr el Ghazal is very concerning. According to the September 2015 IPC report, Northern Bahr el Ghazal has the worst nutrition indicators in the country. GAM rate among children under 5 is estimated at 24.2% while 39.9% of women are wasted. County level nutrition surveys conducted in Aweil Centre and Aweil South found that those two states had very critical levels of malnutrition, with GAM rates over 30%. In the other counties, the data triangulation process conducted through the IPC shows GAM rates are at critical level of more than 20%. The key factors contributing to the poor nutrition status include poor food consumption and inadequate maternal/child care. The persistent inter-communal conflicts in parts of the Greater Bahr el Ghazal region and the increasing food prices have also compromised access to and consumption of food, affecting maternal and child nutrition. Additionally, the state has registered very high levels of morbidity among children and wasting among women. Despite of the serious nutrition conditions, the state has not been receiving adequate support as the donor attention tends to focus on the directly conflict-affected states in the Greater Upper Nile region. As the malnutrition level is already high in the current post-harvest season, the nutrition status in the state may further deteriorate during the coming lean season. Based on this information, the nutrition cluster has projected a total caseload of 39,238 PLWs in 2016 which represent 21% of the national caseload.

2. Needs assessment**3. Description Of Beneficiaries**

The targeted supplementary feeding program aims at treating acute malnutrition among pregnant and lactating women. Through community nutrition volunteers (CNVs), women are screened at community level using MUAC and referred to health facilities for appropriate treatment if identified as malnourished. Women going prenatal and antenatal care at facility level will also be screened and referred for appropriate treatment.

4. Grant Request Justification

PLWs are core targets for both treatment and prevention nutrition activities as per the first 1000 days approach; it is proven that nutrition support to pregnant women in the last trimester can positively impact the nutritional status of the unborn child. WFP is the only organization offering treatment of acute malnutrition to PLWs across South Sudan. The project has been ongoing and will continue using the CHF allocation which will ensure that the most vulnerable will continue to receive the critical nutrition assistance.

5. Complementarity**LOGICAL FRAMEWORK****Overall project objective**

Save lives by treating acute malnutrition in vulnerable groups in Northern Bahr el Ghazal.

NUTRITION

Cluster objectives	Strategic Response Plan (SRP) objectives	Percentage of activities
CO1: Deliver quality lifesaving management of acute malnutrition for the most vulnerable and at risk	HRP 2016 SO1: Save lives and alleviate suffering through safe access to services and resources with dignity	100

Contribution to Cluster/Sector Objectives : The project will contribute towards Strategic Objective 1 of the Nutrition Cluster: Deliver quality lifesaving management of acute malnutrition for at least 70% of SAM and 75% of MAM in girls and boys 6-59 months, PLWs and the elderly. As the lead agency with the mandate to treat acute malnutrition, WFP's target are perfectly aligned to the caseload projection of the cluster.

Outcome 1

Percentage of PLWs with Acute Malnutrition admitted for treatment that recovered > 75%

Output 1.1

Description							
Number and proportion of PLWs with acute malnutrition newly admitted for treatment							
Assumptions & Risks							
Security situation does not deteriorate. Partner/s have sufficient capacity for implementation. Commodities are prepositioned timely.							
Activities							
Activity 1.1.1							
Optimize community outreach and referral through training of community nutrition volunteers. Provision of incentives to CNVs.							
Activity 1.1.2							
Implementation of MAM treatment. Women screened (MUAC) at community level and referred to health facilities if identified as malnourished for appropriate treatment. Women going prenatal and antenatal care at facility level will also be screened and referred for appropriate treatment. Optimizing existing TSFP sites by ensuring implementation of TSFP PLW in the TSFP services for children							
Activity 1.1.3							
Distribution monitoring and reporting							
Activity 1.1.4							
Technical support supervision and reports compilation							
Indicators							
Code	Cluster	Indicator	End cycle beneficiaries				End cycle
			Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Target
Indicator 1.1.1	NUTRITION	Estimated number of PLWs reached by supplementary feeding					9,725
Means of Verification : Nutrition cluster's report, WFP partners' reports							
Indicator 1.1.2	NUTRITION	Performance of PLW program - Overall PLW program cure rate (SPHERE standards >75%)					9,725
Means of Verification : Nutrition cluster report							
Indicator 1.1.3	NUTRITION	Frontline services # Children (under-5) admitted for the treatment of Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM)			0	9,725	9,725
						5	
Means of Verification : Nutrition Cluster report							
Note that the targeted population is PLWs, not children under 5, but there is no appropriate standard indicators in the list for this output. As the system does not allow any output without any standard indicator, the closest indicator was chosen to allow the submission.							
Indicator 1.1.4	NUTRITION	Performance of PLW program - Overall PLW program death rate					9,725
Means of Verification : Nutrition cluster report							
Indicator 1.1.5	NUTRITION	Performance of PLW program - Overall PLW program default rate					9,725
Means of Verification : Nutrition Cluster report							
Indicator 1.1.6	NUTRITION	Procurement of nutrition products					146
Means of Verification : WFP's annual Standard Project Report							
Output 1.2							
Description							
Total tonnage of Supercereal (CSB+) distributed							
Assumptions & Risks							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The current infrastructure for the nutrition response will be maintained, despite the fluidity in funding windows and different duration of funding sources • Funding will be available to cover the additional costs for scale up and to address fuel price increases. Short term funding will be complimented by medium to longer term funding modalities so that human resources can be attracted and retained, and that programming can enhance preparedness and capacity while delivering emergency response • Partners are able to hire adequate human resources to operationalize their scale up plans • Human resources will remain fairly stable, so that there is limited loss of impact from capacity building and training • There is no further deterioration in access • Logistics options will not decline substantially and increases in fuel and rental prices will be addressed. 							
Activities							
Activity 1.2.1							
Timely procurement of commodities							
Activity 1.2.2							
Timely deliveries of commodities to partners							
Activity 1.2.3							
Monitoring project implementation							
Indicators							

Code	Cluster	Indicator	End cycle beneficiaries				End cycle
			Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Target
Indicator 1.2.1	NUTRITION	Core pipeline Estimated # of PLWs reached by supplies from pipeline		9,725			9,725

Means of Verification : Partners' report

Additional Targets :

M & R

Monitoring & Reporting plan

Monitoring of the activities will be conducted through monthly supervision at the project sites, which is a shared responsibility between WFP and its partner to ensure that processes are adhered to the guidelines. All data will be captured through digital devices in the field and uploaded for analysis at the office. Quantitative and qualitative monitoring findings are routinely reported to the programme and management teams in Juba through weekly reports from the Sub-Office.

WFP logistics unit tracks food stock movements on a daily basis throughout the supply chain, and also records receipt and dispatch from respective warehouses. Daily, weekly and monthly logistics reports are compiled for close monitoring of commodity movements. Partners submit monthly distribution reports to WFP with output data including total beneficiaries and the quantity of commodities provided. As indicated in the Field Level Agreements, WFP will ensure timely and quality reports from partners through on-going negotiations with partners. WFP nutrition partners also utilize the nutrition cluster reporting system through which both WFP and the cluster can access the monthly performance reports. WFP also holds regular meetings with its partners to review performance and achievements of the project, which provides additional information on the status of the project implementation as well as validates findings during the field monitoring missions.

WFP annually completes a Standard Project Report (SPR) for all project documents, including its Protracted Relief and Recovery Operation (PRRO) under which this proposal falls. In addition, WFP conducts After Action Reviews and submit a CHF final financial and narrative report.

Workplan

Activitydescription	Year	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Activity 1.1.1: Optimize community outreach and referral through training of community nutrition volunteers. Provision of incentives to CNVs.	2016			X	X								
Activity 1.1.2: Implementation of MAM treatment. Women screened (MUAC) at community level and referred to health facilities if identified as malnourished for appropriate treatment. Women going prenatal and antenatal care at facility level will also be screened and referred for appropriate treatment. Optimizing existing TSFP sites by ensuring implementation of TSFP PLW in the TSFP services for children	2016			X	X								
Activity 1.1.3: Distribution monitoring and reporting	2016			X	X								
Activity 1.1.4: Technical support supervision and reports compilation	2016			X	X								
Activity 1.2.1: Timely procurement of commodities	2016		X										
Activity 1.2.2: Timely deliveries of commodities to partners	2016		X										
Activity 1.2.3: Monitoring project implementation	2016			X	X								

OTHER INFO

Accountability to Affected Populations

WFP has augmented its efforts to alleviate protection risks in its emergency operations including development and dissemination of protection and gender sensitive tools and guidelines at the field-level. WFP will implement a "do no harm" programmatic approach in meeting the needs of the beneficiaries. This includes ensuring that the operations are in line with WFP's protection policy. It also includes liaising with local authorities to ensure that both parties are aware of WFP's planned activities and humanitarian principles. A Protection Advisor with field experience has been recruited to provide technical guidance to the Country Office. Further, through the Post Distribution Monitoring and on-site distribution monitoring, WFP will continue to collect feedback from its beneficiaries on the project activities, including how the distribution was conducted, if the right amount and quality of food was provided and if it was utilized properly. Also, throughout the project implementation process, the Community Nutrition Volunteers will visit all the targeted communities regularly. Their primary role includes obtaining feedback from the community members and inform to the project management team.

Implementation Plan

The Cooperating Partner, which will be the Action Against Hunger (ACF) in this project, will undertake distribution, screening, follow-up, referral, training to CNVs, and nutrition education and sensitization activities. WFP will remain accountable for procurement, transportation of commodities, targeting, monitoring, and reporting. WFP will also supervise the project implementation process, including to ensure that protective measures are aligned with its Corporate guidelines.

Coordination with other Organizations in project area

Name of the organization	Areas/activities of collaboration and rationale
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Environment Marker Of The Project

Gender Marker Of The Project

2a-The project is designed to contribute significantly to gender equality

Justify Chosen Gender Marker Code

The project activity is centred on women as they are the targeted population and are suffering from acute malnutrition. In addition, women are typically the primary caretakers of households in South Sudan, and it has been shown that improvement in women's health and nutritional status can result in improvement in the health and nutritional status of the household, including young children.

The nutrition sensitization sessions target a larger audience including men to encourage and potentially increase support towards women in applying best feeding practices. Moreover, WFP is fully committed to the United Nations System Wide Action Plan (UNSWAP) standards to sustainably promote gender equality and the empowerment of women across all its operations.

Protection Mainstreaming

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Country Specific Information

Safety and Security

The situation in areas of implementation are reported calm. In regard to Security Risk Management, international and essential national staff are required to complete Safe and Secure Access to Field Environment training. Given the particular risk posed to South Sudanese nationals, WFP national staff have been given the opportunity to redeploy within the country to ensure their safety and operational continuity. WFP, in coordination with UNDSS, rigorously monitors the security situation and flexibly adapts the operational scope as required. The WFP-managed UNHAS will continue to be critical in ensuring staff safety should further evacuation or redeployments be required.

Based on lessons learned and the current operational context, WFP has classified potential pre-positioning sites according to security risk categories (high, medium, and low), historic trend of the level of looting and misappropriation, and road access vis a vis crossing frontlines and corresponding implications. Consequently, pre-positioning sites --- identified as low risk --- have been selected for 2016. It is envisioned that commodities stored in these locations have a low risk of looting or misappropriation.

Access

The WFP-managed UNHAS will continue to be critical in accessing the locations. Implementation will take place during the dry season in early 2016; as such, no significant weather disturbance is expected to hamper operations.

BUDGET

Code	Budget Line Description	D / S	Quantity	Unit cost	Duration Recurrence	% charged to CHF	Total Cost
1.1	Programme Officer (International)	D	1	17,975.00	2	15%	5,392.50
	<i>Standard UN P3 rate. The position is based in Juba and will oversee project implementation.</i>						
1.2	Programme Officer (International)	D	1	13,105.00	2	35%	9,173.50
	<i>Standard UN P2 rate. The position is field-based nutritionist who oversees the project activities, participate in coordination meetings and meet with partners regularly. The position will also conduct field-based monitoring.</i>						
1.3	Logistics Officers	D	3	2,419.00	2	15%	2,177.10
	<i>The position is based in the field.</i>						
1.4	Drivers	S	2	1,850.00	2	25%	1,850.00
	<i>Two drivers for the field missions required.</i>						
1.5	Programme (National)	D	1	5,967.00	2	15%	1,790.10
	<i>The position is based in Juba and support monitoring of outputs as well as track commodity movements.</i>						
1.6	Programme (National)	D	1	5,967.00	2	25%	2,983.50
	<i>The position is based in the field and will conduct field monitoring, commodity tracking, day-to-day communication with the partners.</i>						
	Section Total						23,366.70

Supplies, Commodities, Materials							
2.1	SuperCereal (CSB+)	D	145.88	435.00	1	100%	63,457.80
2.2	Landslide, Transport, Storage, and Handling	D	145.88	774.85	1	100%	113,035.12
2.3	Ocean Transport	D	145.88	48.00	1	100%	7,002.24
Section Total							183,495.16
Contractual Services							
4.1	Transfers to partner for distribution and monitoring	D	1	21,455.00	1	100%	21,455.00
<i>Partner is ACF. Costs are based on average estimates as the implementation of similar agreements with cooperating partners for nutrition programmes. However, these costs are estimated and actual agreements will need to be renegotiated and thus the actual values will not be finalized until the agreements with the cooperating partners are signed.</i>							
Section Total							21,455.00
Travel							
5.1	Travel (field monitoring)	D	1	5,328.00	1	100%	5,328.00
<i>DSA: US\$ 91*4 staff * 6 days/month *2 months Fuel: US\$ 960</i>							
Section Total							5,328.00
SubTotal			448.64				233,644.86
Direct							231,794.86
Support							1,850.00
PSC Cost							
PSC Cost Percent							7%
PSC Amount							16,355.14
Total Cost							250,000.00
Grand Total CHF Cost							250,000.00
Project Locations							
Location	Estimated percentage of budget for each location	Estimated number of beneficiaries for each location					Activity Name
		Men	Women	Boys	Girls	Total	
Northern Bahr el Ghazal	100						
Documents							
Category Name				Document Description			