**SCHOOL MEAL/FEEDING PROGRAM(S)**

Most recently completed school year: September 2017 - July 2018 (180 school days)

- National School Feeding Program (Programme National d’Alimentation Scolaire)

**Lead Agency:** National Directorate of School Canteens (Direction Nationale des Cantines Scolaires, Ministère de l’Education)

**COMPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES**

- Handwashing with soap
- Height measurement
- Deworming treatment
- Eye testing/eyeglasses

**Prohibited food items:** None

**COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS**

- Nutrition
- Food and agriculture
- Reproductive health
- Hygiene
- HIV prevention
- = mandatory

**FOOD SOURCES**

- Purchased (domestic)
- Purchased (foreign)
- In-kind (domestic)
- In-kind (foreign)

**MEALS/SNACKS/MODALITY**

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Snacks
- Take-home rations
- Conditional cash transfer

- Grains/cereals
- Roots, tubers
- Legumes and nuts
- Dairy products
- Eggs
- Meat
- Poultry
- Fish
- Green, leafy vegetables
- Other vegetables
- Fruits
- Oil
- Salt
- Sugar

**SPECIAL NOTES**

Some UNESCO data was used to complete this report.

NR = No Response

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**INFRASTRUCTURE**

School meals are prepared on-site in open cooking areas with charcoal or wood stoves. All schools have latrines, some schools have clean water, few have electricity, and very few—if any—have dedicated spaces for meals.

**BUDGET**

Total: USD 20,000,000

- National government: USD 2,400,000
- International donors*: USD 17,600,000
- Private sector: USD 0
- Other donors: USD 0

*Contributions by United Nations agencies or non-governmental organizations often represent funding from multiple donors.

**COVERAGE:**

Total number primary and secondary school-age children: 3,409,791

- Receiving school food: 614,475
- Food was also provided to some students in:
  - Pre-schools
  - Vocational/trade schools
  - University/higher education
  - Other

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NUTRITION

School feeding program(s) include/involve the following:

- Fortified foods
- Bio-fortified foods
- Micronutrient supplements
- Nutritionists involved
- Special training for cooks/caterers in nutrition
- Objective to meet nutritional goals
- Objective to reduce obesity

Food items fortified:
Grains/cereal, oil, salt, dairy

Micronutrients added to fortified foods:
Iron, Vitamin A, Iodine, Zinc, Folate, Vitamin C, E, B1, B2, B6, B9, B12, D3, Selenium

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

World Food Program nutritionists provide technical support in terms of analysis of the food basket and have given guidance on the introduction of moringa as green leaves. They have played a critical part in advocating for the fortification policy. Training is provided to cooks in menu planning and food quality.

AGRICULTURE, EMPLOYMENT, AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Jobs created by school feeding programs

- NR Cooks and food preparers
- Yes Transporters
- Yes Off-site processors
- Yes Food packagers and handlers
- NR Monitoring
- NR Food service management
- NR Safety and quality inspectors
- NR Other

Farmers were involved with the school feeding program(s)...

- Yes
- No
- NR

Other private sector (for profit) actors were involved...

- Yes
- No
- NR

There was a focus on creating jobs or leadership or income-generating opportunities for...

- Women
- Youth
- Other groups

There was community engagement (by parents or others) in the school feeding program(s)

- Yes
- No
- NR

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Local purchase through cooperatives for cereals and pulses comprise 30% of the food commodities used in the program. Women comprise 60% of the cooperatives, and gender balance on the cooperatives' boards is a requirement. Small-scale farmers are engaged in the school feeding program and are supported with agricultural subsidies, agricultural extension, and training related to the program. Medium- and large-scale farms are also offered forward contracts (purchase agreements set prior to harvest). Private companies are involved in food processing, transport, and the provision of supplies (e.g., utensils).

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SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

Burundi reports the following recent successes linked to their school meal program:
- Introduction of farm-sourced dairy, launched by the President of the Republic
- Government endorsement of the national policy of school feeding
- The annual financial contribution to the program has increased by 71%
- Increasing commitment of communities to support the program
- Stronger involvement of the private sector
  - Construction of fuel-efficient stoves
  - Food fortification
- Local purchase of food commodities through smallholder farmers

Challenges reported by Burundi include:
- Only 25% of enrolled school children are fed
- Difficulty in finding clean energy to cook the food
- Inadequate infrastructure in schools (e.g., cafeterias or storage areas)
- Despite a zero tolerance policy, there have been cases of theft.
NATIONAL SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAM
PROGRAMME NATIONAL D’ALIMENTATION SCOLAIRE

Lead implementer(s): Ministry of Education and Technical and Professional Training, Ministère de l'Education Nationale, de l'Enseignement Technique et de la Formation Professionnelle

OBJECTIVES:
- To meet educational goals
- To provide a social safety net
- To meet nutritional and/or health goals
- To meet agricultural goals

MODALITIES OF PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH FOOD:
- In-school meals
- Five days per week during the school year

TARGETING:
Geographic

HOW MANY STUDENTS RECEIVED SCHOOL FOOD IN 2017-18 SCHOOL YEAR?

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FOOD ITEMS:
- Grains/cereals*
- Legumes and nuts
- Dairy products*
- Other vegetables
- Salt*
- Oil*
* fortified

FOOD SOURCES:
- 95% Purchased (domestic)
- 0% Purchased (foreign)
- 5% In-kind (domestic)
- 0% In-kind (foreign)

NOTES:
The World Food Program supported the program, with funding from SRAC Multilateral Funds, the Dutch Kingdom, the Monaco Principality, and the European Union. Unfortunately, of the 2,400,000 enrolled students targeted, only 25% received food due to the lack of financial resources. Schools not supported by the program saw decreased enrollment and students shifting to enroll in schools that were supported by the program. In 2016, facilities reducing firewood needs by 40% were introduced in 267 schools.