School Meal/Feeding Program(s)

Most recently completed school year: September 2017 – June 2018 (160 days for Primary schools and 180 days for Secondary schools)

- National School Snack Program; National School Feeding program for Special school

Lead Agency:
Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Sport

National Laws, Policies, and Standards

- National school feeding policy
- Nutrition
- Food safety
- Agriculture
- Private sector involvement

Line item in the national budget...

Yes  No NR

Budget

Total: USD 13,684,763.4616
- National government: USD 13,684,763.4616
- International donors*: N/A
- Private sector: N/A
- Other donors: N/A

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

Infrastructure

All schools have electricity, piped water, clean water, and kitchens. Most schools have latrines or flush toilets. Some schools have dedicated eating spaces/cafeterias. School meals were prepared on site (on school grounds) and items like juice, milk, cookies, and cereals were purchased from the market.

Complementary Activities

- Handwashing with soap
- Height measurement
- Deworming treatment
- Eye testing/eyeglasses
- Hearing testing/treatment
- Dental cleaning/testing
- Menstrual hygiene
- Drinking water
- Water purification

Complementary Education Programs

- Nutrition
- Physical education
- School gardens
- Food and agriculture
- Reproductive health
- Hygiene
- HIV prevention
- = mandatory

The checked and highlighted items are reported as required, though they may not be uniformly implemented.

Meals/Snacks/Modality

- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Snacks
- Take-home rations
- Conditional cash transfer
- Fish
- Green, leafy vegetables
- Other vegetables
- Fruits
- Oil
- Salt
- Sugar

Prohibited food items: fast food, sugary food, soft drinks

Food Sources

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

Children Receiving Food, 2017-18

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<th># Enrolled</th>
<th># Receiving Food</th>
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<td>338,563</td>
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<td>365,463</td>
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<td>704,026</td>
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Coverage: Primary and Secondary School-Age Children

Total number primary and secondary school-age children: 704,026
Receiving school food: 309,355
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:
None

Micronutrients added to fortified foods:
None

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Although obesity is considered a problem, no approaches were used to prevent or mitigate overweight/obesity.

SPECIAL NOTES

The National School Snacks program started in the year 2006 for all primary school students (Grade 1-5). About 652 private schools and 146 public schools participate in the school feeding program.

There are provisions to monitor the school feeding programme: Bi-annual school visits and annual electronic and paper-based reporting.

AGRICULTURE, EMPLOYMENT, AND COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Jobs created by school feeding programs

- [ ] NR Cooks and food preparers
- [ ] NR Transporters
- [ ] NR Off-site processors
- [ ] NR 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

The dieticians were paid by the National Government.

- 100% of the schools had on-site kitchens.
- There was a competitive tendering and bidding procedures for small companies

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SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

Positive developments:
- Provisions were made to provide meal for disabled children to improve their nutritional status
- Students attendance increased

STUDIES CONDUCTED

National Nutrition Survey

RESEARCH NEEDED

NR
NATIONAL SCHOOL SNACK PROGRAM

Lead implementer(s): Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Sport

OBJECTIVES:
- To meet nutritional and/or health goals

MODALITIES OF PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH FOOD:
- Snacks five times a week for nine months in a year

TARGETING:
Universal (100%)

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

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FOOD ITEMS:
- Grains/cereals
- * fortified

FOOD SOURCES:
- 60% Purchased (domestic)
- 40% Purchased (foreign)
- 0% In-kind (domestic)
- 0% In-kind (foreign)

NOTES:
Special trainings were given to the cooks/caterers on nutrition, menu planning and food safety/hygiene. The students participated in the preparation, serving and/or cleaning-up for the school feeding program.

NATIONAL SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAM FOR SPECIAL SCHOOL

Lead implementer(s): Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Sport

OBJECTIVES:
- To meet nutritional and/or health goals

MODALITIES OF PROVIDING STUDENTS WITH FOOD:
- In-school meals five days in a week

TARGETING:
Disabled children

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

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FOOD ITEMS:
- Grains/cereals
- Green, leafy vegetables
- Salt
- Dairy products
- Other vegetables
- Sugar
- Meat
- Oil
- * fortified

FOOD SOURCES:
- 60% Purchased (domestic)
- 40% Purchased (foreign)
- 0% In-kind (domestic)
- 0% In-kind (foreign)

NOTES:
Six public boarding schools are covered by this National School Feeding Program for Special School.