

Strengthening food systems to recover from emergencies and disease-related shocks through the *Build Back Better* programme



FACTSHEET

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BUDGET: US\$100,000.00

KEY PARTNERS: JICA ,UNICEF, WFP, FAO

OBJECTIVES

The project's objective is in line with the JSB priority : support for humanitarian needs - food security and nutrition and COVID19 prevention of spread - supply of hand washing facility, COVID 19: Socio-economic - Livelihood support including food security and income generation for vulnerable people.

PROJECT OUTPUTS

Output 1: Support safe markets and hygiene infrastructure in informal food markets in response to COVID-19, to safeguard the livelihoods of the vendors.

Output 2: Restructuring of the urban informal market sector to strengthen local food supply chain mechanisms to enable aggregated and sustainable product supply.

Output 3: Institutional Capacity: Enabling policy framework and capacitate institutions responsible for administration, regulating and monitoring food supply systems in place.

CONTRIBUTION TO SDGS

The project will contribute to SDGs:
1, 2, 3, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 17



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DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGES

The unforeseen, yet persistent COVID-19 pandemic presents a humanitarian crisis threatening food security and nutrition of over half a million Namibians who were already exposed to hunger and malnutrition prior to the outbreak.

The United Nations policy brief on the Impact of COVID-19 on Food Security and Nutrition (June 2020) cautions that unless immediate action is taken to secure food for the hundreds of people who were already suffering from hunger and malnutrition, we will face a global food emergency.

The national statistics on food and nutrition security in Namibia are worrying with levels of stunting standing at 24 percent, meaning that one-quarter of the Namibian children are born malnourished and with impaired mental and physical growth. Indications are that between April and September 2020 period alone, about 360 000 people will experience severe acute food insecurity.