

Mainstreaming protection in food security interventions



A PERSPECTIVE FROM WFP

Quality programming or protection mainstreaming?

Overall operational context:
advocacy, coordination and referrals

Protection in a food insecurity context:
maximizing food assistance outcomes

In WFP operations:
quality programming with protection
lens

WFP's role in protection



Designing and carrying out food and livelihood assistance activities that do not increase the protection risks faced by the crisis-affected populations receiving assistance, but rather, **contribute to the safety, dignity and integrity of vulnerable people.**

What aspects of protection does WFP contribute to?



Protection is:

- an **objective**;
- a **legal responsibility**; and
- an **activity**.

Coordination and partnerships



Capacity building

- Context and risk analysis
- Staff capacity for understanding and responding to protection concerns stemming from programmes

Operational response

- Incorporating protection in programme tools
- Design and implementation with a protection lens

Inter-agency cooperation

- Food security partners
- Protection actors