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Executive Summary

Introduction

EVALUATION FEATURES

1. Country strategic plan (CSP) evaluations are the primary instrument for accountability and learning in accordance with the expectations of the WFP Executive Board and WFP management. They provide evidence of WFP's strategic positioning and results to inform the design of the next generation of CSPs and potentially contribute to the design of United Nations sustainable development cooperation frameworks.
2. The evaluation of the United Republic of Tanzania CSP for 2017–2021 was conducted between March and November 2021.¹ It covered WFP activities from 2015 to mid-2021. It assessed the nature and success of the CSP design process, the extent to which the CSP introduced strategic shifts and the implications of such shifts for performance and results. The primary users of the evaluation are the WFP country office and its internal and external stakeholders, including beneficiaries.
3. The evaluation adopted a mixed-methods approach using a variety of primary and secondary sources, including a desk review, key informant interviews and e-surveys. Findings were triangulated to avoid bias in evaluative judgment. Due to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic precautions and protocols, in-country work was not possible and the evaluation was conducted remotely. Findings, conclusions and recommendations were discussed with internal stakeholders during an online workshop in November 2021.

CONTEXT

4. The United Republic of Tanzania is a resource-rich, lower-middle-income country² with a population of 63.3 million³ that is predominantly rural (65 percent)⁴ and young, with children under 14 representing 43.4 percent of the population.
5. Food security is a major economic and social problem; with a Global Hunger Index score of 25 (2020), hunger in the country is classified as "serious".⁵ The country is vulnerable to climate risks; droughts are frequent and have devastating impacts on the economy, agricultural output and food security.
6. The real gross domestic product growth rate fell from 5.8 percent in 2019 to 2 percent in 2020 due to the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic. It was expected to recover to 4.5 percent in 2021, below its long-term potential of about 6 percent.⁶
7. The United Republic of Tanzania was host to 225,252 refugees and 27,788 asylum-seekers as of June 2021, the majority from Burundi (69 percent) and the Democratic Republic of the Congo (31 percent).⁷ In 2018 the Government withdrew from the comprehensive refugee response framework.

¹ In 2021 the CSP was extended one year to ensure alignment with the starting date of the new United Nations sustainable development cooperation framework, which is 1 July 2022.

² Serajuddin, Umar and N. Hamadeh. 2020. *New World Bank country classifications by income level: 2020–2021*.

³ United Nations Population Fund. *World Population Dashboard: Tanzania, United Republic of*.

⁴ World Bank Data. *Rural Population (% of total population) – Tanzania*.

⁵ *Global Hunger Index 2020: Tanzania*.

⁶ World Bank. *The World Bank in Tanzania*.

⁷ Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. *Tanzania Refugee Population Update* as of 30 June 2021.

TABLE 1: SOCIOECONOMIC INDICATORS			
	Indicator	Value	Year
	Population total (millions) (1)	63.3	2022
	Share of agriculture in gross domestic product (percentage) (2)	27	2020
	Human Development Index (rank) (3)	163 of 189 countries	2020
	Poverty headcount ratio at USD 1.90 a day (2011 purchasing power parity) (percentage) (2)	49.4	2018
	Global Hunger Index (score) (4)	25	2020
	Height-for-age (stunting – moderate and severe), prevalence for children under 5 (percentage) (5)	31.8	2018
	Global acute malnutrition, prevalence for children under 5 (percentage) (5)	3.5	2018
	Prevalence of HIV, total (percentage of population age 15–49) (6)	4.7	2020
	Gender Development Index (score) (3)	0.948	2019
	Enrolment of primary school children (percentage) (7)	81	2020

Sources: (1) United Nations Population Fund, *World Population Dashboard: Tanzania, United Republic of*; (2) World Bank Data, 2020; (3) United Nations Development Programme, *Human Development Report 2020*; (4) *Global Hunger Index 2020: Tanzania*; (5) Government of the United Republic of Tanzania, *Tanzania National Nutrition Survey 2018: final report*; (6) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS, 2020, *United Republic of Tanzania Factsheet*; (7) United Nations Children's

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