

 Early Warning System

AFDB-P-ZW-AA0-022

ZIMBABWE - Humanitarian and Food Security Response to Mitigate the
Effects of the El Nino Induced Drought



Quick Facts

Countries	Zimbabwe
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-10-02
Borrower	Government of Zimbabwe
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 1.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 1.00 million



Project Description

According to bank provided information, Zimbabwe is currently facing the impact of an El Nino-induced drought, which has significantly impacted food and nutrition security outcomes, agriculture production, and livelihoods. The imminent threat of a humanitarian crisis, resulting from the cumulative impact of harvest loss, the country's emergence from the lean season, and the ongoing economic crisis, drives the urgency of the situation in Zimbabwe, as highlighted by the president of Zimbabwe in his state of disaster declaration of April 3, 2024. This proposal directly responds to the call by the President of the Republic of Zimbabwe. Following this appeal for humanitarian assistance from cooperating partners, the African Development Bank has partnered with WFP to submit this proposal for funds under the Bank's Special Relief Fund (SRF) to provide emergency assistance that will enable the partnership to complement the government's response and provide lifesaving assistance to the food-insecure people affected by the impact of El Nino. This request fits within the parameters of AfDB's revised policy guidelines and procedures for emergency relief assistance (ADB/BD/WP/2008/211/Rev. 1-AADF/BD/WP/2008/173/Rev. 1).

The project aims to supplement the government's and other humanitarian partners' efforts to save lives and protect livelihoods in the current drought-related crisis. We will achieve this objective by providing emergency food transfers. In response to the appeal, the Bank will contribute USD 1 million through SRF, while WFP will deploy its field capacity to provide relief and emergency food assistance to an estimated 22,120 target beneficiaries.

An estimated 22,120 food insecure people will receive food assistance over a three-month period with support from the bank's SRF to address essential needs, thereby enabling them to mitigate the deterioration of their food and nutrition security. Every month, each beneficiary will receive 8.5kg of cereal, 1.7kg of pulses, and 0.6kg of vegetable oil as a food basket ration.



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Investment Description

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Bank Documents

- [Appraisal Report](#)