SÃO TOMÉ AND PRÍNCIPE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT 200295

Transitioning towards a nationally owned school feeding and health programme in São Tomé and Príncipe	
Number of beneficiaries	43 200[1]
Duration of project	5 years (2012 – 2016)
WFP food tonnage	3 997 mt
Cost (United States dollars)	
WFP food cost	1 880 704
WFP cash/voucher cost	0
Total cost to WFP	**4 966 331**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

After 30 years of implementing a school feeding programme in the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe, WFP is preparing to transition its school feeding programme to the Government. This follows the establishment of a National School Feeding and Health Programme with WFP's advocacy and support in 2010, and the National Assembly's approval of a school feeding and health policy in February 2011.

A decentralised evaluation of WFP's ongoing school feeding activities and an internal evaluation of the Government's capacities have highlighted that significant progress is still needed in three main areas: (i) funding, (ii) implementation and monitoring, and (iii) accountability, in order to ensure a successful transfer of responsibilities to the Government.

This development project will focus on supporting the development of the Government's capacity to successfully manage a national school feeding programme while phasing the transfer of responsibilities for providing a daily hot meal to 43,200 school children from WFP's school feeding programme.

The timeline for the transition has been established in consultation with the Government, with an annual review of activities and milestones to expedite timely adjustments and remedial actions as needed.

[1] 43,200 beneficiaries reflects the maximum before hand-over. The annual average number of beneficiaries is 33,000 beneficiaries.

RECOMMENDATION

The Development Project São Tomé & Príncipe 200295 is recommended for approval by the Deputy Executive Director under the Executive Director's delegated authority.

APPROVAL

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Ramiro Lopes Da Silva
Deputy Executive Director
United Nations World Food Programme Date

ANNEX III - LIST OF ACRONYMS USED IN THE DOCUMENT

CFSVA	Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnerability Analysis
M&E	Monitoring and evaluation
MDG	Millennium Development Goal
NFI	Non-food item
PNASE	National School Feeding and Health Programme
PTA	Parent–teacher association
UNDAF	United Nations Development Assistance Framework
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
WASH	Water, Sanitation and Hygiene for All
WFP	United Nations World Food Programme
WHO	World Health Organization