Food and Nutrition Security for Zimbabwe in the context of Economic Growth and Development

Goals

Policy Commitments

1. Policy Advice and Analysis:
The government of Zimbabwe is committed to ensuring that policy instruments that protect and enhance food and nutrition security particularly amongst the most vulnerable, are formulated and inform Government and non-Government decision-making and action.

2. Agriculture and Food Security:
The Government of Zimbabwe is committed to ensuring food security for all, including access to adequate, diverse and nutritious food by all people at all times

3. Social Assistance and Social Protection:
The government of Zimbabwe is committed to ensuring that where social protection including social assistance programmes are implemented, these must contribute and enhance food and nutrition security of the most vulnerable in the short and medium term.

4. Food Safety and Standards:
The government of Zimbabwe is committed to the provision of safe and wholesome food to all. Consequently, all food whether imported or locally produced shall meet national Public Health legislation and international standards for quality and safety.

5. Nutrition Security:
The government of Zimbabwe is committed to ensuring nutrition security for all through the implementation of evidence-based nutrition interventions that are integrated within a broad public health framework including health services, water and sanitation.

6. Food and Nutrition Security Information:
The Government of Zimbabwe is committed to ensuring a national integrated food and nutrition security information system that provides timely, reliable information on the food and nutrition security situation, effectiveness of programmes and informs decision-making.

7. Enhancing and strengthening national capacity for food and nutrition security:
The Government of Zimbabwe is committed to enhancing and strengthening national capacity in food and nutrition security primarily through supporting and reinforcing local community capacity and responsibility for food and nutrition security, applied context-specific research and learning and multi-sectoral professional training in food and nutrition security

M&E Indicators
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Activity and Output (Quartely):

- Performance and capacity of integrated food and nutrition security team
- Resources for food and nutrition security mobilised
- Trainings for food and nutrition security held
- Food and nutrition security interventions in place
- Learning and scale-up achieved

Outcome (Annually):

- Socioeconomic policies in place that promote equity in food and nutrition security
- Food security
- Social assistance
- Food safety and Standards
- Nutrition security
- Information: Assessment, analysis and early warning
- National capacity for food and nutrition security
- Sector-specific policies and strategies in place

Impact (Every 3-4 years):

- Prevalence of stunting (<-2 Z scores height for age)
- Prevalence of underweight (<-2 Z scores weight for age)
- Prevalence of wasting (<-2 Z scores weight for height)
- Prevalence of thinness among women aged 15-49 (BMI<18.5)
- Prevalence of obesity among women aged 15-49 (BMI >25)
- Prevalence of micronutrient deficiencies
- Percentage of households living below poverty line
- Percentage food insecure households
- Food diversity/consumption score
- Child mortality, access to clean water, adequate sanitation

URL link:
http://www.fnc.org.zw/

Reference:

Policy topics:

- Stunting in children 0-5 yrs
- Wasting in children 0-5 years
- Underweight in children 0-5 years
- Underweight in women
- Overweight, obesity and diet-related NCDs
- Overweight in children 0-5 yrs
- Overweight in adolescents
- Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
- Breastfeeding in difficult circumstances
• International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes
• Nutrition in schools
• Provision of school meals / School feeding programme
• Promotion of healthy diet and prevention of obesity and diet-related NCDs
• Food labelling
• Nutrition counselling on healthy diets
• Vitamin and mineral nutrition
• Micronutrient supplementation
• Acute malnutrition
• Food distribution/supplementation for prevention of acute malnutrition
• Nutrition and infectious disease
• HIV/AIDS and nutrition
• Nutrition sensitive actions
• Food security and agriculture
• Conditional cash transfer programmes

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