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National Hunger and Vulnerability Inventories


These national inventories represent the initial stage of the national Knowledge Review and Gap Analysis (KRGAs) exercises carried out by RHVP in its six priority countries (Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Swaziland, Zambia and Zimbabwe). In each country, the RHVP Country Coordinator (CC) is responsible for assembly, cataloguing, storage and retrieval of relevant documentary and data resources into a National Hunger and Vulnerability Inventory. This process is both backed up by, and feeds into, the RHVP Learning Network. The initial purpose of these inventories was to facilitate the KRGAs studies, but they also enable the CCs to disseminate rapidly, predominantly in electronic form, documents and data on hunger and vulnerability, and methods and policies for addressing it, to stakeholders requesting such information. This important function of the CC posts is central to RHVP's role of facilitating the spread of required knowledge within and between countries.

The separate national hunger and vulnerability inventories are as follows:

- An inventory of all existing food security, early warning and vulnerability related information systems and activities in the country, including details of methodologies used, institutional responsibilities, and frequency of assessments;
- An inventory of key policies and strategies related to hunger and vulnerability, food security and social protection in the country;
- An inventory of social protection programmes in the country;
- A register of institutions and individuals in the country with whom the RHVP can work in undertaking the activities of the Evidence and other components of the Programme;
- A bibliography, associated with a physical library/electronic filestore, of existing knowledge on the state of hunger and vulnerability in the country, including research reports, donor and NGO documents, documents or data produced by regional and international agencies, and websites containing knowledge on hunger and vulnerability in the country.

During the lifetime of RHVP, the CCs will be responsible for ensuring that relevant new materials and items of information are added to the inventory as they become available, thus ensuring that the inventory's hunger and vulnerability resources are kept up-to-date.

At a later stage it is envisaged that the inventories will be more formally constituted into resources centres to be housed within an appropriate and relevant institution. In most cases it



is envisaged that they will link up with one or another of the existing VACs, crisis response, or social protection agencies in each country, which would then assume responsibility for maintaining and managing the inventories after the end of RHVP.

User Guide

This document provides an inventory of social protection programmes in Swaziland

Information on the different schemes in Swaziland has been organised according to conditional and unconditional transfers covering Cash Transfers, Food & Food for work, Farm Subsidies and other categories. This information can also be indexed in the table of contents

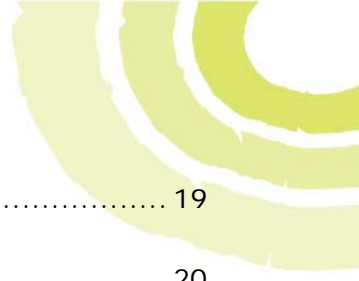
Where available, the summary information for each social protection programme covers a range of programme dimensions as follows:

- Main form of transfer
- Year(s) operated
- Scheme objectives
- Implementing agencies
- Donors
- Transfer period and frequency
- Spatial coverage
- Target group
- Targeting method
- Condition of transfer
- Direct beneficiary numbers per year
- Total cost per year
- Transfer amount per beneficiary per year
- Notes, Sources & Contact person
- Government contribution



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Abbreviations

ABC	Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet
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NCP	Neighbourhood Care Point
OVC	Orphans and Vulnerable Children

Conditional Transfers - Cash

Public Assistance

Main form of transfer	Cash
Year(s) operated	Programme running for past 30 years
Scheme objectives	To assist the needy
Implementing agencies	Government-Social Welfare Department
Donors	Government of Swaziland
Transfer period and frequency	Quarterly
Spatial coverage	National
Target group	Elderly, disabled, poor, terminally ill
Targeting method	Referral, application and home visit
Condition of transfer	Elderly, disabled, poor, terminally ill
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Approximately 5,000
Total cost per year	E2 million
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	E960
Notes, Sources & Contact person	An improved fund for the elderly is due to commence in 2006
Government contribution	E10 million

Child Welfare

Main form of transfer	Payment of school fees
Year(s) operated	Programme running for past 30 years
Scheme objectives	Partial payment of fees to increase enrolment and retention
Implementing agencies	Government-Social Welfare Department
Donors	Government of Swaziland
Transfer period and frequency	Annual
Spatial coverage	National
Target group	Orphans
Targeting method	Referral from school teachers and community members
Condition of transfer	Orphans
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Variable
Total cost per year	E250,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Variable
Notes, Sources & Contact person	The government is considering social grants which may supplant this programme
Government contribution	E250,000

Conditional Transfers - Food

Food aid

Main form of transfer	Food (maize meal, corn, soya blend, oil)
Year(s) operated	Since 2002
Scheme objectives	Emergency relief
Implementing agencies	World Vision, ACAT, LDS. Sub-contracts provided by Save the Children, Red Cross, Caritas, SFDF
Donors	WFP
Transfer period and frequency	Monthly
Spatial coverage	Lubombo, parts of Shiselweni and Mbabane
Target group	Areas defined as highly vulnerable due to drought, high unemployment, few assets
Targeting method	Geographical vulnerability assessments
Condition of transfer	Impoverished, drought-affected
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	92,000
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Some areas benefit from WFP funding, others from the government
Government contribution	E5 million

Food for Assets



Main form of transfer	Food (maize meal, pulses, vegetable oil)
Year(s) operated	Since 2006
Scheme objectives	To improve household food security and participation in community activities
Implementing agencies	NGO
Donors	WFP
Transfer period and frequency	Varies
Spatial coverage	Drought-prone regions
Target group	Vulnerable households
Targeting method	Geographical
Condition of transfer	Conditional-willingness to work
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Not available
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Due to start in early 2006
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

MCH and under 5 support



Main form of transfer	Food (corn, soya blend)
Year(s) operated	Since 2005
Scheme objectives	To improve the nutritional status of under 5s, pregnant and lactating mothers
Implementing agencies	Government-Ministry of Health and hospitals
Donors	WFP
Transfer period and frequency	Monthly
Spatial coverage	National (51 clinics)
Target group	Under 5s, pregnant or lactating mothers
Targeting method	MCh clinic attendance
Condition of transfer	Conditional-MCh clinic attendance
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	12,000
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

Neighbourhood Care Point



Main form of transfer	Food
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	Provide at least one meal a day to OVCs
Implementing agencies	Communities and the DPM's office, Lutsango
Donors	UNICEF, WFP
Transfer period and frequency	Year round
Spatial coverage	252 NCPs around the country
Target group	Pre-primary OVCs
Targeting method	Those identified as OVCs
Condition of transfer	NCP attendance
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	25,000
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Difficult to cost as several donors are involved
Government contribution	Personnel

School Feeding



Main form of transfer	Food
Year(s) operated	Programme initiated 25 years ago, with schools added each year
Scheme objectives	To provide at least one meal to school-age children
Implementing agencies	Government-Ministry of Education, NGOs
Donors	WFP, UNICEF (ECHO)
Transfer period and frequency	Daily
Spatial coverage	National (96 schools)
Target group	School children
Targeting method	Geographical and school attendees
Condition of transfer	Conditional-attendance at school
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	39,000
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Has improved school attendance
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

Support for families of ART Patients



Main form of transfer	Food (maize meal, pulses, vegetable oil)
Year(s) operated	Since 2005
Scheme objectives	To increase access to food for the families of ART patients
Implementing agencies	Government-Ministries of Health and Social Welfare
Donors	WFP
Transfer period and frequency	Monthly
Spatial coverage	National
Target group	Families (up to 5 members) of ART patients
Targeting method	Referral by nurses
Condition of transfer	Conditional-families of ART patients
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Not available
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

Urban Soup Kitchens



Main form of transfer	Food (maize porridge and beans)
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	To provide at least one nutritious meal per day, and to increase ARV compliance
Implementing agencies	AMICALL, churches, and various CBOs
Donors	Global Fund through NERCHA
Transfer period and frequency	Weekdays
Spatial coverage	20 sites: all 11 towns have at least one ward with a kitchen
Target group	OVCs, poor, home-based ARV patients
Targeting method	Identified by community committees according to need
Condition of transfer	OVCs, poor
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Not available
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Impact mitigation AMICALL
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

Urban Maize Distribution



Main form of transfer	Food (maize and beans)
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	To improve household food security in urban areas
Implementing agencies	Community AIDS committee and AMICALL
Donors	Global Fund through NERCHA
Transfer period and frequency	Quarterly (25kg maize and 25kg beans)
Spatial coverage	72 wards in the 11 towns
Target group	Food insecure adults and households
Targeting method	Community committee identifies recipients according to need
Condition of transfer	Needy
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Not available
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	This is one of the few schemes to address poverty and food security in urban areas
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

3 by 5 support



Main form of transfer	Food (corn, soya blend)
Year(s) operated	Since 2005
Scheme objectives	To provide ARV patients with food
Implementing agencies	Government-Ministry of Health and hospitals
Donors	WFP
Transfer period and frequency	Monthly
Spatial coverage	75 hospitals
Target group	ARV patients
Targeting method	ARV patients
Condition of transfer	Conditional-ARV patients
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	7,000
Total cost per year	Not available
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise



Conditional Transfers – Farm inputs

Backyard Gardens

Main form of transfer	Garden inputs (seed, tools, fertiliser, fencing etc)
Year(s) operated	2004-2005
Scheme objectives	To provide AIDS patients with fresh vegetables
Implementing agencies	FAO and MOAC
Donors	FAO and Government of South Africa
Transfer period and frequency	Once off
Spatial coverage	National
Target group	AIDS-affected persons
Targeting method	Referrals
Condition of transfer	AIDS-affected persons
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	700
Total cost per year	USD21,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD300
Notes, Sources & Contact person	This scheme was suspended in 2005
Government contribution	Personnel

Community Gardens

Main form of transfer	Garden inputs (seed, tools, fertiliser, fencing etc)
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	To help communities produce nutritious food and generate an income
Implementing agencies	FAO and MOAC
Donors	FAO and Government of South Africa
Transfer period and frequency	Once off
Spatial coverage	7 communities in drought-prone regions
Target group	Farmers in drought-prone regions
Targeting method	Application
Condition of transfer	Drought-prone regions
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	350
Total cost per year	USD35,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD100
Notes, Sources & Contact person	FAO Emergency Coordinator, Swaziland
Government contribution	Personnel

Indlunkhulu/Chief's fields

Main form of transfer	Seeds (maize, sorghum, legumes, sweet potato) and other inputs
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	To increase access to food for OVCs and other vulnerable members of the community
Implementing agencies	FAO, MOAC, Microprojects, NERCHA
Donors	FAO, Microprojects, Government of South Africa
Transfer period and frequency	Annually
Spatial coverage	National
Target group	OVCs, ill, elderly, disabled
Targeting method	Referrals
Condition of transfer	OVCs, ill, elderly, disabled
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	9,631 OVCs in 315 communities
Total cost per year	USD315,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Approximately USD33
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Targeting has been a problem: not all the most vulnerable members are able to access the programme
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

Input trade fairs/seed fairs



Main form of transfer	Vouchers to purchase inputs
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	To provide farming inputs
Implementing agencies	FAO and MOAC
Donors	FAO and Government of South Africa
Transfer period and frequency	Annually
Spatial coverage	Drought-prone regions
Target group	Poor farmers affected by drought
Targeting method	MOAC, NGOs
Condition of transfer	Impoverished drought victims
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	10,000 households
Total cost per year	USD500,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD30
Notes, Sources & Contact person	FAO Emergency Coordinator, Swaziland
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

NCP Gardens



Main form of transfer	Garden inputs (seed, tools, fertiliser, fencing, etc)
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	Provide sustainable source of fresh vegetables
Implementing agencies	FAO and MOAC
Donors	Government of South Africa
Transfer period and frequency	Once-off
Spatial coverage	20 NCPs around the country
Target group	Pre-primary OVCs
Targeting method	Based on information from UNICEF and NGOs
Condition of transfer	NCP structure
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	2,100
Total cost per year	USD140,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD2,000 per NCP
Notes, Sources & Contact person	Currently 450 NCPs in the country, scheme is due to be expanded
Government contribution	Personnel, extension officers

Primary School Gardens

Main form of transfer	Garden inputs (seed, tools, fertiliser, fencing, etc)
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	Supply nutritious vegetables in schools
Implementing agencies	FAO and MOAC
Donors	Government of South Africa through FAO
Transfer period and frequency	Once off
Spatial coverage	60 schools in drought-prone regions
Target group	OVCs
Targeting method	Where WFP school feeding programmes are in operation
Condition of transfer	Drought-stricken areas
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	21,000
Total cost per year	USD120,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD2,000 per school
Notes, Sources & Contact person	FAO Emergency Coordinator, Swaziland
Government contribution	Personnel

OVC Fields



Main form of transfer	Inputs for dry farming
Year(s) operated	Since 2004
Scheme objectives	To provide a supply of crops
Implementing agencies	FAO and MOAC
Donors	FAO and Government of South Africa
Transfer period and frequency	Once off
Spatial coverage	Drought-prone regions
Target group	OVCs
Targeting method	NERCHA, DPM, MOAC, NGOs
Condition of transfer	OVCs
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	50 OVCs per community, and 250 fields
Total cost per year	USD25,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD2
Notes, Sources & Contact person	
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise

Urban Farming



Main form of transfer	Seeds and other farm inputs for maize, legumes, cassava
Year(s) operated	Since 2005
Scheme objectives	To provide food for vulnerable members of the community
Implementing agencies	AMICALL and MOAC
Donors	Global Fund through NERCHA
Transfer period and frequency	Annually during planting season
Spatial coverage	3 towns
Target group	Food insecure adults and households
Targeting method	Community committee identifies recipients according to need
Condition of transfer	Needy
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Not available
Total cost per year	USD1,000 per field
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	The scheme will be expanded to 2 more towns in 2006
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise, some financial contributions



Conditional Transfers - Other

OVC household/homestead food production

Main form of transfer	Seeds (maize, legumes, sorghum, groundnuts, sweet potato and other inputs)
Year(s) operated	
Scheme objectives	
Implementing agencies	Microprojects, MOAC, NERCHA
Donors	Government of Japan
Transfer period and frequency	
Spatial coverage	
Target group	
Targeting method	
Condition of transfer	
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	
Total cost per year	USD500,000/E2,900,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	USD75 per household
Notes, Sources & Contact person	
Government contribution	

Philani Maswati Charity Organisation



Main form of transfer	Food, burial services, clothing, wheelchairs
Year(s) operated	Programme running for past 19 years
Scheme objectives	To improve the quality of life of the elderly
Implementing agencies	Philani Maswati
Donors	Various
Transfer period and frequency	When available
Spatial coverage	National
Target group	Elderly (over 70 years)
Targeting method	Referrals from community workers
Condition of transfer	Conditional-on need
Direct beneficiary numbers per year	Varies depending on need and availability of donations
Total cost per year	E400,000
Transfer amount per beneficiary per year	Not available
Notes, Sources & Contact person	
Government contribution	Personnel and technical expertise