

France – Position Paper

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Food is very important for every child. Children need food to grow, learn, and stay healthy. During wars, floods, or earthquakes, many children cannot get enough food. France believes that helping children during emergencies is a shared responsibility.

Many children around the world suffer from hunger during emergencies. When families lose their homes or schools are closed, children often miss both meals and education. Hunger makes children weak and unable to focus in school. If this problem is not solved, it can affect children for their whole lives.

France believes that food security and education must go together. A hungry child cannot learn well. France strongly supports the World Food Programme because it provides food, school meals, and emergency help to children in need. France also supports cooperation between WFP and UNESCO to protect children's right to education.

In the last five years, France has worked with UNESCO on important education projects. One key project is the Office for Climate Education, supported by France and UNESCO. This project helps students and teachers learn about climate change and how it affects food and daily life. By teaching children about climate problems early, future food crises can be reduced. France has also supported WFP school meal programs and emergency food assistance for children in many countries.

- Providing school meals during emergencies.
- Helping children continue education and nutrition together.
- Supporting local farmers to produce food for school meals.
- Teaching children about climate change to prevent future hunger. France believes that feeding children during emergencies helps build a better future. When children are healthy and educated, societies become stronger. France calls on all countries to work together with WFP and UNESCO to protect children from hunger.

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