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**WFP AND GOVERNMENT OF TAJIKISTAN SIGN COOPERATION AGREEMENT TO STRENGTHEN FOOD SECURITY**

**DUSHANBE –** The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) and the Government of Tajikistan signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to deepen their cooperation on addressing food and nutrition security for 2023 to 2026.

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed, between Adham Musallam, WFP Representative and Country Director in Tajikistan, and Sirojiddin Muhriddin, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Tajikistan.

This MOU lays the groundwork for WFP’s Tajikistan Country Strategic Plan (CSP) for 2023–2026, which aligns with the country’s national goals of improving food and nutrition security, strengthening capacities, and providing technical support for the government’s social protection programmes.

“The new Country Strategic Plan, valued at USD$ 91 million, is designed to support the government’s priorities for achieving food security and broadening access to high-quality nutrition by 2030,” said Adham Musallam, WFP Representative and Country Director in Tajikistan. “Under the new CSP, the emphasis will be on supporting livelihoods, improving agricultural production, enhancing health, education, and nutrition outcomes, as well as strengthening national institutions and systems.”

The country strategic plan is consistent with Tajikistan's UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework for 2023-2026 and the government's national development goal through 2030. WFP will continue to provide on-demand logistics and procurement services to the government and development partners. WFP has been actively engaged in Tajikistan since 1993.

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