

## Afghanistan

## Emergency agriculture and livelihoods assistance packages Overview and analysis

	Price per household (USD)	Package contents	Benefits for households		SEP 2021	NOV	DEC	JAN 2022	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG
Winter wheat	157	<ul> <li>50 kg of certified seeds</li> <li>50 kg of diammonium phosphate fertilizer</li> <li>50 kg of urea fertilizer</li> <li>Technical training</li> <li>Link to local extension services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Enables each agricultural household to plant 0.4 ha (2 jeribs) of land with wheat seed and produce up to 1.2–1.4 tonnes of wheat, which are worth approximately USD 600–700 (as per July 2021 market price).</li> <li>Enables each agricultural household to produce enough wheat to cover the cereal needs of an average Afghan family for one year.</li> </ul>												
Summer cultivation	117	20 kg of high-quality summer crop seed (chickpea, cumin, legumes, mung beans, oilseeds and sesame)     Technical training     Link to local extension services	<ul> <li>Enables each agricultural household to cultivate 0.4 ha (2 jeribs) of land to produce an estimated 1 680 kg of corn, 900 kg of mung bean and 560 kg of sesame.</li> <li>Boosts income for each agricultural household by up to USD 332 through the sale of corn, USD 450 through the sale of mung beans and USD 488 through the sale of sesame.</li> </ul>	×,											
Home gardening	77	<ul> <li>420 g of high-quality seed of eight locally important vegetables (beans, cabbage, capsicum, cauliflower, garlic, onion, squash and tomato)</li> <li>Agricultural tools, including a rake and hoe</li> <li>Technical training</li> <li>Link to local extension services</li> </ul>	Boosts each household's income by USD 60–80 per month for up to four to five months.     Increases access to nutritious food for up to four to six months thanks to vegetables produced.	12											
Livestock protection	158	200 kg of concentrate animal feed     5 kg of high-quality seed for fast-growing fodder crop     Veterinary care service, including deworming     Technical training     Link to local extension and veterinary services	<ul> <li>Safeguards livestock body conditions for two to three months for marginal nomadic herders with 30 animals or for five to six months for smallholder, settled livestock owners with ten animals, protecting animal body conditions and health for the winter months.</li> <li>Enhances the health of livestock, contributing to a 15–25 percent increase in animal body weight, according to most livestock owners.</li> <li>Increases access to nutritious food thanks to improved dairy production.</li> <li>Increases each household's income by up to USD 35 per week through sale of milk and yoghurt.</li> <li>Enables herding households to produce enough fodder crop to meet the feed requirements for their livestock for up to four to five months.</li> </ul>			•									
Backyard poultry	259	27 egg-laying hens and 3 roosters (four months in age and vaccinated)     100 kg of poultry feed     Equipment for one poultry coop     Technical training     Link to local extension and veterinary services	<ul> <li>Increases income of each household for up to one year, raising monthly income by USD 50–60 through the sale of eggs and by up to USD 8–10 through the sale of chicken meat.</li> <li>Increases household's access to nutritious food thanks to eggs and chicken meat produced.</li> </ul>	4											
Unconditional cash transfers	153	<ul> <li>Provided to vulnerable, food-insecure households, prioritizing landless households as well as those headed by women, people with disabilities and the elderly</li> <li>Training and sensitization</li> </ul>	Boosts income by USD 100 of vulnerable and food-insecure households (prioritizing landless households as well as those headed by women, people with disabilities and the elderly).     Improves access to nutritious food and basic items through increased availability of cash.	\$											
Cash for work	153	Prioritizes landless, food-insecure households     Training and sensitization	<ul> <li>Boosts short-term income, with each household earning USD 100.</li> <li>Improves infrastructure thanks to rehabilitation of local irrigation and soil-water conservation structures, livestock watering points, flood protection walls and <i>kareez</i> (underground canal system).</li> <li>Typically, irrigation availability is enhanced for close to 125 ha of agricultural or pasture lands with one rehabilitated infrastructure, or river-facing side of a village is protected due to the flood protection wall.</li> </ul>	\$2											

## **Notes**

- Package price includes: inputs, transportation costs, quality control, implementing partner services, third party monitoring and FAO services. Cash for work and unconditional cash transfers prices also include fees paid to financial service providers. All prices are as of August 2021.
- Benefits for households figures are derived from the post-harvest and outcome monitoring surveys coordinated by FAO in project areas. These surveys are conducted by an independent third-party monitoring service provider. All data collection is done using KoBo Toolbox with a representative sample size of household-level respondents, which are randomly drawn from the total direct beneficiaries by using a 5 percent margin of error with a "z" score of 1.96 (normal probability distribution) and an "s" score of 0.5 (standard deviation).
- These quantitative surveys are done for all emergency response projects for all emergency
  assistance package types and are complemented by anecdotal data collection by FAO National
  and Regional Offices and the Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning team.
- All beneficiaries are sensitized on COVID-19 safety procedures, based on the guidelines developed by FAO to be adopted at farm-gate, markets, transhumance, public spaces, cash for work sites and inputs/cash distribution sites.

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