

Country Situation Analysis

Background Infant Feeding Practices/Current Situation (outputs)

1. Low Exclusive Breastfeeding rates in non-emergency
2. High rates of bottle/formula feeding in non-emergency times
3. General perception that formula is as good as or is better than breastmilk
4. Mother to child transmission of HIV is an important cause of child mortality

Exclusive Breastfeeding		Bottle/Formula Feeding	
< 20%	Pink	>15%	Pink
20-50%	Yellow	5-15%	Yellow
>50%	Green	<5%	Green

Current IYCF/IFE Programme (inputs)

5. No national Code of Marketing or existing Code is not enforced
6. No government policy on IFE or policy is not implemented
7. Few government staffed trained on or knowledgeable about IFE
8. Few local and international NGOs trained on or knowledgeable about IFE
9. Few lactation consultants/specialists available/accessible during emergencies
10. Perception amongst public and media that women cannot breastfeeding during emergencies
11. Unsolicited donations of formula/milk powder received during emergencies
12. General rations/emergency food distributions do not contain suitable foods for complementary feeding (CF)
13. General rations/emergency foods distributions often include formula/milk powder
14. People in charge of emergency coordination do not prioritize IFE
15. International or local NGOs operate independently of the national emergency response.
16. Rapid assessments seldom include information about IF
17. Poor understanding about what indicators to include on IFE in assessments
18. Services to encourage and support BF during emergencies are not often provided
19. Emergency areas seldom have places suitable for women to breastfeed
20. There are no systems to minimize risks of formula feeding