The right to food and nutrition security

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The right to adequate food is a universal human right that is realized when all people have physical and economic access at all times to adequate food or the means for its procurement, without discrimination of any kind. Despite progress made in reducing chronic hunger, undernourishment still affects at least 793 million (2015) people worldwide. Guaranteeing fair access to resources, rural employment and income are key to overcoming hunger and food insecurity. In 2017, around 124 million people in 51 countries faced Crisis food insecurity or worse. Heads of State and Government in the Rome Declaration “reaffirmed the right of everyone to have access to safe and nutritious food, consistent with the right to adequate food and the fundamental right of everyone to be free from hunger.” The right to food and nutritious security has been proclaimed at international treaties such as International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, United National Human rights Declaration (UDHR), and UN Charter. In Afghanistan around, 39 percent of Afghans live below the poverty line, with huge differences in living standards between those living in cities and those in rural areas. The country has some of the world’s highest infant, child and maternal mortality rates, and many thousands of children die needlessly each year because they lack access to adequate food and nutrition. Around 41 percent of Afghan children under the age of five are stunted, with low height for their age, while 10 percent are acutely malnourished. Around 33 percent of Afghans are food insecure – around 9.3 million people – and some 3.4 million of them are severely food insecure. The right to adequate food is realized when every man, woman and child, alone or in community with others, has the physical and economic.

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