

## Unit 1: Introduction to the Right to Food

### Lesson: Significance of the Right to Food

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this lesson, the learner will be able to:

- Understand that the Right to Food is a multi-faceted concept with legal, economic, social and institutional dimensions.
- Understand the multi-sectoral implications of pursuing the Right to Food approach.
- Recognise the inter-relation of sector policies at national and international levels.
- Appreciate the institutional changes needed to pursue Right to Food.
- Recognize the interrelatedness of all human rights

Suggestions for authors: Explore all the dimensions and possible implications of the Right to Food. Make emphasis on implications for policies, programs and institutions. Stress the interdependence of human rights within a development context.

#### **Learning Step 1: Legal, economic, social and institutional dimensions of the Right to Food.**

Scope Notes: Explore the implications of the Right to Food and Rights based development on the economic development policy; legal and institutional issues; agricultural and food policy; education and awareness raising; social safety nets and emergency situations.

#### **Learning Step 2: Significance and the need of applying the Right to Food.**

Scope Notes: Emphasize on the importance of act now towards the implementation of the Right to Food; need of starting with non-starvation goals; progressive implementation and the need to involve all actors of society, both right-holders and duty-bearers. Finally, elaborate on the positive aspects of the Right to Food such as the economic consequences, linkages between nutrition, national economy, health, etc.

#### **Resources:**

The Right to Food – Put it into Practice Briefs  
FAO Information Papers.  
Case Studies documentation.