

2023 SCALING-UP NUTRITION NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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QUESTION GUIDE FOR BREAK AWAY SESSIONS DISCUSSIONS

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SECTOR BREAKAWAY SESSIONS: Each sector should review the performance of each domain and measures and discuss the following questions.

To consolidate the gains and momentum under you have made, in your sector discuss feasible actions/measures that you could use to address the gaps identified in each Domain

Discussion questions

What is the general outlook for the performance of the domain in you sector,

1. What measures are affecting the performance of the doman negatively or positively.
2. what areas in this domain and measures are doing well
 - Why is the performance better in these meausres ie what are the drivers of better perofmance
 - What strategies should the sector implement to consolidate and strengthen the gians
3. Which measures need to be strengthened
 - Why is the performance poor in these domains and meausres
 - What strategies should the sector implement to imporve performance in these domains and measures
 - What strategies are required to improve the pefomance of the poor performing domains and measures
4. What policy level recommendations would you suggest to improve the performance of the domain .

Domain 2 Adjustment to Population Needs

Overall, all measures in this domain improved from 2020, although surveillance remains a weak point in the programme, with only a slight improvement (from 1.0 in 2020 to 1.3 in 2022). On the contrary, priority setting scored the highest in 2020 and improved further in 2022 (2.2 and 3.1, respectively).

Line Ministry/Agency	Overall Performance		Surveillance		Priority Setting		Learning / Innovation	
	2020	2022	2020	2022	2020	2022	2020	2022
NFNC	2.1	2.0	1.0	1.2	2.2	3.0	2.4	2.1

Below is a list of dimensions that were used to get PA score from the ministry for this domain:

Measure 6: Surveillance System	2020	2022
Existence of surveillance system	1.0	1.1
Number of functions in the surveillance system	.	.
Format of the surveillance system	.	.
There is a sector specific surveillance system for dynamic collection of information	.	1.4
Measure 7: Priority Setting	2020	2022
Use of data for priority setting	1.0	1.1
Stakeholder engagement in priority setting	.	.
Allocation of resources to priorities set	.	.
Measure 8: Learning and Innovation	2020	2022
Existence of mechanisms for learning and innovation		1.4
Stakeholder engagement in learning and innovation	2.9	3.0
Frequency of innovation scaled up	3.3	2.8

Domain 4 Information System

Overall performance in Domain 4 improved from level 1 in 2020 to level 2 in 2022. The same pattern was observed across the domain's two measures.

Ministry/Agencies	Domain 4 overall		MIS		Beneficiary records	
	2020	2022	2020	2022	2020	2022
NFNC	1.7	3.0	1.8	3.1	1.7	2.7

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	2020	2022
Measure 15 Management Information System		
Standardized SUN indicators and consolidated SUN information systems	1.8	3.6
Format of MIS	.	.
Measure 16 Beneficiary Record		
16.1 Use of personal/ group/ household/ club records at service delivery points	.	1.3
16.1b Use of personal/ group/ household/ club records at service delivery points	1.0	3.3
16.2 Format of personal records at service delivery point	2.3	2.5
16.3 Format of personal records at service delivery point	.	.

Domain 5 Workforce

Overall performance in the workforce domain improved from a score of 2.1 in 2020 to 2.7 in 2022 largely as a result of improvements in the workforce density and distribution measure, which is a result of recruitment of key personnel in some ministries

National Ministries	Overall Domain Score		Change	Workforce density		SUN Workforce competencies		Community workers	
	2020	2022		2020	2022	2020	2022	2020	2022
NFNC	2.3	2.8	+ 0.5 ↑	1.8	2.2	2.8	3.1	3.5	1.6

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Measure 18 SUN workforce competencies	2020	2022
Availability of the SUN/MCDP II focal person	3.8	3.7
SUN/MCDP II competencies are clearly and sufficiently defined	3.4	3.6
Extent of availability of all necessary competencies to implement SUN/MCDP II	2.8	3.1
Mechanisms to keep competencies up to date among SUN/MCDP II.	2.2	2.2
Measure 19 Community workers	2020	2022
Availability of workers primarily conduct community nutrition proactive outreach.	2.0	1.5
Trained and accredited, formally employed; remunerated appropriately and supported community workers	4.0	4.0

Domain 6 Funding,

Overall performance scores in the funding domain improved only slightly between 2020 and 2022 with performance remaining low across all three measures, indicating suboptimal performance for the programme around funding. Meaningful improvements can only be seen in the ‘existence of FMIS’ measure, largely because 3 ministries (MOH, MFL, and MWDS) maintained a financial management system that met at least one of the following conditions: i) processes are clearly defined, ii) the system is used across SDPs and management units, and iii) the system is electronic.

Across all line ministries, the ‘remuneration of volunteers’ measure remained poor in 2022, with an overall performance score of 1.5, and the attendant negative implications for nutrition services delivery to communities and households.

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Measure 20 Maintenance of Budget

- Maintenance of an annual budget for SUN/MCDP II for Nutrition specific and Nutrition sensitive interventions at management units.

Measure 20 Maintenance of Budget	2020	2022
Proportion of the budget that is directed to administrative vs direct implementation	4.0	3.5
Measure 21 Existence of FMIS	2020	2022
Maintenance/use of a FMIS for SDPs/MUs to track revenue and expenditure flows	1.0	1.5
Stability of flow of SUN/MCDP II funds (GRZ support towards SUN funds) to SDPs and MUs	1.4	2.0
Timeliness of flow of SUN/MCDP II funds (GRZ support towards SUN Funds) to SDPs and MUs	.	3.0
Timeliness of flow of SUN/MCDP II funds (IPs support towards SUN Funds) to SDPs and MUs	1.4	1.6
Predictability of flow of SUN funds (GRZ support towards SUN Funds) to SDP and MUs	.	2.3

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Measure 22 Remuneration of community volunteers	2020	2022
Stability of remuneration at this level	.	2.8
Remunerations typically made in time	.	.
Predictability of volunteer remuneration at ward level.	.	.