

SUN Movement Multi-Partner Trust Fund

PROGRAMME¹ QUARTERLY PROGRESS UPDATE

as of Quarter no1 of Year 2014: January to March 2014

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| Participating UN | WFP | | | | |
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| Organization | World Food Programme | | | | |
| | wfp.org | | | | |
| Implementing | Save the Children Nepal | | | | |
| Partner | | | | | |
| Programme Number | #00087074 SUN02/NPL/007 | | | | |
| Programme Title | Engaging civil society organizations in advocating and sustaining political will | | | | |
| | for government action for scaling up nutrition | | | | |
| Total Approved | US\$ 428,000.00 | | | | |
| Programme Budget | | | | | |
| Location | Nepal | | | | |
| MC Approval Date | 28/08/2012 | | | | |
| Programme Duration | 29 months | Starting Date | I Aug | Completion Date | 31 Dec |
| | | | 2013 | | 2015 |
| Funds Committed | US\$ 400,000 | | | Percentage of | 100% |
| | project | | | Approved | |
| | US\$ 28,000 | | | | |
| | ISC | | | | |
| Funds Disbursed | \$ 114,459 | | | Percentage of | 28% |
| | project | | | Approved | |
| Expected Programme | 29 months | Forecast | 31 Dec | Delay (Months) | |
| Duration | | Final Date | 2015 | | |

| Outcomes | Achievements/Results | Percentage |
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| | | of planned |

Outcome I¹: To establish a strong, sustainable and inclusive civil society alliance on nutrition from all sectors

Indicator: A functional CSO alliance developed and executed at national and sub-national level.

Baseline:

There are many NGOs working in the field of nutrition, each with its own agenda and approach. The stakeholders engaged in the currently drafted multi sectoral plan development include the government and donor community with limited engagement and recognition to civil society. Therefore it requires more coordinated effort in design, implementation, and monitoring to prioritize the nutrition efforts in the country. However, there is no existence of national

Organize consolidated finding sharing meeting with CSOs and build common consensus on the nutrition alliance establishment process - Half day consultation meeting was held on 26 January 2014 with representation from different CSOs/network/academia working on nutrition issues with the aim of disseminating the consolidated findings from consultation with CSOs and to have a participatory discussion on further process for CSO alliance establishment.

Radha Krishna Pradhan, Program Director, Health, Population and Nutrition Section, National Planning Commission, Ingo, International REACH ²Facilitator, Jhabindra Bhandari, National REACH facilitator, NNFSS³ members and GoN Ex- Secretary, Atma Ram Pandey facilitated the session during the consultation meeting. Decision and formation of an interim committee to finalize the Terms of Reference (ToR), membership criteria and action plan of alliance was taken during the meeting.

The interim committee has members from II organizations which includes Nepal Nutrition Foundation, National Technical Association Group, Nepal Water for Health, MaxPro, Li-Bird, Nepal Public Health Foundation, School Health & Nutrition Network, Helen Keller International Nepal, Save the Children, Action against Hunger, Safe Motherhood Network Federation and the media. The committee has given authority to the interim committee to draft the ToR, share it among the other members and finalize after incorporating the inputs from other stakeholders. ⁴

The interim committee of civil society alliance conducted a meeting to draft the ToR and membership form – A one day residential workshop was organized to draft the CSANN ToR on 18 Feb 2014 with intensive discussion among its interim committee

Completed/R eady to publish

¹ Note: Outcomes, outputs, indicators and targets are **as outlined in the Project Document** and this report describes **actual achievements against planned targets**.

² REACH – Renewed effort against child hunger and under nutrition.

³ NNFSS – National Nutrition and Food Security Secretariat

⁴ Please find the brief report in annex 1

multi stakeholder platforms for CSOs from different sectors to pro-actively work towards ensuring room of collaboration and move ahead jointly for advocacy and campaigning.

Planned Target: Formal establishment of Civil Society Alliance on Nutrition in Nepal (CSANN) with detail Term of Reference (ToR) and establishment of CSANN Secretariat.

members. There were altogether 11 organizations involved in drafting the ToR referring to the decision of the consultative meeting held on 26 January 2014. There was participation of potential CSOs working at national level in Nepal. The meeting has generated ToR of alliance and membership form as outputs. ⁵

Wider meeting on sharing the draft ToR and formal establishment of Civil Society Alliance on Nutrition in Nepal - Half day program was held among potential CSOs on 20 Feb 2014, in which the interim committee shared the draft ToR and comments and feedback were sought through an open discussion. Decision to circulate the improved version of the draft ToR and membership form electronically to all potential CSOs was taken. The membership form has been collected from interested organizations and they were called for a meeting to formally establish the CSANN.6

Drafted CSANN ToR and CSOs Mapping Report have been circulated among potential CSOs for inputs and finalization; inputs have been incorporated and the ToR and Mapping Report finalized. The final ToR is widely accepted by CSANN members.⁷ The CSOs Mapping report is ready to be published.⁸ The report is the product of the advice, contribution and insights of many experts from different organizations contributing towards developing the state of nutrition in Nepal.

CSANN Members: Membership Form was circulated among potential CSOs and filled out forms collected back from interested organizations. There are about 25 organizations which have shown interest to be CSANN members. Initially it was decided that membership fee would not be charged for the member organizations; however authority has now been given to the Executive

⁵ Please find the meeting minute for ToR development workshop in annex 2

⁶ Civil Society Alliance on Nutrition in Nepal

⁷ Please find the CSANN ToR in annex 3.

⁸ Please find the mapping report in annex 4.

Committee for the final decision.

CSANN Executive Committee Formation: CSANN Members' Meeting was held on 26 March 2014 and a participatory discussion was held the selection procedure of CSANN Executive Committee. The clause on multi sectorial representation mentioned on CSANN ToR has been referred to during the formation of the EC. Finally, EC has been established for 2 years in a democratic way.9

The list of CSANN executive Committee is as follows:

- Nepal Nutrition Foundation (NNF) Executive- Chair
- SAIFRN(South Asia Infant Feeding Research Network) Co-Chair
- NTAG(Nepali Technical Group) Member Secretary Members:
- Bhore Nepal
- ECARDS-Nepal
- Food First and Action Network (FIAN)
- Maxpro Social Marketing and Communication
- Mother and Infant Research Activities (MIRA)
- Nutrition Promotion Consultancy Service (NPCS)
- Nepal Public Health Foundation (NPHF)
- Safe Motherhood Network Federation(SMNF-Nepal)

Dr. Aruna Uprety, as an individual, has been nominated as an advisor in CSANN.

NEWAH, School Health & Nutrition Network and Li-Bird will be invited in the EC meeting as per their expertise area.

Note: Referring to the CSANN ToR, the role of INGOs has been stated that they can only be the CSANN general members and their role would be in providing technical/financial support, capacity building of CSOs, advocacy and campaigning.

CSANN Secretariat Establishment: Formal CSANN Executive Committee Meeting was held on 26 March 2014 for the first time. Referring to the ToR, CSANN secretariat has been established in Nepal Nutrition Foundation (NNF) – CSANN Executive Chair

⁹ Please find the detail meeting minute in annex 7.

| | with support from Save the Children. | | | |
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| | Action Plan Development: CSANN Executive Committee meeting has planned activities for the month of April-May 2014. CSANN members' meeting will be held in the month of May to develop a detailed action plan for 2 years. | | | |
| CSANN Executive Committee Meeting | The first meeting of CSANN Executive Committee has been planned for 3 April 2014. | Regular/Ongo ing | | |
| SUN Teleconference Meeting | We were invited to attend SUN teleconference meeting at NNFSS on 28 January 2014 where we updated and shared the progress on CSO engagement in Nepal. As well, we agreed to ensure regular representation from CSANN from next meeting The Executive Chair of CSANN attended the SUN | Regular/Ongo ing | | |
| | teleconference meeting at NNFSS on 28 March 2014 where the chair updated and shared progress on CSO engagement in Nepal., Regular representation from CSANN has been ensured from next meeting onwards. | | | |
| Health and Nutrition Global Initiative's, Program Learning Group (PLG) meeting | Health & Nutrition Specialist from Save the Children has shared and updated about Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) movement in Nepal and SUN/CSO engagement in advancing national level nutrition policy and practice in the country. ¹⁰ | Completed | | |
| National level advocacy and policy formulation meetings | During this period we have participated in different national nutrition forums along with major stakeholders and government. Monitoring & Evaluation workshop organized by National Planning Commission (NPC)/NNFSS and Nutrition cluster meeting at Child Health Division (CHD) were attended. We are in regular coordination with REACH/ National Nutrition and Food Security Secretariat (NNFSS) regarding CSOs engagement for SUN movement in Nepal. We have also participated in School Health and Nutrition network meeting and updated members on Save the Children's nutrition priorities and activities for the year 2014. Similarly, we participated and shared Save the Children's nutrition plan and priorities during the Nutrition Advocacy workshop organized by Child Health Division | Complete/ Continue | | |

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 $^{^{\}rm 10}$ Please find the presentation slides and abstract in annex 6.

| | in the Far-West region. We actively participated in different working groups under Nutrition Technical Committee especially for the formulation of national MIYCN communication action plan and IYCF action plan based on their respective national level strategies. | |
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| Civil society presence on Multi Sectors committees | National Nutrition and Food Security Steering Committee (NNFSS) has formed 3 committees; Multi-Sector Advocacy and Communication Committee, Monitoring and Evaluation Committee and Capacity Development Committee. Civil Society presence has been ensured on two committees namely the Multi-Sector Advocacy and Communication Committee and Monitoring and Evaluation Committee | Continue |
| Advocacy and Communication Strategy Development for CSANN | A term of Reference (ToR) has been developed and Save the Children's HR department has hired a consultant for the development of advocacy and communication strategy of CSANN. The advocacy and communication strategy development workshop has been planned from 28-30 April 2014 among CSANN members. | On process |
| Regular updating and sharing at global level | Nepal's achievement and progress made has been regularly updated and shared with global coordinator. | Ongoing process |

Qualitative achievements against outcomes and results

The report updates the progress achieved from I January to 31 March 2014. The project is progressing smoothly and activities under the first and second outcomes have been focused during this period.

The main objective for the period is to establish a strong, sustainable and inclusive civil society alliance on nutrition in Nepal. We have achieved our target as set in the plan. Civil Society Alliance on Nutrition in Nepal shortly named as CSANN has been established formally for 2 years in a democratic way. CSANN has a Terms of Reference (ToR) with inputs from different stakeholders and members and which is widely accepted in a formal way. CSANN secretariat has been established at the national level in NNF, situated at the NTAG building which will serve as a secretariat for the first 2 years. First meeting among CSANN members was held on 26 March and CSANN Executive Committee meeting has been planned for 3 April 2014. Email address has been created for CSANN to have easy communication and coordination, which will be handled by CSANN secretariat.

It is prerequisite of CSANN to have an Advocacy and Communication Strategy therefore the Advocacy and Communication Strategy development workshop has been planned for 28-30 April 2014 among CSANN members. The executive chair has represented the CSANN in SUN teleconference meeting at

¹¹ Please find the ToR in annex 4.

NPC/NNFSS on 31 March 2014.

The next quarter will focus on developing CSANN logo, creating facebook page, being available on twitter and developing CSANN website where all nutrition related activities carried out by CSANN members will be uploaded and displayed. An interaction program with media and a sensitization workshop targeting policy makers and government authorities with HANCI evidences has been planned. There will be sharing of best practices and evidences generated by CSOs. Along with that CSANN members' capacity assessment will be done and manuals will be developed on policy advocacy, budget analysis and monitoring and evaluation. We have planned to provide orientation on Multi Sector Nutrition Plan (MSNP) and SUN movement to CSANN members in coordination with NPC/NNFSS.

Annexes: Event wise updated report

1. Consultative meeting among CSOs on CSA establishment process



Consultative meeting among CSOs _26 Jan

2. Draft ToR development workshop



Minute CSO Interim Committee Meeting.d

3. Wider meeting to share draft ToR and formal establishment of CSANN







Wider meeting for Membership ToR CSANN _27
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4. Mapping report of CSOs contributing in Nutrition in Nepal



5. ToR for Advocacy and Communication Strategy development



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6. Abstract - SUN update on PLG meeting





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7. CSANN Members' Meeting Minute



Discussion agenda on CSANN members' I