


# SUN Movement Multi-Partner Trust Fund



## PROGRAMME<sup>1</sup> QUARTERLY PROGRESS UPDATE – YEAR 2014

*as of Quarter no2 of Year 2014: April to June 2014  
Submitted: 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014*

<b>Participating UN Organization:</b>	 <b>World Food Programme</b> wfp.org				
<b>Implementing Partner(s):</b>	Save the Children International				
<b>Programme Number:</b>	# 00089100 SUN – Window 02/LKA/017 ‘Civil Society’				
<b>Programme Title:</b>	Formation of Civil Society Forum to augment the implementation of Multi Sectoral Action Plan for Nutrition at ground level in Sri Lanka				
<b>Total Approved Programme Budget:</b>	US\$ 235,400				
<b>Location:</b>	Sri Lanka				
<b>MC Approval Date:</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> February 2014				
<b>Programme Duration:</b>	24 Months	<b>Starting Date:</b>	01/01/2014	<b>Completion Date:</b>	31/12/ 2015
<b>Funds Committed:</b>	US\$ 220,000 project US\$ 15,400 ISC			<b>Percentage of Approved:</b>	100%
<b>Funds Disbursed:</b>	US\$ 118,240.00			<b>Percentage of Approved:</b>	54%
<b>Expected Programme Duration:</b>	2 years	<b>Forecast Final Date:</b>	31 Dec 2015	<b>Delay (Months):</b>	

<b>Outcome</b>	<b>Achievement/ Result</b>	<b>Percentage of Planned</b>
1. Independent and sustainable multi-sectoral forum of civil society organizations structured and empowered to advocate for making nutrition as a high priority issue in Sri Lanka	1. Interim Executive Council for civil society forum was established in May 2014. This committee consists of 08 members representing 08 leading NGOs operating in the country. Those 08 organizations are World Vision Sri Lanka, Plan International Sri Lanka, Seva Lanka Foundation, Lanka Jathika Sarvodaya Shramadhana Snagamaya, Nucleus Foundation, Child Fund Sri Lanka, and Save the Children International & Palm Foundation. 2. Two monthly meetings of Interim Executive Council were held on 12 May and 14 June 2014. First meeting	On schedule 60% of planned activities under outcomes 01 were achieved during reporting period.

	<p>was held at President Secretariat with 16 participants. Second meeting was held at WFP conference room with the attendance of 12 participants. Participant lists for both meetings are attached as Annex 1-a &amp; 1-b.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Terms of Reference for Sun Civil Society Forum was developed and shared among Interim Executive Council members and obtained the approval.</li> <li>4. A legal firm was hired to provide legal services for securing the registration for the Sun Civil Society Forum as a guaranteed company under the company registration act and develop articles for the Forum</li> <li>5. Received approval for the name of the forum. It will be named as “Scaling up Nutrition People’s Forum”.</li> <li>6. Following three(03) technical sub committees were established under four (04) thematic areas; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Better communication for Nutrition-</b> This committee will work on to make sure correct messages on nutrition are communicating to the community in more efficient manner. Further this committee will be alert on any kind of violation of code of conducts with regard to the nutrition development in the country.</li> <li>• <b>First 1,000 days of nutrition-</b> This committee will work on to promote first 1000 days concept. The committee will work with relevant stakeholders to develop integrated approach on promoting maternal nutrition, exclusive breast feeding and proper weaning practices.</li> <li>• <b>Food Security and Nutrition –</b> This committee will come up with innovative ideas and strategies to linked up Scaling up Nutrition activities with livelihood and agriculture programs.</li> </ul> <p>All these three committees will develop TOR and guidelines for their committees .A focal point organization was selected for each subcommittee to lead the activities coming under particular thematic areas (See Annex B).</p> </li> <li>7. Chief Executive Officer was recruited for SUN Project Secretariat on consultant basis and two Coordinators were recruited on pre-in cooperation employee agreements. Office of the SUN Secretariat was established in Save the Children office premises. All the major procurements for SUN secretariat office were done through by Save the Children following their procurement guidelines.</li> <li>8. Under outcome 1- forming SUN Civil Society Forum- Potential CBOs for the membership of the CS Forum will be identified through a mapping exercise. Methodology for mapping CBOs was finalized with the inputs from Interim Executive Council. A desk review will be done initially and district level meetings will be organized to register the identified</li> </ol>	
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	CBOs.	
2. Strong civil society alliance supported and monitored the Sri Lanka multi sectoral action plan in accelerating “nutrition specific” and “nutrition sensitive” interventions that with the appropriate budgetary allocation by the government and other stakeholders by 2015.	<p>1. Two meetings with Ministries involved with Multi Sectoral Action Plan for Nutrition (MSAPN) were held in May and June 2014. National Nutrition Secretariat organized these two meetings and SUN Civil Society Forum represented the entire civil society of the country at these meetings.</p> <p>Key outcome of the meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SUN Civil Society Forum was introduced as the authorized representative of the Civil society at MSAPN coordinating meeting</li> <li>• SUN Civil Society Forum had opportunity to learn how 17 government ministries involved with Multi Sectoral Action Plan for Nutrition.</li> <li>• SUN Civil Society Forum had opportunity to bridge relationship with focal point for scaling up nutrition in each ministries.</li> </ul>	On schedule
3. Civil Society alliance shared global and regional lessons learned, best practices and research outcomes among partners, while capitalization of resources maintained good governance and aid effectiveness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No achievements yet-This will be reported during future reporting periods</li> </ul>	On schedule

### Qualitative achievements against outcomes and results:

#### **Result of Outcome -1**

#### **Recognition from national nutrition program as a partner of Multi Sectoral Action Plan**

- Government of Sri Lanka has given priority for uplifting country nutritional status by establishing National Nutrition Council under the leadership of H.E. the President of Sri Lanka. National Nutrition Secretariat (NNS) has been formed by National Nutrition Council in order to develop Multi Sectoral Action Plan for Nutrition (MSAPN). This MSAPN has approved by the cabinet and NNS was assigned to coordinate relevant ministries to implement MSAPN. Dr. Lalith Chandradasa has been appointed as the National Nutrition Coordinator to coordinate the implementation of Multi Sectoral Action Plan. Further Dr. Lalith is the country focal point to SUN global movement.
- Dr. Lalith has given his fullest cooperation to form Interim Executive Council for the SUN project. He supported SUN secretariat and Save the Children to select organizations for the Interim Executive Council and invitation letters to the organization to attend inception meeting were sent from NNS and the meeting has organized at the President’s secretary’s office.
- It was an achievement for the program that NNS gave full recognition to the SUN Civil Society Forum as the sole representative of the civil society in MSAPN implementation and collaboratively worked with Save the Children to form Interim Executive Council of SUN Civil Society Forum.
- Adding more qualitative achievement to the program, NNS took the lead in organizing inaugural meeting for the organizations who have been identified as potential members of Interim Executive Council. The meeting was held at President Secretary’s office and Dr. Lalith chaired the meeting.

#### **Willingness of CBOs to join SUN Civil Society Forum**

- Positive responses received from the organizations who were invited to be members of the SUN Civil Society Interim Executive Council can also be considered as qualitative achievement of the program. Leading Civil society organizations in the country such as Plan International Sri Lanka, World Vision Sri Lanka,

Sarvodaya, Seva Lanka, Nucleus Foundation, Child Fund Sri Lanka, Palm Foundation & Nutrition Alliance were invited and they all promptly agreed to become member of the Interim Executive Council.

### **Results of Outcome 2**

- SUN Civil Society Forum was recognized as a member of the National Nutrition Focal point meeting to represent civil society of the country by NNS. This meeting is organized every month by NNS and is chaired by Dr. Lalith Chandradasa. In this meeting, 17 Ministries involved with Multi-Sector Action Plan discuss the progress and way forward to scale up Nutrition of the country. It is a great qualitative achievement for SUN Civil Society Forum to get the seat of the this high level coordination meeting to bring inputs and concerns from civil society point of view in to the national program.

### **Results of Outcome 3**

Outcome 3 are not expected until SUN Civil Society Forum fully established and build up the capacities of the member organization.

The term “programme” is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes.

Annex 1-a)

Attendance list for First Interim Executive Council Meeting held on 12 May 2014 at President Secretary's Office

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Dr Lalith Chandradasa	National Nutrition Coordinator- NNS
Ms Kathy Derore	WFP
Mr William Lynch	Save the Children International
Dr Dula de Silva	Save the Children
Ms Dilki Peiris	World Vision Sri Lanka
Mr Ned Espy	Plan International
Dr Kalan Peiris	Plan International
Ms P. M. Sandamali	Child Fund Sri Lanka
Ms Vishaka Thilakarathne	Nutrition Alliance
Mr Ravi airiyawickrama	Sarvodaya
Ms. Geethmi Wijesinghe	Sarvodaya
Ms. Achini Weerasinghe	NNS
Mr Saman Priyadharshana	Nutrition Alliance
Mr Methsiri DeSilva	Save the Children
Mr. Saman Kalupahana	Save the Children
Mr. Roshan Sharjehan	Palm Foundation

Annex 1-b)

Attendance List – for the Second Meeting for Interim Executive Council – SUN Civil Society Forum

<b>Names</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Dr. Lalith Chandradasa	National Nutrition Coordinator
Dr. Dula de Silva	Consultant- Save the Children
Ms. Kathy Derore	WFP
Mr. Methsiri de Silva	SC
Miss. Vishaka Thilakaratne	Nutrition Alliance
Ms. Dilka Peiris	World Vision
Ms. Achala Samaradivakara	Sewa Lanka Foundation
R.P.M. Sandamali	Child Fund
Mr. Dave Maurice	Nucleus Foundation
Anupama Dias	WFP
Ms. Achini Weerasinghe	President Secretariat
Mr. S. Roshan	Palm Foundation
<b>EXCUSED</b>	
Mr. Ravi Ariyawickrama	Sarvodaya
Dr. Kala Peiris	Plan International

Annex –B

<b>Thematic Area</b>	<b>Sub Committee</b>	<b>Leading Organization</b>
Better Communication for Nutrition	Communication Sub Committee	Nutrition Alliance
Economic Development and Nutrition	Food Security Sub Committee	Seva Lanka Foundation
Food Security and Nutrition		
Nutrition of First 1000 days of life	First 1000 Days Sub Committee	Child Fund Sri Lanka