

SUN Movement Multi-Partner Trust Fund



PROGRAMME¹ QUARTERLY PROGRESS UPDATE – YEAR 2014

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Participating UN Organization:	 World Food Programme wfp.org				
Implementing Partner(s):	Civil Society Alliance for SUN, Bangladesh (CSA for SUN)				
Programme Number:	# 00084692 SUN-Window 2/BGD/001 “Civil Society”				
Programme Title:	Scaling up nutrition by civil society in Bangladesh				
Total Approved Programme Budget:	US\$ 535,000				
Location:	BRAC Centre, 75 Mohakhali, Dhaka 1212, Bangladesh				
MC Approval Date:	August 28, 2012				
Programme Duration:	36 months	Starting Date:	October 2012	Completion Date:	September 2015
Funds Committed:	US\$ 500,000 project US\$ 35,000 ISC			Percentage of Approved:	100%
Funds Disbursed:	US\$ 183,912			Percentage of Approved:	34%
Expected Programme Duration:	36 months	Forecast Final Date:		Delay (Months):	---

Outcomes:	Achievements/Results:	Percentage of planned:
A CSO Network in Bangladesh that is fully operational and successfully influencing policy making by 2013,	Nationwide advocacy on the SUN Movement: The key messages of the SUN Movement, emphasizing the 1000 Days Approach, continue to be disseminated through district level advocacy seminars. Seminar participants included local level government officials, civil surgeons, religious	

<p>and into 2014</p>	<p>leaders, teachers and other stakeholders, with the purpose of creating a movement at the district level for scaling up nutrition, alongside ongoing work at national level in Dhaka. <i>Please see attachment “Appendix 1”</i></p> <p>Taking innovative awareness-raising opportunities through the membership: CSA for SUN participated in a daylong “Eradicate Extreme Poverty Day” organized by General Committee member Shiree. CSA for SUN took part in information sharing and networking during the event by establishing a booth which displayed information and communication materials. <i>Please see attachment “Appendix 2”</i></p> <p>Continued use of electronic media: Another Talk Show was televised in this quarter, involving the Secretary of the Ministry of Education and two renowned professors from the University of Dhaka in order to engage a segment of the audience beyond the health sector. <i>Please see attachment “Appendix 3”</i></p>	
<p>Enhanced sharing of evidenced based information, research findings and resources among stakeholders to achieve effective implementation of nutrition programs</p>	<p>Community involvement in the SUN Movement: As the civil society network of the SUN Movement, CSA for SUN strives to raise the issue of malnutrition at the community level. CSA for SUN had the opportunity to do so during the SUN CSN Global Day of Action, when art and quiz competitions regarding nutrition were held across Bangladesh by the General Committee members of CSA for SUN. The artwork was displayed in the Global Day of Action national event held in Dhaka, attended by civil society, donors, UN, government and other stakeholders. <i>Please see attachment “Appendix 4”</i></p> <p>Development of media tools: A 60-second TV Spot was developed by CSA for SUN using popular author and professor Dr. Muhammed Zafar Iqbal, regarding the importance of 1000 days nutrition for brain development. A media plan is now being prepared for this TV Spot, which has been approved by the technical committee under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.</p>	
<p>Comprehensive, coherent and adequately financed national nutrition plan adopted by mid of 2013 and implemented by the Government by mid-2014</p>	<p>CSA for SUN has participated in active policy discussions with relevant policymakers, particularly multisectoral stakeholders. During the Global Day of Action national event, stakeholders who work with different levels committed to scaling up nutrition in their individual programs.</p>	

	<p>Due to the involvement of high-profile members of the Ministry of Women and Children’s Affairs (State Minister) and Ministry of Education (Secretary) in CSA for SUN’s activities, there is increasing opportunity to garner commitment from these two ministries in the civil society’s movement against malnutrition.</p> <p><i>Please see attachment “Appendix 5”</i></p>	
<p>A joint tracking system established to monitor progress of NNS with the active support from CSA for SUN by mid-2013</p>	<p>One of CSA for SUN’s objectives is to assist the Government develop a joint action plan involving all sectors for the country to track progress with evidence based research data to share gaps and issues during each annual planning review meeting regarding nutrition sensitive and nutrition specific interventions.</p> <p>Progress towards this outcome includes a working session on the development of a joint nutrition communication and advocacy strategy with the Government of Bangladesh and relevant stakeholders working in the health and nutrition sector at the capital.</p> <p>In the district level, CSA for SUN co-facilitated a nutrition advocacy training forum organized by UN REACH in Satkhira, which is an example of an advocacy activity relevant to a particular area, to really enable a countrywide movement.</p> <p><i>Please see attachment “Appendix 6” and “Appendix 7”</i></p>	

Qualitative achievements against outcomes and results:
<p>The SUN Movement Donor Network Facilitator Ms. Anna Taylor, Senior Nutrition Adviser-DFID visited the CSA for SUN Secretariat for a meeting regarding current activities, future plans and challenges faced.</p> <p>Online meetings and email correspondence with the SUN CSN Secretariat and members have taken place during the planning phase of the Global Day of Action; it was a general consensus that the need for regional cooperation and communication is important for a collective voice to combat malnutrition in the region.</p>