



Civil Society Alliance on Nutrition in Nepal (CSANN)

Meeting minute of 3rd CSANN – Executive Committee meeting

Introduction

The 3rd Executive Committee meeting of Civil Society Alliance on Nutrition in Nepal (CSANN) was held on 13th June, 2014 (30th Jestha, 2071), 2:00 pm under the chairpersonship of NNF at CSANN Secretariat, NTAG building, Maitighar, Kathmandu, Nepal. The main objectives of the meeting are to make discussion and decisions on following:

1. Finalization of the district to be visited for establishing the CSO alliance and to discuss about the process of alliance establishment at the district.
2. Conduction of CSANN EC meeting at SWC, MoHP and NPC.
3. Conduction of Sensitization workshop among policy makers.
4. Meeting for interaction with media.
5. CSANN website development



Participants of the CSANN EC-meeting

Issue: Finalization of the district to be visited for establishing the CSO alliance and to discuss about the process of alliance establishment at the district; exploration for CSO alliance

Discussion and Decision:

District confirmed for visit : Saptari

Date for field visit : 17th to 19th June, 2014

Field Visit Team : Dr. Uma Koirala, Dr. Kalpana Tiwari, Mr. Sunil Shrestha, Mr. Narayan Subedi, Mr. Deepak Thapa, Mr. Padma Raj Joshi, Dr. Ojaswi Acharya, Ms. Anjalina Karki and Ms. Prativa A.C.

TOR is needed to be prepared for this visit. TOR will be drafted and shared with DDC and DHO.

The agenda for this exploratory visit should also mention observing view/perception of target group about the appropriateness of establishing this type of alliance.

Arrangement for field visit:

* Air ticket – 9 * Vehicle hire – 3 days

* Accommodation: 1500/night x 9 persons excluding food

Flight to Biratnagar; in case Save the Children Int. does not agree, the team member will share the cost for flight to Biratnagar. Ms. Prativa will coordinate with Ms Anjalina for the management of field visit.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday 16 June, 2014; 3-5pm at CSANN Secretariat, NTAG building, Maitighar. This is the briefing meeting for field visit and participants for field visit will attend the meeting



Issue:

- Conduction of CSANN EC meeting at SWC, MoHP and NPC.
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Discussions and Decisions:

- The meeting with SWC, MoHP and NPC and Sensitization workshop will be conducted on July.
- The meeting with media will be conducted on August; however the venue and date will be confirmed later.

Extra issues and discussions made

- **Use series of photo to promote and advocate about nutrition**

The common template for powerpoint presentation can be used by any CSANN members to brief about CSANN and its activities. The photographs demonstrating how the nutritional status of one stage of life effects on the consequent life stage; with more emphasis life cycle approach in needed, for advocating about Generation Nutrition. The related photographs will be collected from Ms. Roshani Shrestha and Ms. Preeti Subba.

- **Right to Food**

The definition include nutrition, however the matter of “food security” should be focused.

- **Publications of CSANN brochure and advocacy materials**

The brochures to be published, one in english and another in nepali medium; if we are using HANCI contents, we need to quote HANCI or if we are using Generation Nutrition contents, we need to quote Nutrition Generation.

The committee can come up with other ideas in the meeting of 20th June (Generation Nutrition)

- **Publication of nutrition related news bulletin**

Mr. Padam Raj Joshi (Journalist) suggested the publication of monthly news bulletin for nutrition or other form of news letter. The news bulletin of nutrition should be published monthly/ bimonthly.

The publication of news bulletin should be cost effective. It should be made published in such a way that it could be published in a mass and made available and affordable to the people of grass root level. It should be published in the regular basis and contain purely health and nutrition related matters/activities. The nutrition news can include the progress report of SUAAHRA program and other nutrition program being implemented in nationwide, scenario for overall situation of nutritional status of the country, story of innovation in nutrition field.

- Online magazine is more effective than hard copy magazine.
- National popular daily news paper (e.g. Kantipur daily, Himalayan Times, etc) can be requested to include additional page in their newspapers for the nutrition messages/activities

Or to provide a column in the paper for publishing the health related information.

- Nutrition message can be printed in the place of “page no” of news paper, it will also support in the publicity of CSANN.

Some highlighted issues

- CSANN budget preparation in process – any allocation needed?? Any revision?
- In Nepal, CSOs are given priority in almost all nutrition related activities; so CSANN need to raise nutrition related voices.
- In coordination with SWC, CSANN should be allowed to take part in the monitoring and evaluation of the nutrition related programs.
- Mr. Giri Raj Subedi appreciated the work of CSANN and mentioned that CSANN will help the nutrition related work to move forward.
- Lobby should be created with SWC to make other NGOs make work in coordination with CSANN, by this CSANN will be a focal point and it will aid in the sustainability of the CSANN.
- Coordination for the meeting with SWC will be done by Mr. Deepak Thapa
- CSANN should move forward in bilateral with NGO federation as well.
- Responsible person for advocacy meeting to be conducted in July need to be decided.
- Follow up of interns for CSANN will be done by Ms. Prativa
- CSANN website will be created by IT professional of Save the Children International.

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