**Afghanistan**

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| **Programme Title:** | Feeding the Children of Afghanistan Together |
| **Programme number & MDTF ref:** | MDGF-2008-I-AFG (67242) |
| **Window:** | Children, Food Security & Nutrition |
| **Approved Budget by NSC (US$):** | 5 million |
| **Participating Organizations:** | FAO, WHO, WFP, UNICEF, UNIDO |
| **First Tranche transferred on:** | 15-Dec-2009 |
| **ACTIVITIES Reported:** | |
| **Main Organizational Activities:**  Coordination structure set up at National (NSC, PMC. TWG) & Sub national (PCC, DCC). Selection of target areas 5 provinces (4 rural and 1 urban) and 2 districts/province. Inception workshop was organized to review and build consensus on the document. Ministry of Higher Education - set up a technical working group (Nutrition Curriculum development working group) for developing course curriculum for offering Masters degree in Public Health Nutrition. Ministry of School Education has set up a working group to review & analyze the existing school curricula documents for grades 1-6. Nutrition education will be included in subject of Life Skill for grades 1-3 and in the subject of Science, Health & Environment for grades 4-6- targeted beneficiaries are 6.5 million school children. | |
| **Main Substantive Activities:** | |
| District level participatory planning meetings conducted in all targeted areas and district specific plan of action developed. TOT for management of severe acute malnutrition conducted. TOT for setting up of Kitchen gardens, school nutrition gardens and hospital gardens has been done. Seeds and gardening tool kits distributed in 8/10 targeted district. Community based nutrition surveillance (MUAC screening of young children & pregnant women) is being set up in 8 districts of 4 provinces. Integrated Model for delivery of nutrition and food security interventions at community level is being finalized. Work on a National multisectoral plan of action on nutrition is underway. | |
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| **Problems and lessons learned:**  Challenge: Lack of institutional mechanism to deliver integrated food and nutrition interventions at the community level.  Best practice: Synergy between different interventions in the target areas | |
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| **The programme reports relevant linkage to the UNDAF:** Yes | |
| **The programme has communications strategy in place:** No | |

CHARTS & FIGURES

As of 31 December 2010

