**Albania**

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| **Programme Title:** | Reducing Malnutrition in Children |
| **Programme number & MDTF ref:** | MDGF-2035-I-ALB Children(67253) |
| **Window:** | Children Food Security& Nutrition |
| **Approved Budget by NSC (US$):** | 4 million |
| **Participating Organizations:** | UNICEF,WHO, FAO |
| **First Tranche transferred on:** | 22-Jan-2010 |

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| **ACTIVITIES Reported:** |
| **Main Organizational Activities:** |
| MOU signed between Ministry of Health, Agriculture, Education, Social Affairs, and Finance committing for intersectoral interventions to improve nutrition and household food security. The JP was launched during national and regional events in the 1st half of 2010. |
| **Main Substantive Activities:** |
| Cost benefit analysis for nutrition interventions was prepared and the results are contributing to advocacy and preparation of the 2nd food and nutrition action plan. Conducted assessment of milling industry for flour fortification and action plan to create supportive environment for flour fortification and shared with key stakeholders. Field work for baseline food and nutrition survey completed. To complement the baseline survey, a qualitative survey on effects of gender and food prices in the household food security has been designed and field work commenced. Integrated nutrition modules were prepared for capacity development of health care workers. Completed the review and commenced adaptation stage of public health nutrition curricula for pre service training. |
| **Problems and lessons learned:** Competing priorities and commitments and insufficient numbers of trained staff in food security and nutrition, poses a challenge in timely planning development and implementation ofthe interventions. |
| **The programme reports relevant linkage to the UNDAF:** Yes |
| **The programme has communications strategy in place:** To be prepared in year 2 |

CHARTS & FIGURES

As of 31 December 2010

