



Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF)

Country: Nigeria

Title: Mobilizing and strengthening Civil Societies to Scale Up Nutrition in Nigeria

SUBMITTED by: UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN EMERGENCY FUND (UNICEF)

DURATION: 1 year

FORMAT TO BE FILLED BY THE PARTICIPATING UN ORGANIZATION¹ for SUBMISSION TO SUN SECRETARIAT

¹ Some parts have been filled-in by SUN Secretariat with information coming from implementing partners

A. Cover Page

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Programme Title: Mobilizing and strengthening Civil Societies to Scale up Nutrition in Nigeria

Programme Number:
MPTF – Window 2 -026

Programme Costs:

SUN Movement MPTF: 212,943 USD
(199,012.42 USD direct cost +
13,930.88USD indirect cost to APHPN
via UNICEF)

Other: 25,670.52 USD

TOTAL (USD): 238,613.92

Programme Location:

Nigeria (Abuja)

Programme Duration:

Total duration (in months): 12 months
Expected Start date²: 1st January, 2015
Expected End date: 31st December, 2015

Review & Approval Dates

SUN Movement Secretariat
Review Date: 13th January 2015
Management Committee
Approval Date: 13th January 2015

Signatures of Participating UN Organization and Management Committee Chair

I.	Name of Representative for UN Participating Organization	Jean Gough
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	Name of UN Organization	UNICEF
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	Signature	
	Date	

² The official start date of any approved project/programme occurs when funds are transferred by MPTF Office.

B: Background of the collaboration between the PO and the national/international civil society alliance/platform and executive summary of the proposed collaboration.

Participating Organization:	United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)		
Implementing Partner(s):	Association of Public Health Physician of Nigeria (APHPN) (lead organization) with UNICEF, Save the Children, Nigeria, Nutrition Society of Nigeria (NSN), Medical Women Association, Food Basket Foundation International, Women in the New Nigeria, Prisoners Rehabilitation and Welfare Action, Helen Keller International among others national and international NGOs/CSOs will jointly implement the project.		
Programme Number:	MPTF – Window 2 -026		
Programme Title:	Mobilizing and strengthening Civil Societies to Scale Up Nutrition in Nigeria		
Approved Programme Budget:	212,943.40 USD (199,012.42 USD direct cost +13,930.88 USD indirect cost to Association of Public Health Physician in Nigeria (APHPN) via UNICEF		
Location:	Nigeria		
MC Approval Date:	13 th January 2015		
Programme Duration:	1 year 2015		
Background to the collaboration between the PO and the Civil Society	<p>United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) is a member of the Nutrition Partners’ Forum and, in that position, has been able to influence policy on Food and Nutrition, along with WHO, Save the Children, Nutrition Society of Nigeria, Association of Public Health Physicians of Nigeria among others. The plan for the future is for all the Non-state Actors to work together to ensure that Nigeria has a strong coordination mechanism for Nutrition and is able to mobilize all stakeholders to fund nutrition interventions in Nigeria and put Nutrition tops on government agenda.</p>		
Executive summary of the proposed collaboration	<p>Nigeria’s progress towards attaining all the MDGs, particularly 1, 2, 4 & 5, by the end of 2015 depends on the efforts and choices governments and people make in scaling up Nutrition.</p> <p>Actions taken and statements made by governments at National, State and Local levels are thus far, good signals that Nigeria is ready to make the right choices. However, keeping the commitments and sustaining them in the long term will depend on the efforts of all components of the SUN movement to complement Government efforts and in particular on Civil Society organizations to collaborate and ensure that governments are accountable. This proposal is a response to MPTF RFP window 2 to enhance the capacity of Nigerian CSOs to make state and non-state actors accountable for scaling up Nutrition.</p> <p>The amount being requested by CS-SUNN to cover the respective activities in this proposal is 212,943.40 USD (199,012.42 USD direct</p>		

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Non State Actors came together in May/June 2013 to form an alliance, agreed to work together and advocated to the Nigerian government to make strong commitment during the G8 Nutrition for Growth Summit in London on the 8th of June, 2013.

The alliance further met to launch the Lancet 2013 series and have continued to advocate at National and sub-national levels on Nutrition in Nigeria.

Further consultation and mobilization is on-going and more members are being added through internet based adverts. The response to the membership drive has been quite encouraging.

CS-SUNN has come a long way and is here to promote nutrition in Nigeria by holding relevant stakeholders especially government accountable in the fight against malnutrition in Nigeria and push for citizens who are food and nutrition secured.

To set us in motion, the organization was formally launched and its median general meeting held where new steering committee members were elected to manage the affairs of the organization for the next six months.

Although the programme keyed into the breastfeeding week, the main theme for the launch was *“Accountability to Ensuring that Breastfeeding is a winning goal for life in Nigeria- The role of Civil Society Organisations”*

[A report of the Media Round Table and General Meeting of the Civil Society Initiative for Scaling Up Nutrition in Nigeria held on 7 August 2014 is attached]

Key Activities of the CS-SUNN

1. Developed a proposal for funding by MPTF
2. Developed a proposal for funding with Bill Gates Foundation
3. Held a visioning work-shop in Ilorin
4. Participated in the Agric- Nutrition Nexus building workshop
5. Advocacy letters to relevant stakeholders
6. Registration of CS-SUNN as a legal entity with the Cooperate Affairs Commission
7. Elected members interim steering Committee charged with the responsibility of running the affairs of CS-SUNN

The Civil Society action to support Nutrition in Nigeria is collaborating with the SUN focal person in Nigeria, Dr. Chris Osa Isokpunwu, to move the efforts forward.

C. Theory of change pursued by the proposal to scale-up nutrition

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Total Approved Programme Budget:	212,943.40 USD (199,012.42 USD direct cost +13,930.88 USD indirect cost to Association of Public Health Physician in Nigeria (APHPN) via UNICEF				
Location:	Nigeria (Abuja)				
MC Approval Date:	13 th January 2015				
Programme Duration:	12 MONTHS	Starting Date:	January 2015	Completion Date:	December, 2015
Description of why the proposed strategy is the best appropriate for scaling-up nutrition in the given national/global context	<p>Evidence of what works in several countries on track to achieving MDGs 1, 4 and 5 shows that there is a strong correlation between collaboration involving government and Non-state actors (including Civil Societies and Private Sector) and success of interventions. If Nutrition in Nigeria will be truly scaled up, there is compelling reason to ensure that CSO platform in Nigeria becomes strong enough to advocate for robust investment in Nutrition and to sustain the pressure. Currently, the voice of Civil Societies on Nutrition in Nigeria is not strong compared to HIV/AIDS and Polio.</p> <p>Nigeria has concluded the review of the National Food and Nutrition Policy, developed the new Strategic Plan for health sector response to malnutrition and costing of key nutrition interventions within the SUN framework. In addition, government initiated the "Saving One Million Lives" with Nutrition as one of the key pillars to achieve the objectives.</p> <p>The Nutrition Strategic plan of action (NSPAN) has just been reviewed and updated. The strategic plan of action provides an overview of the priority nutrition interventions and strategic direction for nutrition in the health sector. It consolidates and builds upon various health sector strategies and effort such as the National Strategic Health Development Plans 2010-2015</p> <p>Although, the National Council of health as adopted the strategic plan, as a key policy document, most states in the country are yet</p>				

	<p>to operationalize the National Plan of Action. The NSPAN requires an effective implementation institutional arrangement to ensure results-oriented programme implementation.</p> <p>This is an opportune time for CS-SUNN to partner with government and mobilize other non-state actors to support, track implementation, raise awareness, mobilize resources and engender accountability. The MPTF opportunity, therefore, offers additional opportunities for Nigeria and the SUN movement globally to scale up Nutrition actions.</p>
<p>Explain which Alliances (e.g. with other CSO networks such as breastfeeding/health alliances, right to food groups, farmers' organizations, red crosses etc) will be sought during the project to have increased impact</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Association of Public Health Physicians of Nigeria 2. Nutrition Society of Nigeria 3. Save the Children, Nigeria 4. Pro-Health International, Africa 5. Helen Keller International 6. Prisons Rehabilitation & Welfare 7. Food basket Foundation International 8. Women Wing of Christian Association of Nigeria 9. Federation of Muslim Women Association of Nigeria 10. Federation of Women Lawyers 11. National Association of Women Journalists 12. UNICEF 13. WHO
<p>Give account of risks factors to the project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is always the possibility of Civil Societies being suspected by government as an opposition especially when the issues of accountability are demanded. CS-SUNN aims to collaborate while maintaining independence and adopt superior arguments, based on evidence, to win over government and other stakeholders to align with the Nutritional aspirations of Nigeria. • There may be insufficient funds to carry out coalition activities: Membership of the alliance is voluntary and activities of the alliance, so far, have been supported by its members; however, additional funds beyond this grant will be required to sustain related activities to fully realize the vision of the alliance. Members of the alliance have pledged their continued support and to mobilize other resources to support the project. • Bureaucracy in government remains a challenge. This will require the alliance to find innovative ways of dealing with the challenge. The alliance will encourage strengthening partnerships with government institutions.

D. The Proposed Programme, including Results framework/logframe and budget as submitted by civil society alliances/platforms (attach them)

Budget: (budgets must be submitted in Excel as well)

This budget in table 3 below must be prepared for funding requested from the SUN Movement MPTF and preferably be accompanied by a detailed budget for each line item, providing a description of the item and the calculation of cost.

PROGRAMME BUDGET (SUN Movement MPTF Funds only)

SUN Movement MPTF PROJECT BUDGET*	
CATEGORIES	AMOUNT (USD)
1. Staff and other personnel costs*	41,485.17
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	1,021.42
3. Equipment, Vehicles and Furniture including Depreciation	2,413.68
4. Contractual Services	36,330.95
5. Travel**	23,118.55
6. Transfers and Grants Counterparts (see below)	0
7. General Operating and Other Direct Costs	120,313.28
8. Indirect Support Costs ***	13,930.88
SUN Movement MPTF Grant	USD 212,943.40
BREAKDOWN OF PROJECT COSTS	
TOTAL PROJECT COST	USD238,613.92
CS-SUNN's Counterpart Contribution (see details in excel)	USD 25,670.52
SUN Movement MPTF Grant	USD 212,943.40

* International consultancies are not eligible as part of the staffing costs nor as part of the contractual services

** Per diems and other allowances are not eligible as part of events participation

***Indirect support cost should be in line with the rate of 7%, as specified in the SUN Movement MPTF TOR and MOU and SAA, Section II- Financial Matters.

E. Monitoring, evaluation, and reporting

While monitoring and reporting will be done as per agreement between the Partner Organization and the Civil Society Alliances/platforms, it is expected that a narrative report is produced quarterly for sharing with the Members of the Management Committee and for possible publishing on the web,