



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

Country/region: **Kyrgyz Republic**

Title: **Creating of enabling environment/structural support to improve nutrition for the sake of justice and future generations in the Kyrgyz Republic**

SUBMITTED by:

**UNICEF Kyrgyzstan with Public Fund “Innovative Solution”,
Public Union “Center of Monitoring” and
Kyrgyz Association of Salt producers**

Project DURATION: **24 months**

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Programme Title:

Creating of enabling
environment/structural support to improve
nutrition for the sake of justice and future
generations in the Kyrgyz Republic

Programme Number:

MPTF WINDOW 2 - 020

Programme Costs:

SUN Movement MPTF:
USD \$220,000 (programme cost)
USD\$ 15,400 (indirect cost)

Other:
USD\$ 49,800 (NGOs
Contribution to the project);
USD\$ 21,965 (UNICEF
Contribution to conduction of
NGO Forum)
TOTAL (USD): 307,165.00

Programme Location:


Kyrgyz Republic (countrywide)

Programme Duration:

Review & Approval Dates

Total duration (in months): 24 months	SUN Movement Secretariat Review Date: 27 th of November, 2013 Management Committee Approval Date: 27 th of November, 2013
Expected Start date ¹ : Jan 2014	
Expected End date: 31 December 2015	

Signatures of Participating UN Organization and Management Committee Chair

I.	Name of Representative for UN Participating Organization	Jonathan Veitch,
	Signature	
	Name of UN Organization	U
	Date	14
IV.	Name of Management Committee Chair	D
	Signature	
	Date	

¹ 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:	UNICEF in Kyrgyz Republic	
Implementing Partner(s):	Public Fund "Innovative Solution", Public Union "Center of Monitoring", Kyrgyz Association of Salt producers	
Programme Number:		
Programme Title:	Creating of enabling environment/structural support to improve nutrition for the sake of justice and future generations in the Kyrgyz Republic	
Approved Programme Budget:	USD\$ 235,400	
Location:	Kyrgyz Republic	
MC Approval Date:	27 th of November, 2013	
Programme Duration:	24 months	
Background to the collaboration btw the PO and the Civil Society	<p>UNICEF Kyrgyzstan had been working with CSOs in nutrition area since 2007. A few NGOs were involved in promoting nutrition related laws and policies, and some NGOs in working with wider population to promote consumer's right, i.e. checking the quality of iodized salts in the markets and shops. UNICEF jointly with Ministry of Health working closely with Association of Salt Producers and Association of Millers, and building their capacity on conducting internal and external monitoring, to provide quality nutritious food for the entire population. Starting from 2009, when UNICEF initiated the new home fortification program "Gulazyk" for children 6-24 months, where role of NGOs, particular Village Health Committees (VHC) in working with mothers and families at community level opened up new means. VHCs played significant role in raising awareness of mothers on use and value of vitamins and minerals for child physical, cognitive and socio-emotional development.</p>	

<p>Executive summary of the proposed collaboration</p>	<p>This proposed collaboration aimed at finding CSO's role in established sustainable multisectoral platform/mechanism for coordination and promoting nutrition in the country. All activities will be in line and complimentary to the activities outlined in the National Nutrition Plan and will be closely supervised by the SUN Focal point and National Expert Group, which will serve as a SUN platform for Kyrgyzstan in the future. Within this project CSO Alliance/network working in the Nutrition will be institutionalized.</p> <p>The project consists of three main components that will create and support institutional conditions to maintain national policies aimed at access of vulnerable population to quality nutrition in context of equity and fairness.</p> <p>First component focuses on establishing national, political, sustainable state structures and platforms for developing, monitoring of nutrition specific and nutrition sensitive Policies in the country. Within this component the detailed analysis of an existing situation, namely available resources, capacity, budget allocation will be conducted, which will help to develop data base, plan of action and tools for scaling up nutrition interventions.</p> <p>Second component ensures creating enabling environment for nutrition in the country. Main activities within these components are inventory of all existing laws and regulative documents directly and indirectly related to nutrition and quality of life.</p> <p>Third component includes activities designed to strengthen the capacity of main stakeholders and raising awareness of the in the nutrition.</p> <p>UNICEF will work as a main facilitator between Government, development partners and CSOs. Within this project CSO Alliance/network working in the Nutrition will institutionalized.</p>
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C. Theory of change pursued by the proposal to scale-up nutrition

Participating UN Organization:	UNICEF in Kyrgyz Republic			
Implementing Partner(s):	Public Fund "Innovative Solution", Public Union "Center of Monitoring", Kyrgyz Association of Salt producers			
Programme Number:				
Programme Title:	Creating of enabling environment/structural support to improve nutrition for the sake of justice and future generations in the Kyrgyz Republic			
Total Approved Programme Budget:	USD \$ 220.000			
Location:	Kyrgyz Republic (countrywide)			
MC Approval Date:	27 th of November, 2013			
Programme Duration:	24 MONTHS	Starting Date:		Completion Date:
Description of why the proposed strategy is the best appropriate for scaling-up nutrition in the given national/global context	<p>In the situation when Government is planning and implementing all country and sectoral programs and population is not involved, and not aware, we see great role of civil society. In Nutrition area, in Kyrgyzstan context, as well as the Global, with high anaemia prevalence among women and children and growing deficiency conditions which lead to increasing of children born with various disability in the situation, where nutrition considered as a health issue, there is a big room for raising awareness of the people. We hope we can fill gap between Policy and practice and help to build environment for constructive dialog between all stakeholders.</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>Starting from 2012, UNICEF Kyrgyzstan began its work in involving CSO sector in nutrition. Jointly with MoH, in 2012 and then 2013 has been several Round tables conducted with representatives of civil sector in different locations of the country. In December, 2013 UNICEF and MoH has organized National RT "Civil Society for improving the nutrition quality" which gathered NGOs from over the country, involved and interested in further promoting nutrition. As outcome of this RT, National CSO Alliance for Nutrition which will be promoting improvement of the nutrition of the population has been created. Main area where CSO Alliance would like to be involve are; awareness raising on proper nutrition among general population, and promoting of improved Legislation of Nutrition in the country;</p> <p>Below is provided the list of NGOs which demonstrated their interest and nutrition and signed up as member of SCO Alliance for Improved Nutrition for the population. This Alliance is not legal entity yet, but in the anticipated that MoU will be signed. To develop Action Plan, and MoU the working group of the Alliance was created.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">List of CSOs, members of the Working Group</p>			

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kyrgyzstan's Congress of Women 2. PU «Nurmadistan» 3. Public Union of parents of handicapped children «Ak-Tilek– Ak-Dobo», Talas 4. PU «Onor bulagy» 5. PF «6th April – Talas people revolution» 6. PU «Rural life», Issykkul oblast 7. PU «Progress through education» 8. PU «Pir - Solomon» 9. PU «Association of parents of handicapped children» 10. PU «Alliance of reproductive health» 11. PU «Eco-zdorovyе» 12. ЭД «Tabiyat», 13. PU «Fazeland», 14. PF "Insan-Leilek", Batken province 15. PF "For tolerance international" 16. Alliance of women's legislative initiatives 17. PF "Smile.Kg", Osh city 18. Center of support of civil cosiety, Jalal-Abad city 19. PF "Rema", Batken province. 20. "DCCA" (Development and cooperation in Central Asia) 21. PF «Mumtaz-Center» Osh city 22. PU «New leaders of Naryn», Naryn city 23. Global public initiatives, Karakol and Balykchy cities 24. PU "Stimul.Kg", Karakol city 25. PU "Alga", Chui province. 26. Association of Millers of KR;
<p>Give account of risks factors to the project</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Involvement of the CSOs in Nutrition will depend on funding and activities will stop after end of project; 2. Too many CSOs will be involved with different priorities and no common vision will be developed; 3. Created multisectoral platform will not serve as expected, due to lack of political will and capacity of Experts;

D. The Proposed Programme, including Results framework/log frame and budget as submitted by civil society alliances/platforms;

(Pls find attached "Result and logframe03022014)

Budget: (Pls find attached "BudgetforKyrgyzCSOproposal03022014")

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
1. Staff and other personnel costs*	63 870
2. Supplies, Commodities, Materials	64519,25
3. Equipment, Vehicles and Furniture including Depreciation	
4. Contractual Services	72 511
5. Travel**	17 600
6. Transfers and Grants Counterparts	
7. General Operating and Other Direct Costs	1 500 (bank charges)
8. Indirect Support Costs ***	
TOTAL	220 000,25

* 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 PO 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,

Submission Form and Assessment Fiche

Part A: Meeting Information <i>(To be completed by the SUN Movement Secretariat)</i>	
MC Meeting No:	Fifth meeting of the MPTF MC
Item No:	
Date of Meeting:	27.11.2013
Programme / Project	Creating of enabling environment/structural support to improve nutrition for the sake of justice and future generations in the Kyrgyz Republic

Part B: Programme ² Summary <i>(To be completed by the Participating Organization)</i>	
	Proposed programme, if approved, would result in: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New programme <input type="checkbox"/> Continuation of previous funding <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain)
PO at the country level (if applicable): <i>Head of Participating Organization(s):</i> Jonathan Veitch, UNICEF Representative, Kyrgyz republic	Contact: jveitch@unicef.org + 996 775 980292 (mobile); + 996 312 611 211 (ext.149) office ; UNICEF in Kyrgyz Republic, 160, Chui Avenue, 720040, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic
Implementing Partner(s): Public Fund "Innovative Solution", Public Union "Center of Monitoring", Kyrgyz Association of Salt producers	
Programme Title: Creating of enabling environment/structural support to improve nutrition for the sake of justice and future generations in the Kyrgyz Republic	
Total Programme Budget: US\$ 307,165.00	
Amount of SUN Movement MPTF funds requested: US\$ 220,000.00	
Amount and percentage of indirect costs requested by PO (7%): US\$ 15,400.00	

²The term "programme" is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes

Part B. Assessment of the proposal –key criteria

1. Background

The following criteria for assessing the proposals have been provided for by the Management Committee at its first Meeting on 9th July 2012.

Criteria:

- (a) each country proposal be funded with capping at an average of 400,000 USD with variation in the cap (between \$300,000 and \$500,000) depending on the numbers of stunted children under 5 in a specific country. The Management Committee can exercise its discretion and award grants above this amount in exceptional cases;
- (b) Choosing current UN mechanisms for joint agency action –where available- is an asset as for the choice of the PO;
- (c) technical soundness (situation analysis, institutional clarity, clear deliverables, means of verification);
- (d) clear and measurable results, including results-based focus;
- (e) alignment with national policies and strategies for scaling up nutrition as shown by support of the SUN country Focal point on behalf of the national SUN multi-stakeholder platform;
- (f) support of wider membership of the Civil Society Alliances/Platforms at national level as properly demonstrated by signed letters or similar to demonstrate there will be stronger and more inclusive civil society participation in national SUN platforms as the project is implemented;
- (g) budget wise grants will normally not be used for: (i) per diems and other allowances for participation in SUN-relevant events (ii) engagement of international consultants (iii) indirect costs over 7% of the approved proposal and: and (iv) communications tools that already exist within SUN (e.g. website) and can be used at no cost to disseminate results.

Part C: Administrative Review

(To be completed by the SUN Movement Secretariat)

4. Review by the SUN Movement Secretariat

(a)	Is the programme documentation complete? <i>(all parts of annex 1)</i>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(b)	Is the proposal within the agreed capping?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(c)	Is the PO chosen a UN mechanism for joint agency action?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
(d)	Is the proposal technically sound (situation analysis, institutional clarity, clear deliverables, means of verification)?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(e)	Does the proposal have clear and measurable results, including a	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

	results-based focus?	
(f)	Is the proposal aligned with national policies and strategies for scaling up nutrition as shown by support of the SUN country Focal point?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(g)	Is the proposal supported by wider membership of the Civil Society Alliances/Platforms at national level as properly demonstrated by signed letters or similar?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> UNCLEAR
(h)	Is the proposal inducing participation to SUN-relevant events with per diems and/or other cash allowances?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(i)	Is the proposal minimizing the utilization of international consultancies?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(l)	Are communications costs referring to any communication tools (including SUN website) that could otherwise be provided at no cost?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(m)	Is the Indirect Support Cost of the CS Alliances within the approved rate of 7%?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
(n)	Is the Progress Report included? <i>(for supplementary funding only)</i>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> n.a.

Part D: General Criteria for Prioritising

(a)	Please indicate the 2 key strength of the proposal with respect to the SUN movement?	1. The proposal –endorsed by the FP- seeks to lobby for establishment of a national coordination structure and related mechanisms for development and monitoring of nutrition policies 2. Sectoral budgetary analysis with nutrition lens emerges as a strong component to link advocacy to legislative work through parliamentarians’ hearings
(b)	please indicate the 2 key weaknesses –if any- of the proposal with respect to the SUN movement?	
(c)	Please indicate the key areas where budget would benefit revision/refinement if any?	
(d)	Please indicate any other documentation that might be required for final recommendation(s) by the Secretariat –if any?	

- Overall review of programme submission
 - 1. The secretariat recommends the MPTF Management Committee (MC) to approve the proposal given that additional information is provided on point (d) part D above.
 - 2. The Secretariat recommends MPTF MC to provide a grant of the amount of US\$ 222,000
 - 3. Secretariat recommends MPTF MC to allow the submitting organization to revise the proposal so to decide what to prioritize within the granted amount –also by taking into account suggestions at (c) part D above. The revised proposal to be sent to SUN Secretariat within the next 30 days.
 - 4. Secretariat recommends MPTF instructs Chair to sign for funds transfer to submitting organizations as the points 1-3 are complied with.
- please indicate final recommendations by the Secretariat including on amount.*

Part E: Decision of the Management Committee
(To be completed by the SUN Movement Secretariat)

5. Decision of the SUN Movement MPTF Management Committee

- Approved for a total budget of US\$
- Approved with modification/condition
- Deferred/returned with comments for further consideration
- Rejected

Comments/Justification

Part F: Administrative Agent Review
(To be completed by the MPTF Office)

6. Action taken by the Executive Coordinator, Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, UNDP

- Programme consistent with provisions of the SUN Movement MPTF Memorandum of Understanding with the Participating Organizations and the Standard Administrative Arrangement with donors.

Yannick Glemarec
Executive Coordinator,
Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office, UNDP

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Signature

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Date