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The SUN Movement 3.0 Joint Annual Assessment



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JOINT ANNUAL ASSESSMENT (JAA) REPORT SOMALIA.

SECTION 1 BASIC COUNTRY INFORMATION

This section is relevant to the following SUN Movement Strategic Objectives:

SO1: Strengthen and sustain strong policy and advocacy environments.

SO4: Ensure governance of SUN that promotes country leadership and responsibilities of government, aligns the resources of all Movement stakeholders behind country priorities, strengthens mutual accountability between Movement stakeholders and to those most at risk of malnutrition, with robust mechanisms to encourage and ensure such promotion, alignment and mutual accountability is realised.

Purpose: The SUN country records information on the existence of infrastructure and policy documents for the overall planning, management, and coordination of nutrition.

1 THE SUN FOCAL POINT/COUNTRY COORDINATOR AND MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PLATFORM

Note: Throughout the Joint Annual Assessment the multi-stakeholder platform and/or multi-sectoral coordination structure are summarised simply as 'MSP'.

- a. Name of SUN Focal Point/Country Coordinator: **Dr. Mohamed Abdi Farah**
Female/Male: **Male**
Contact details: **+252 61 722 0044**
- b. Title of SUN Focal Point/Country Coordinator within government: **SUN Focal Person (SUN-FP)**
Contracting Ministry: Office of Prime Minister, Federal Government of Somalia
Reporting to (name and title): **Mohamed Hussein Roble, Prime Minister**
- c. In-country recognised title of MSP: **National Coordination for Scaling-Up Nutrition (SUN)**
Note: Share membership list, if available.
- d. What is the stated function of the MSP? (e.g., does the MSP provide oversight of the national nutrition plan?)
Note: Share terms of reference (ToR) and structure, if available.
- e. Does the MSP membership include humanitarian, resilience, and disaster risk reduction actors?
Yes **No**
If yes, which positions within the Government do these members occupy? Please explain.
Nutrition Focal Persons for the respective

2 NATIONAL AND SUB-NATIONAL NUTRITION GOVERNANCE SYSTEMS, STRUCTURES, AND POLICIES TO SUPPORT PLANNING, COORDINATION, ADVOCACY, AND MONITORING

- a. Is a national multi-sectoral nutrition strategy, plan, or results framework available?
Yes *Note: Please share documents.*
Being developed
No Is the country considering development in the coming year? Yes/No
- b. Is your national nutrition plan (NNP) costed?
Yes *Note: If different to above: name and dates. Please share documents.*
Being developed
No Is the country considering costing the plan this year? Yes/No
Yes *Note: If different to above: name and dates. Please share documents.*

- c. Does a structure exist for the coordination of nutrition stakeholders at the sub-national level?
Yes
Being developed
No
- d. Is a nutrition information and monitoring system functioning to record actions and monitor progress towards achieving national nutrition targets?
Yes *Note: Please share the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) framework.*
Being developed
No Do you plan to set up a nutrition information system this year? Yes/**No**
- e. Is a nutrition advocacy or nutrition communication plan (or a plan in which nutrition features prominently) available?
Yes *Note: Please share the nutrition advocacy or nutrition communication plan.*
Being developed
No Do you plan to develop one during the coming year? Yes/**No**

3 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

- a. In the last 12 months, has the country faced or responded to a crisis requiring humanitarian assistance?
Yes *Note: Share current plans, including national COVID-19 response plans, even if there is currently no specific reference to nutrition.*
No
- b. Does the multi-stakeholder platform include all humanitarian resilience and disaster risk reduction actors?
All
Most
None
- c. Does the SUN Focal Point, or another representative from the multi-stakeholder platform, participate in the national emergency coordination systems and structures?
Yes
No

SECTION 1 SUMMARY

With reference to the past year, select the response (1-4) that best fits each of the statements below.

1. Not at all or to a very low extent in general.
2. To some extent/this is partially achieved.
3. In general, this is true, but it needs strengthening.
4. Yes, or generally true and functioning well throughout.

- Nutrition governance systems and structures are institutionalised within the government.

Select:

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please explain:

- Nutrition governance systems and structures are financed by the government.

Select:

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|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please explain:

- Policy frameworks are in place and facilitating the acceleration of progress on nutrition.

Select:

1

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2

4

Please explain:

- An advocacy strategy is in place and facilitating the acceleration of progress on nutrition.

Select:

1

3

2

4

Please explain:

SECTION 2 COORDINATION, ALIGNMENT AND RESULTS

This section is relevant to the following SUN Movement Strategic Objectives:

SO2: Develop and align shared country priorities for action

SO3: Build and strengthen country capacity

SO4: Ensure governance of SUN that promotes country leadership and responsibilities of government, aligns the resources of all Movement stakeholders behind country priorities, strengthens mutual accountability between Movement stakeholders and to those most at risk of malnutrition, with robust mechanisms to encourage and ensure such promotion, alignment and mutual accountability is realised

Objectives:

- The functionality of country governance and coordination mechanism (including stakeholder participation) is demonstrated and documented.
- The country reflects on its own progress concerning country plans and shared country priorities.
- Stakeholder contribution to the progress of and/or alignment with country plans is reviewed.
- Critical bottlenecks, actions to address them, and supporting stakeholders are identified.
- All stakeholders demonstrate alignment and take opportunities to strengthen accountability in relation to country priorities.

1 GOVERNANCE AND COORDINATION UPDATE

- a. How many times did the multi-stakeholder platform meet this year? **Once due to social distancing restrictions for Covid-19 pandemic**

Note: Share minutes and/or notes, if available.

- b. Have any major changes been made to the overall nutrition governance structure at sub-national or national levels during the past year that have influenced how the overall system functions, positively or negatively?

Yes If yes, please describe this very briefly.

No

2 THIS YEAR'S JOINT ANNUAL ASSESSMENT (JAA) PARTICIPATION

a	Participation record						
Stakeholder groups contributing to the JAA (in writing or during meeting)	Sectors represented Please tick the relevant boxes below and input specific sector participants.						
	Agriculture/ food	Health	Gender	Education	Water /sanitation	Social protection	Other
Government ministries representing:							
Agriculture, food, livestock,							
<i>Ministry of Fisheries, director of planning-Abdullahi Abdi Adow</i>	X						
<i>Ministry of Agriculture Irrigation-Head of food security- Mohamed Isse Farah</i>	X	X					
<i>Ministry of livestock forestry and Range- Director planning- Mustafa Ibrahim</i>	X						
Health							
<i>Ministry of health and Social affair- Head of HMIS-Hassan Sheikh</i>		X			X		
<i>Ministry of health and Social affair- Head of environment</i>		X			X		X- Environment
Gender/women's affairs/social inclusion							
<i>Ministry of women and Human rights-Director general- Issack Hussein</i>			X				
Education							
<i>Ministry Of Education Culture High Education-Abdurrahman Ali Mohamed.</i>				X			
Water and sanitation							
<i>Ministry of Energy and water resources-Head of Wash policy and planning-Adam Isack Abirahman</i>		X			X		
Social protection							
<i>Ministry of labor Social Affairs- Director planning- Salad Hussein</i>	X					X	
<i>Ministry of labor Social Affairs- Head of Socail protection- Fardowsa</i>	X					X	
Finance							
<i>Head of planning and Statistics unit-Ismail Mohamed Ali</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X	

Other ministry							
<i>Directorate of Environment and climate change- Biodiversity department- Hibaq Ali</i>	X						X Environment
<i>Name of ministry/department</i>							
Civil society (network lead and others, list)							
Networks representing:							
Donors (network lead and others, list)							
United Nations (UN) (network lead and others, list)							
Business (network lead and others, list)							
<i>Chamber of Commerce- Head of public realtions- Ahmed Elmi</i>							
Academia and science							
<i>SIMAD university- Head of reasearch- Ali Olow</i>				X			
<i>Jamhuriya University- Dean Department of Information and Technology-Abdullahi Mohamed Ali</i>				X X			
<i>Mogadishu University- Director Projects Departments -Abas Omar.</i>				X			
Other							

Please share a separate participation sheet (if relevant), meeting agenda, minutes, records, notes, presentations, action points, etc.

- c. In the case of networks that did not participate, please describe any efforts made to involve them, if they exist, or to encourage networks to be formed.
Business Network – in the coming years, we have prioritised awareness and orientation aimed at strengthening the functionality of the network.
- d. What worked well during the meeting in relation to strong participation, open discussions and questioning, facilitation, etc.?
- **Use of open plenary which provided platform to articulate status, progress and achievement across the multistakeholder platform actors**
- e. If high-level influencers or decision-makers participated, describe how their presence was influential in accelerating progress.
- **They provided the good will and leadership for actors to participate and contribute to the process hence inspiring energy to the process**

3 COUNTRY REFLECTS ON OWN PROGRESS

- a. Do the meeting participants consider that the country is on-track to achieve its own key national nutrition targets (e.g., with reference to specific targets in the NNP/national development plan)?

Yes

- b. If the information is available, is the country on-track with key national implementation (programming) targets?

Partially Yes

- c. Has the National Nutrition Plan, or equivalent, monitoring data (or report) for last year been discussed during this JAA? *Share any relevant reports.*

Yes

- d. Describe a specific achievement this year that is related to stronger governance and coordination.

- **The country made its Nutrition 4 Growth (N4G) commitment in respect to policy, financing, impact and programmes**
- **Appointment of SUN focal persons at all sub-national level and holding a joint capacity building/orientation workshop for the FPs in Mogadishu**
- **SUN also published studies on nutrition in internal peer reviewed journals which articulated fundamental evidence on nutrition governance and coordination**
- **Training of multisectoral platforms on Nutrition governance, leadership and coordination. The training brought together multiple actors across all SUN networks in the country.**
- **A National Food Security and Nutrition Bill consultations to inform development of the act was held**
- **Domestic Food Fortifications and food labelling guidelines were also developed and adopted**

4 REVIEW LAST YEAR'S PRIORITIES

a.

Last year's priorities	Bottleneck expected to be addressed	Have the agreed actions been implemented?	Have actions addressed the bottleneck?
Priority 1: <i>Development and operationalize (already developed) key policies and legal frameworks – FSNA act</i>	<i>Please explain Provide an overarching legal framework to guide food security and nutrition issues in the country</i>	<i>Please explain Yes – Consultation and legal assessment done. Drafting to follow thereafter</i>	<i>Please explain The activity is ongoing and yet to be completed</i>
Priority 2: <i>Conduct and hold multi-stakeholder and multisectoral learning and reflection workshops to inform evidence-based multisectoral programming.</i>	<i>Please explain Provide a platform to pause, reflect and learn from each other while enabling actors to adopt best practices in the country</i>	<i>Please explain Yes – joint planning and co-hosting of open multisectoral learning nutrition event is scheduled</i>	<i>Please explain The activity planning is ongoing and expected to be undertaken in mid-January, 2022</i>
Priority 3: <i>Strengthen multi-sectoral actor coordination, nutrition advocacy and capacity development across SUN networks.</i>	<i>Please explain Build capacity for nutrition governance, leadership and coordination among networks actors</i>	<i>Please explain The training workshops – blend of physical and virtual – were successfully held</i>	<i>Please explain Yes – post training evaluation reported improvement in intended knowledge and skills</i>

Last year's priorities	Bottleneck expected to be addressed	Have the agreed actions been implemented?	Have actions addressed the bottleneck?
Priority 4: Establishment of a Centre of Excellence for Nutrition for nutrition with the capacity for preservice training and knowledge management.	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Provide a one stop centre for multisectoral nutrition technical assistance, policy research and training support</i>	<i>Please explain</i> <i>No – budget still an issue</i>	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Not done yet</i>
Priority 5: Institutionalize budget tracking and analysis for nutrition funding across MSPs including development of budget & expenditure tracking tools across sectors.	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Provide insight on translation of nutrition funding commitment to disbursement and illuminate possible advocacy opportunities for increased nutrition funding</i>	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Yes – the study was done and findings disseminated in global nutrition financing learning event as well as national dissemination forums held nationally. There are plans to disseminate the findings to parliamentarians</i>	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Partially – the insight is useful in informing fund commitment advocacy. There are plans to disseminate report to parliamentarians and lobby for more fundings. We also expect to undertake budgetary cycle to inform advocacy opportunities at federal, state and district levels</i>
Priority 6: Strengthening and Integrating nutrition (nutrition sensitive/ specific) into curriculum of primary and higher education	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Provide a framework to inform nutrition education integrated curricula for ECDE</i>	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Yes – the study has developed and validated a comprehensive framework for integrated nutrition education into the ECDE Curricula</i>	<i>Please explain</i> <i>Yes – the framework will provide reference for curricula review and development</i>

- b. Can any specific stakeholder (ministry, region, network, etc.) be recognised for an exceptional contribution to accelerating progress in nutrition in the country? *Describe very briefly.*

UN Network and SUN CSO network have jointly worked and supported National Coordination for SUN Somalia to plan and implement nutrition priorities for the country. The networks have joint plans and consultation forums that steer nutrition agenda for the country

5 COMING YEAR'S PRIORITIES

What are the country's priorities for this year?

	Coming year's priorities
Priority 1: <i>Develop SUN multisectoral Governance and Coordination Structure</i>	<i>Please explain: The country doesn't have a solid and documented nutrition governance structure. This structure is expected to define structures with clear roles, ToRs and functionality at federal, state and district levels</i>
Priority 2: <i>Develop capacity building plan for SUN Somalia informed by needs assessment conducted at national and sub national level</i>	<i>Please explain: SUN Somalia intends to provide targeted capacity building for both SUN-FP, Champions and other multisectoral SUN-Network actors in line with its multisectoral mandates or roles informed by a targeted needs assessment conducted in the country. This will form basis of structured technical support, capacity building, mentorship, coaching and joint programming with the stakeholders</i>
Priority 3: <i>Hold an annual multisectoral nutrition learning event for nutrition actors</i>	<i>Please explain: SUN has institutionalised learning as a core element of its multisectoral coordination and leadership role. The multisectoral platform seeks to bring diverse actors to reflect and learn, disseminate best practices and document key lessons on nutrition agenda</i>

Critical bottlenecks to progress are identified during the JAA meeting. Stakeholders agree on what needs to be done to address the bottlenecks (actions) and who will take responsibility for those actions.

	Select the most appropriate bottleneck from the list	Actions to address bottleneck	Stakeholders responsible for action	Challenge expected or capacity gap
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stakeholders not aligned - Monitoring of progress not possible - Legislation development not progressing as planned - Funds not available or not committed - Funding commitments not honoured - Tracking of financing not possible - Implementation capacity not in place - Other, please specify. 			
1	<i>Monitoring of progress not possible</i>	<i>Please explain: Secure funding and technical assistance to establish an integrated M&E system for nutrition</i>	<i>Please explain SUN Networks and government</i>	<i>Please explain Lack of an institutionalised M&E framework for nutrition and dedicated resources which needs to be established Raising funds & integrating the system with other sectoral systems</i>
2	<i>Funds not available or not committed</i>	<i>Please explain: Sustained high level government advocacy to allocate more domestic funds to nutrition. Also partner and donor engagement in multiyear funding of nutrition projects</i>	<i>Please explain: Government & Partners</i>	<i>Please explain In 2021 N4G, government committed to increase domestic nutrition funding to 5% by 2025 which is a challenge due to limited fiscal capacity for government. There is over-reliance on donors and partners</i>
3	<i>Legislation development not progressing as planned</i>	<i>Please explain:</i>	<i>Please explain FAO and Government</i>	<i>Please explain</i>

SECTION 3 FINANCE

This section is relevant to the following SUN Movement Strategic Objectives:

SO3: Build and strengthen country capacity

SO4: Ensure governance of SUN that promotes country leadership and responsibilities of government, aligns the resources of all Movement stakeholders behind country priorities, strengthens mutual accountability between Movement stakeholders and to those most at risk of malnutrition, with robust mechanisms to encourage and ensure such promotion, alignment and mutual accountability is realised.

Objectives

- Stakeholders reflect on current status and progress related to financing for nutrition and functionality of the financial framework.
- Stakeholders' contribution to progress and/or alignment is reviewed.
- Stakeholder alignment is reflected upon, and the opportunity is taken to strengthen accountability in relation to country priorities.

1 STATUS OF KEY FINANCE-RELATED PROCESSES

- a. Has the funding gap (for this year) been identified?
- No
- Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress
- Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress
- Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please explain.*
- b. Has budget analysis been undertaken this year?
- No
- Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress
- Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress
- Yes/ functioning well
- c. Has domestic funding remained at the same level as last year?
- No
- Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress
- Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress
- Yes/ functioning well
- d. Has external/international funding remained at the same level as last year?
- No
- Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress
- Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress
- Yes/ functioning well
- e. Is expenditure on domestic nutrition actions being tracked?
- No
- Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress
- Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress
- Yes/ functioning well
- f. Is expenditure on external/international nutrition actions being tracked?

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well

g. Has a financing/resource mobilisation strategy been developed?

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well

h. Has advocacy taken place for increased domestic resource mobilisation with government?

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please explain. This could include, for example, roundtables, specific events, high-level meetings, investment cases, etc.*

i. Has advocacy taken place for resource mobilisation with other in-country actors?

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please explain.*

j. Has resource mobilisation advocacy taken place for private sector investment?

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please explain.*

k. Has resource mobilisation advocacy taken place for private sector investment?

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please explain.*

l. There is evidence of increased domestic funding disbursed to nutrition in related sectors.

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please specify sector and amounts if possible.*

m. There is evidence of increased external funding disbursed to nutrition in related sectors.

No

Being developed/low-level functioning/marginal progress

Advanced stage of development/encouraging progress

Yes/ functioning well *If yes, please specify sector and amounts if possible.*

2 KEY SUCCESSES THIS YEAR IN RELATION TO FINANCING

Please explain.

- Undertaken a budget analysis for government at MDA level to inform funding advocacy
- Government made a commitment to increase nutrition funding from 3% to 5% by 2025

3 DO YOU HAVE LESSONS TO SHARE WITH OTHER COUNTRIES?

Please explain.

- Institutionalising domestic budget tracking analysis is fundamental in providing an evidence-driven advocacy. However, this should be supported by a proper understanding of budgetary cycle to inform the advocacy level, period and other entry levels within the cycle for optimal results

4 SPECIFIC FINANCE-RELATED CHALLENGES

Please explain.

- Lack of information on budget making process to inform advocacy opportunities within the budgetary cycle – a technical review and advisory is critical here
- Lack of sustained advocacy and lobbying by nutrition champions at all levels due to capacity and resourcing gaps
- Lack of technical skills among national teams to undertake annual budget tracking and analysis
- Inaccess to disaggregated data for government MDAs as well as external nutrition financing – access to data remains a fundamental challenge

SECTION 3 SUMMARY

With reference to the past year, select the response (1-4) that best fits each of the statements below.

1. Not at all or to a very low extent in general.
2. To some extent/this is partially achieved.
3. In general, this is true, but it needs strengthening.
4. Yes, or generally true and functioning well throughout.

- The financial tracking system allows for monitoring of progress.

Select:

- 1 3
2 4

Please explain:

- Stakeholders have honoured their financial commitments.

Select:

- 1 3
2 4

Please explain:

- Stakeholders have generally aligned their investments with country priorities.

Select:

- 1 3
2 4

Please explain:

Budget tracking has not been fully institutionalised in the country to allow for progressive monitoring, review and evidence-driven advocacy – we have done one in 2021 and hope to institutionalise the process moving forward. This is also hampered by limited success in lobbying multisectoral actors to align their investment with the common results framework

SECTION 4 POLICY, ADVOCACY AND COMMUNICATION

This section is relevant to the following SUN Movement Strategic Objective:

SO1: Strengthen and sustain strong policy and advocacy environments.

Objectives:

- Progress on last year's policy, advocacy and communication priorities is reviewed.
- Common policy, advocacy and communication themes for the year ahead are defined.
- Support for implementation is mobilised.

1 WHAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE ON IMPLEMENTING LAST YEAR'S POLICY, ADVOCACY, AND COMMUNICATION PRIORITIES?

Priority	Progress	What has been achieved?
Priority 1	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 2	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 3	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 4	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 5	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>

2 DESCRIBE THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE IDENTIFIED BY STAKEHOLDERS FOR THEIR COMBINED ADVOCACY EFFORTS OVER THE COMING YEAR

Advocacy priority	Action	Stakeholders responsible for action
Priority 1	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 2	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 3	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 4	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>
Priority 5	<i>Please explain</i>	<i>Please explain</i>

3 WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING (IF ANY) MADE A STRONG CONTRIBUTION AND/OR HAD A STRONG INFLUENCE ON NUTRITION IN YOUR COUNTRY THIS YEAR?

- High-level political figure
- Parliamentarians
- Nutrition champions
- The JAA event
- Media events
- Public communications campaign
- SUN global events (e.g., the Global Gathering)
- Nutrition for Growth (N4G)
- UN Food Systems Summit
- Significant new external investment in nutrition
- Significant new decline in external funding for nutrition
- Other

What was achieved, by whom and how? *Please explain.*

Through high level political leadership and engagement of parliamentarians, the nutrition domestic financing has increased to 3% in the last few years. This also helped have nutrition as a chapter in the National Development Plan for the country which has helped raise nutrition agenda as a national priority while making it eligible for domestic funding by the government

SECTION 4 SUMMARY

With reference to the past year, select the response (1-4) that best fits each of the statements below.

1. Not at all or to a very low extent in general.
2. To some extent/this is partially achieved.
3. In general, this is true, but it needs strengthening.
4. Yes, or generally true and functioning well throughout.

Advocacy frameworks and plans are enabling the acceleration of progress on nutrition:

Select:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please explain:

- New laws are enacted, or policies developed to promote equity.

Select:

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please explain:

The SMAC strategy has provided the basis for promoting harmonised nutrition advocacy across MSPs. Guidelines and messages informed by this strategy were developed to guide harmonised operationalization. Awareness and adoption across MSPs remains low. In respect to laws and policies, drafting of FSNA is in progress – consultations and legal gaps analysis has been completed – while domestic food fortification guidelines have been developed to operationalise the FF strategy for the country.

SECTION 5 KNOWLEDGE-SHARING AND LEARNING

This section is relevant to the following SUN Movement Strategic Objective:

SO3: Build and strengthen country capacity

Objectives:

- Knowledge and lessons are identified to share with other countries, across regions and globally, representing the country's contribution to enriching the SUN Movement.
- Capacity gaps and areas where additional support is requested from the SUN Global Support System (GSS) are defined, to form the basis of a discussion with GSS.

1 DO YOU HAVE A KEY POSITIVE LESSON, CASE STUDY OR BRIEF STORY TO SHARE WITH OTHERS? IS THERE SOMETHING THAT YOU FEEL PARTICULARLY PROUD OF THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH OTHER SUN COUNTRIES?

- Bringing stakeholders together

- Ensuring stakeholders are aligned around a common national plan
- Holding one another accountable
- Achievements related to strong partner contribution
- Overcoming a challenge in aligning partner contributions
- Making a strong advocacy pitch to a decision-maker in-country, e.g., Prime Minister, Minister of Finance
- Overcoming obstacles in developing and implementing policies
- Successful advocacy related to policy, financing, etc.
- Innovative approaches to financing and fundraising
- What makes partnerships successful
- Empowerment of women and girls
- Reaching marginalised or especially disadvantaged groups
- Linking nutrition and environmental concerns/climate change

Please explain.

Please share relevant materials.

- *Multisectoral nutrition actors are passionate to a unified approach to nutrition coordination and programming. Ensuring transparent, accountable and shared goals in involvement and partnership through joint planning, learning and reflection is critical to sustaining a unified approach to successful nutrition coordination. SUN Somalia has brought together nutrition actors to a national learning event for nutrition with multisectoral actors. The partners have made significant contribution – funding and technical – through joint planning as co-hosts playing role of fundraising, concept development, planning and co-facilitating the event as one team accountable to each other. This is a fundamental lesson to inspiring joint and coordinated efforts that leverages on funds, technical expertise as well as local resources to deliver a shared goal or plan.*

2 PLEASE IDENTIFY CAPACITY GAPS/AREAS WHERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Please describe capacity gap/area 1:

Type of support required:

- National consultant
- External expert/consultant
- UN/NGO support
- SUN Global Support System
- Academic links
- Other

Follow up action: *Propose to hold virtual discussion on specific support and modality of support on above capacity areas*

Please describe capacity gap/area 2:

Type of support required:

- National consultant: Development of multisectoral coordination structure and resource mobilisation strategy for the country
- External expert/consultant : Capacity building and technical assistance in institutionalising budget tracking analysis – both domestic and external as well as development of integrated nutrition information system (M&E)
- UN/NGO support : Fundraising and advocacy support
- SUN Global Support System: Technical assistance across SUN mandates
- Academic links

Other

Follow up action: Hold virtual discussion

3 WHICH OF THESE TOOLS/RESOURCES HAVE YOU USED IN THE PAST YEAR?

a.

- SUN website
 Yes
 No
- SUN monthly newsletter
 Yes
 No
- Tools for improving planning and action on gender equality for nutrition (e.g., the [MQSUN+ gender tool](#) and [NNP gender brief](#) or the [SUN Call to Action: Scaling up gender equality and women's and girls' empowerment to fight malnutrition](#))
 Yes
 No
- [Good National Nutrition Plans Checklist](#)
 Yes
 No
- [Multi-stakeholder platform design toolkit \(NI/SUN\)](#)
 Yes
 No
- [Multi-sectoral planning toolkit \(MQSUN+\)](#)
 Yes
 No

SECTION 5 SUMMARY

With reference to the past year, select the response (1-4) that best fits each of the statements below.

1. Not at all or to a very low extent in general.
2. To some extent / this is partially achieved.
3. In general, this is true, but it needs strengthening.
4. Yes, or generally true and functioning well throughout.

- The country received the requested support through the SUN Movement GSS/supporters.

Select:

1

3

2

4

Please explain: *We received technical assistance support for budget analysis from DI through SUN Global*

- If the country has received technical support through SUN during the past year, to what extent has the support contributed to strengthening nutrition governance within the country/or was appropriate/beneficial?

Select:

- 1
- 2 3
- 4

Please explain: *The budget analysis was technically supported by DI. The support was very beneficial since we don't have technical capacity to do it. We also received policy briefs through their support*

- The country contributed to learning and development within the SUN Movement, e.g., shared a product or lesson learned, contributed to a webinar, etc.

Select:

- 1
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Please explain: *The findings were presented by SUN in the SUN global financing learning forum. They also supported in country dissemination and reflection workshop done virtually. There are plans to disseminate to parliamentarians in 2022 the key findings as a tool for advocacy – with a focus on policy finds.*

SECTION 6 SUN NETWORKS

In this section, Networks or stakeholder groups, in addition to academia, science and research institutes, have a chance to identify where networks, platforms or fora exist, how multi-stakeholder platforms work with these networks/stakeholder groups and to what extent stakeholders have contributed towards the SUN Movement's strategic objectives over the past year.

1 SUN Civil Society Network			
1 Does the country have a network, forum, or platform where civil society coordinates their nutrition actions?	Yes	In progress	No
	<i>Go to 1(a)</i>		<i>Go to Q2</i>
1 (a) What is the name of this network, forum, or platform? SUN CSO Network	Please attach a list of members.		Upload ToR or other supporting documents.
1 (b) What is the name and contact details of the convener?			

- Title (Ms/Mr/Dr, etc.)	Ms.		
- First name	Doris		
- Last name	Mwendwa		
- Organisation	Action Against Hunger (ACF/AAF)		
- Job title/position	Head of Nutrition and Health		
- Email	pdqco@so-actionagainsthunger.org		
1 (c) How many civil society organisation representatives attended the JAA this year? (Attendance list disaggregated by international, national, community-based organisations, youth representation.)			
1 (d)	Yes	In progress/ partially	No
Is there a strategy or shared document that describes how civil society will engage to support nutrition in the country?	Yes		
Are the nutrition actions described in the strategy aligned with the national nutrition plan/country priorities?	Yes		
Do the actions have funding secured for the coming year?		In Progress	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1 (e) What key contributions has the sector/network made towards the national nutrition plan or country nutrition priorities over the past year? Please describe. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costed Nutrition action plan already in place and underutilization • Multi stakeholder review of the action plan • Leading CSOs in advocacy of nutrition priorities in the country 			
1 (f) What key challenges has the network faced over the past year in working together to advance national nutrition priorities? Please describe. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High members turn over/Transition to other organizations. • Low Level of commitments by members. • Dwindling fund/resource commitments hence slow or lack of activity implementation. • Covid-19 challenges to physical engagement forums or meetings • Lack of validated robust strategy and plans to harmonize and align actions to national nutrition priorities. The existing plan is in draft and not validated by all members • Lack of regular coordination meetings – the CSO convener was appointed late last year and are in formative stage of establishing coordination and engagement mechanisms • Weak capacity in pooling resources to drive the network agenda and plans a major barrier – this hampers joint planning and implementation 			
2 If the country has not established a network, forum or platform, does the multi-stakeholder platform work with civil society more generally?	Yes	Partially	No
Please explain.			
2 SUN Donor Network			
	Yes	In progress	No

1 Does the country have a network, forum, or platform where donors coordinate their nutrition actions?	Go to 1(a)		Go to Q2
1 (a) What is the name of this network, forum, or platform? SUN Donor Network	Please attach a list of members.		Upload ToR or other supporting documents.
1 (b) What is the name and contact details of the convener?			
- Title	Dr.		
- First name	Hjordis		
- Last name	D'Agostino Ogendo		
- Organisation	European Union		
- Job title/position	Head of section for resilience, infrastructure and productive sectors; European Union Delegation to the Federal Republic of Somalia		
- Email	hjordan.ogendo@eeas.europa.eu		
1 € How many donor organisation representatives attended the JAA this year?			
1 (d)	Yes	In progress /partially	No
Is there a strategy or shared document that describes how donors will engage to support nutrition in the country?	No		
Are the nutrition actions described in the strategy aligned with the national nutrition plan/country priorities?	N/a		
Do the actions have funding secured for the coming year?			No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1 € What key contributions has the sector/network made towards the national nutrition plan or country nutrition priorities over the past year? Please describe. <i>The donor has funded important activities especially a study on "impact of Covid-19 on Nutrition in Somalia and Somaliland"</i>			
1 (f) What key challenges has the network faced over the past year in working together to advance national nutrition priorities? Please describe. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lack of clear or structured donor engagement or support strategy/plan for the country as well as lack of regular or structured donor engagement in the country - Covid-19 challenges to physical engagement forums or meetings - Weak capacity in pooling resources to drive national funding expectations and priorities – this hampers joint planning and implementation 			
2 If the country has not established a network, forum, or platform, does the multi-stakeholder platform work with donors more generally?	Yes	Partially	No

Please explain.

N/A

3 SUN Business Network

1 Does the country have a network, forum, or platform where business coordinate their nutrition actions?	Yes	In progress	No
	<i>Go to 1(a)</i>		<i>Go to Q2</i>
1 (a) What is the name of this network, forum, or platform? SUN Business Network	Please attach a list of members.		Upload ToR or other supporting documents.
1 (b) What is the name and contact details of the convener?			
- Title	Mr.		
- First name	Muhumed		
- Last name			
- Organisation			
- Job title/position			
- Email	amuhumad@gmail.com		
1 (c) How many business representatives attended the JAA this year?			
1 (d)	Yes	In progress /partially	No
Is there a strategy or shared document that describes how business will engage to support nutrition in the country?	Please upload		No
Are the nutrition actions described in the strategy aligned with the national nutrition plan/country priorities?			N/A
Do the actions have funding secured for the coming year?			N/A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1 (e) What key contributions has the sector/network made towards the national nutrition plan or country nutrition priorities over the past year? Please describe. Provides strategic input as active participants into SUN activities and plans through consultative forums <i>- Participated in SUN Movement consultation and engagement activities such as development of legislations, policies, guidelines as well as participation in other SUN coordination activities</i>			
1 (f) What key challenges has the network faced over the past year in working together to advance national nutrition priorities? Please describe. <i>- Lack of clear or structured donor engagement or support strategy/plan for the country as well as lack of regular or structured donor engagement in the country</i>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Covid-19 challenges to physical engagement forums or meetings - Weak capacity in pooling resources or funds to drive national funding expectations and priorities – this hampers joint planning and implementation. The private sector network contribution to nutrition agenda is minimal 			
2 If the country has not established a network, forum, or platform, does the multi-stakeholder platform work with the business sector more generally?	Yes	Partially	No
Please explain.			
4 UN Nutrition Network			
1 Does the country have a network, forum, or platform where UN agencies coordinate their nutrition actions?	Yes <i>Go to 1(a)</i>	In progress	No <i>Go to Q2</i>
1 (a) What is the name of this network, forum, or platform? UN SUN Network	Please attach a list of members.		Upload ToR or other supporting documents.
1 (b) What is the name and contact details of the convener?			
- Title	Dr.		
- First name	Biram		
- Last name	Ndiaye		
- Organisation	UNICEF		
- Job title/position	Chief Nutrition, UNICEF Somalia		
- Email	bindiaye@unicef.org		
1 (c) How many UN agency representatives attended the JAA this year?			
1 (d)	Yes	In progress / partially	No
Is there a strategy or shared document that describes how the UN agencies will engage to support nutrition in the country?	Yes		
Are the nutrition actions described in the strategy aligned with the national nutrition plan/country priorities?	Yes		
Do the actions have funding secured for the coming year?	Yes		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<p>1 (e) What key contributions has the sector/network made towards the national nutrition plan or country nutrition priorities over the past year? Please describe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Significant contribution including funding of our 2021 joint annual workplan. UNICEF also holds regular meeting with SUN, provides technical assistance and attends our coordination and capacity building activities</i> 			
<p>1 (f) What key challenges has the network faced over the past year in working together to advance national nutrition priorities? Please describe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Limitation of their budget allocation which requires innovative approaches to domestic and other external fundraising for priority nutrition agenda</i> 			
2 If the country has not established a network, forum or platform, does the multi-stakeholder platform work with UN agencies more generally?	Yes	Partially	No
<p>Please explain.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Lack of clear or structured donor engagement or support strategy/plan for the country as well as lack of regular or structured member engagement in the country</i> - <i>Covid-19 challenges to physical engagement forums or meetings</i> - <i>Weak capacity in pooling resources or funds to drive their mandates or roles for nutrition. There are minimal scientific and expertise contribution to SUN roles hence require strengthening including pooling some funding for their engagements</i> 			
<h2>5 SUN Academia Network</h2>			
1 Does the country have a network, forum, or platform where academia coordinates their nutrition actions?	Yes	In progress	No
	Go to 1(a)		Go to Q2
1 (a) What is the name of this network, forum, or platform?	Please attach a list of members.		Upload ToR or other supporting documents.
1 (b) What is the name and contact details of the convener?			
- Title	Institution		
- First name	Somalia National University (SNU)		
- Last name			
- Organisation	Somalia National University (SNU)		
- Job title/position	Head of Nutrition Faculty		
- Email	jus@snu.edu.so		
1 (c) How many academia representatives attended the JAA this year?			
1 (d)	Yes	In progress/partially	No

Is there a strategy or shared document that describes how academia will engage to support nutrition in the country?	Please upload		No
Are the nutrition actions described in the strategy aligned with the national nutrition plan/country priorities?			No
Do the actions have funding secured for the coming year?			No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>1 (e) What key contributions has the sector/network made towards the national nutrition plan or country nutrition priorities over the past year. Please describe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Participated in SUN Movement consultation and engagement activities such as development of legislations, policies, guidelines as well as participation in other SUN coordination activities. They also contribute scientific expertise into SUN research and evidence engagements/project which focus on multisectoral functionality</i> 			
<p>1 (f) What key challenges has the network faced over the past year in working together to advance national nutrition priorities? Please describe.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Lack of pooled resources or funds to support their resources. SUN fiscal base is limited</i> - <i>Lack of strong structured engagement, awareness creation and capacity building for their roles</i> 			
2 If the country has not established a network, forum, or platform, does the multi-stakeholder platform work with academia more generally?	Yes	Partially	No
Please explain.			