**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2nd Quarter SCFN held on the 12th August, 2021. The meeting was organized by Planning and Budget Commission to keep track of the progress made in improving food and nutrition activities with emphasis on women and children in the State. The Committee comprises of key players from relevant MDAs and Development Partners working to address malnutrition in the State. The objective of the meeting is to generate update from MDAs nutrition program implementation, identify challenges and opportunities and proffering solutions and way forward. Update on action Points from last SCFN meeting was deliberated upon. Goodwill message was given by representatives from Save the Children, Alive and Thrive, CS – SUNN and KADENAP

**Presentations**

All MDAs presented the update of their activities on Nutrition Response in Kaduna for the 2nd quarter Also, there was a presentation of SCFN Appraisal Tool which was designed to help assess the extent to which the implementations of nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive interventions or strategies are in line with National Multisectoral Plan of Action for Nutrition (NMSPAN). The SCFN through PBC is responsible for the coordination of the tool which will be filled and submitted by the MDAs on a quarterly basis. Though these tools have been presented at all SCFN meeting, it is necessary to continually build members capacity to effectively utilize the tool which has been embraced by all. Questions, comments and observations were raised where necessary.

At the end of the meeting members unanimously agreed on the following next steps;

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**REPORT FOR A ONE DAY QUATERLY COORDINATION MEETING OF STATE COMMITTEE ON FOOD AND NUTRITION WHICH HELD ON THE 12TH OF AUGUST, 2021 AT THE PLANNING AND BUDGET COMMISSION, KADUNA**

**OPENING**

The meeting which was anchored by the Deputy Director, Development Aid Coordination commenced at 10:45am where she urged participants to pray according to their individual faith. This was followed by self – introduction by participants.

**WELCOME REMARKS**

The Permanent Secretary, Planning and Budget Commission, welcomed everyone and expressed her joy in being part of this meeting. The Permanent Secretary is happy to be sharing some of the nutrition improved practices seen from the various reports shared. The Planning and Budget Commission is in the process of preparing the 2022 State Budget and that nutrition budget are now domiciled in MDAS. She urged MDAs to take advantage of this by articulating their activities, cost them well and ensure that provision is made for them in the budget lines in respective MDAs so as not to have an excuse to say that there is no funding for nutrition activities. And whatever activities you are planning to do next year, make sure that they are listed out. Nutrition is multisectoral and without nutrition there will be no development. There’s need for MDAs to be more articulate, capture all activities, there is no need to be running over an activity year in year out because we have different approaches, different intervention, there are new challenges to new interventions. Take note of what you have done wrong in the past months while preparing for next year’s activities. And for the rest of the year, let us try to see how we are going to improve over what we have done so far. If there are challenges let us find out where others have made successes so that we can learn from them so as to improve on the nutrition indices that are already very poor in the state level we are doing well but we need to improve. And where we have indices that are drawing us down and challenges hindering us let us try to find ways to improve them. Wished everyone a fruitful deliberation.

**OBJECTIVES OF THE MEETING**

* To ensure sustainable food and nutrition program coordination in the state in order to set a clear goal In enhancing multi sectoral food and nutrition programming
* To generate update on MDAs nutrition program implementation
* To identify ways of ensuring continuity of nutrition programming across sector so as to achieve maximum positive impact on women and children
* To identify challenges and opportunities of improving food and nutrition activities in the state
* To come up with achievable resolutions and next steps

**UPDATE ON THE ACTION POINTS OF THE LAST MEETING**

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| S/N | Activity | Person Responsible | Timeline | REMARKS |
| 1 | Develop Template for reporting during SCFN meeting | Nutrition Desk officer (PBC) |  5 April 2021 | Template developed |
| 2 | P&BC to send Reminder to MDAs to submit SCFN Appraisal tool before the next SCFN meeting  | SPO PBC | 25 March 2021 | Reminder sent to all MDAs but only a few responded |
| 3 | MDAs to complete the 1st quarter SCFN Appraisal Tool both hard and soft copies and send to P&BC by 1st April 2021 | MDAs Nutrition Desk Officers  | 1st April 2021 |  |
| 4 | MDAs Nutrition Desk Officers to develop and Share report of SCFN meeting as well as their Quarterly Work Plan with Commissioners/Chief Executive/Perm Secs/Directors of their respective MDAs.Acknowledged and Soft copies to be shared with PBC | MDAs Desk Officers | 25th March 2021 |  |
| 5 | Media Representative to send in proposal on nutrition activities to KADENAP Office and also identify free activities on Nutrition | Nutrition desk Officer (KSMC) | 1st April 2021 | Proposal sent to KADENAP Office by the media representative |
| 6 | All Desk officers to send report of current quarter activities to PBC | Desk officers | 25th March 2021 |  |

**GOODWILL MESSAGES**

**Save the Children**

Welcomed everybody and said that Save the Children is committed to improving the nutrition indices in Kaduna State. Save the children is doing all that they can to provide support and build capacity

**Alive and Thrive**

The State Team Lead Alive and Thrive, stated that the SCFN meeting would not be complete without Alive and Thrive because that is part of their engine roll, and of course they are trying to see how they will support the state and ensure that malnutrition is completely eradicated in Kaduna State, and this is the responsibility of every stakeholder. She urged everyone to use best practices and review what has been done and how it can be improved. Wished everyone a fruitful deliberation

**CS – SUNN**

For Civil Society Scaling up Nutrition, they are looking forward to a country where everyone is food and nutrition secure, and also at Kaduna State level they are looking forward that in the nearest future that every mother and child are going to be food and nutrition secure. Partners and the State Government cannot do it alone that is why everybody is relevant, all MDAs play significant rolls eradicating malnutrition in the State. CSSUNN is committed to supporting the state in ensuring that every individual, every mother and child in the state is food and nutrition secured.

**KADENAP**

The Project Manager KADENAP, welcomed the Permanent Secretary who is nutrition mother to us all. Looking forward to a very dynamic nutrition family with the presence of the Permanent Secretary amongst us. He was also appealing to the Permanent Secretary to take the leadership of nutrition like she used to.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Brief Update on Nutrition Intervention in Kaduna State April – June, 2021

The assistant State Nutrition Officer, Mr Adams George gave a presentation of some nutrition activities and indices in the State where he outlined the Background, Methodology, State Nutrition indicators coverage, Community Management of Acute Malnutrition, Community Infant and Young Child Feeding, Infant And Young Child Nutrition, Deworming and Vitamin A supplementation, Deworming and Vitamin A supplementation, Maternal Nutrition, Challenges as well as recommendations (presentation attached)

**Comments**

* Alive and Thrive recommended that next time if there is going to be a presentation of this nature, after the graphs, presentation should be in slides with bullet points summarizing the nutrition situation in the state within a set period
* Sani Action suggested that figures ought to be in percentage because the language of coverage is very important, and in subsequent presentations achievements should be compared with targets, maybe by creating a table showing how the indicators indicate the target to be achieved, the actual achievements, the gaps identified and steps to take. This will give a clearer picture
* Observed that at the CMAM centre, the presentation showed a high level of defaulters, wants to know if anything could be done to tackle this problem
* Assessment of pregnant women during ANC should go beyond the hemoglobin test, excess iron is harmful to pregnant women and therefore it should be monitored

**KADENAP**

The Project manager KADENAP gave a presentation of KADENAP activities conducted in the 2nd quarter. He gave a brief background of why KADENAP was created which was as a result of as a kind of assessment as a result of NDHS 2013 to fast track nutrition activities in the State. He outlined the activities conducted in quarter two 2021, CMAM indicators, C-IYCF Indicators and challenges encountered (presentation attached).

**COMMENTS**

* There is need to be specific with the kind of support they are providing to MDAs
* KADENAP had cash backing that is yet to be accessed by MDAs and that the government might decide to mop up the funds which would lead to going through the process of getting cash backing all over again. All funds need to be completely disbursed to avoid having the funds moved to TSA and disbursed to other MDAs that are in need
* KADENAP should be more proactive, the moment they receive alert they know what the money is meant for, they need to draw the attention of that MDA as quickly as possible and point out MDAs that don’t know how to utilize their funds
* NOA was advised to catch up as they were not part of the committee during the preparation of the 2021 AOP

**BRIEF UPDATE ON MDAs NUTRITION ACTIVITIES FROM JANUARY TO JUNE**

The nutrition activities of MDAs was presented by their respective nutrition desk officers, where the presented their MDAs mandate, the priority area they are responding to from the KDMSPAN, their activities for this quarter and their status of implementation, challenges encountered and opportunities and way forward as well as their planned activities for the next quarter, lessons learnt and success stories.

**Presentations**

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|  **S/N** |  **MDA** |  **Activities** |  **Challenge(s)** |  **Activities for Next Quarter**  |
|  1 |  Ministry of Education | * Conduct a 2-days training for Teachers on establishing of School Gardens (Not Done)
* Establishment/activation of School gardens (Procure farming tools and seedlings) (Not Done)
 | * Non cash backing of released fund
 | * Conduct Training of Trainers on Early Child Care Development at State Level
* Build capacity on Food handling and Hygiene practices for Mother and Care-givers in Early Child Care Development Centres (ECCD)
* Review and Adapt minimum standards (Nutrition and Health) for Early Childcare Development centres (ECCD) using Revised checklist.
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|  2 |  Ministry of Health | * Conduct 4 days meeting with 25 stakeholders to adapt the national policy on BFI in the state (Not Done)
* Establish 30 Nutrition corners at SHCs in the state (Not Done)
* Assess BFI status across public PHC and secondary health facilities in the state (Not Done)
* Revitalization of baby friendly hospital initiative in all SHC facilities (Not Done)
* Provide incentives to pregnant women, mothers and other caregivers in 30 SHFs to motivate utilization of health activities (Not Done)
 | * No funding support from any source
 | * Conduct 4 days meeting with 28 stakeholders to adapt the national strategy for the implementation of the national regulations on the marketing of infant and young children, food and other designated products / international code of marketing of breast milk substitutes
* Conduct activities to support breastfeeding from 0 month to 12months for HIV exposed infants
* Revitalization of baby friendly hospital initiative in all SHC facilities
* Conduct behavioral change communication activities on continuous breastfeeding and appropriate complementary feeding practices from 6 months.
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|  3 |  RUWASSA | * Analysis of 80 triggered site in rural areas and small-towns across the state
* Geophysics assessment for 80 sites
* Drill and Construct 80 number of Handpump boreholes in rural areas and small-towns.
* Procure and install GP tank of 150,000lts in public schools, PHCs, motor parks, markets and community.
* Rehabilitation of 50 Pump Boreholes across the State. (Not Done)
* Construct 50 Blocks of Gender sensitive Sanitation Facilities in Institution/Public Place
* Conduct supervision for drilling/construction of 80 HPBH, 25 number of SMBH and 50 Blocks of Gender sensitive VIP latrines and hygiene facilities in Public schools, motor parks, markets and procurement of procurement of 300,000ltrs of GP tanks.
* Conduct campaign to promote effective hand washing in 23 LGAs
* Conduct a Workshop for Clean Nigeria "Use the Toilet" Campaign Desk officers (CNC) for wide ODF plan in 23LGAs (Not Done)
* Conduct workshop for at least 414 CLTS Facilitators in the 23 LGAs (Not Done)
* Institutionalization of the Village Lead Operation and Maintenance (VLOM) Concept in 50 Communities for Sustainability of WASH Facilities
 | * Security threats in some part of the state and raining season made one site Hard to rich
* Fund not allocated in 2021 Budget
* Delay in payment of some of Supervisors due to delay in funds releases.
* Delay in cash-backing of approved nutrition/allocated funds
 | * Analysis of 40 triggered site in rural areas and small-towns across the state
* Geophysics assessment for 40 sites
* Drill and Construct 40 number of Handpump boreholes in rural areas and small-towns.
* Procure and install GP tank of 75,000lts in public schools, PHCs, motor parks, markets and community.
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|  4  |  SEMA | * Nutrition SEMA ERP
* Training Emergency Managers (Not Done)
* Training MIYCN, PLWA, PWD, IDP) (Not Done)
 | * Delay in accessing funds
 | * Training PLWA, PWO, IDPS
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|  5  |  SPHCB | * Provide incentives to pregnant women, mothers and other caregivers to motivate utilization of health facilities
* Sustain iron folic acid supplementation for pregnant women during MNCH Week
* Sustain on-going vitamin A supplementation during MNCH for under 5 children
* Sustain on-going activities to promote women’s nutritional status through dietary counselling during adolescence, pregnancy and lactation. (Ongoing)
* Promote early initiation of breast feeding within one hour of delivery (Ongoing)
 | * Delay in cash backing of nutrition funds
* Merging of activities during review of A.O.P
* Under costing of activities
* Inflation due to the effect of covid-19 pandemic
 | * One day annual orientation meeting with 207 traditional, religious and quarterly review meeting with 230 traditional, religious and opinion leaders by 9 facilitators on nutritional care of the vulnerable group.
* Conduct quarterly supervision to health facilities in the 23 LGAby 3 supervisors to track progress and emerging challenges on growth monitoring.
* RollL-out CIYCF to additional 5 LGAs by condcuting training of 74 (37 per LGA) Health Care Providers for 6 days, and 3 days training for 250 CVs and procure seating furniture
* Conduct training a 3 days refresher training for 26 HCWs by 3 facilitators on promotion of use of Micronutrient Powders, IYCF and CMAM
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|  6 |  PBC | * Conduct advocacy visit to key implementing MDAs for funding and implementation of KDMSPAN
* Development of check list for capacity gap analysis
* Printing and Dissemination of Kaduna State Multi-sectoral Nutrition Strategic Plan 2019- 2023. (Ongoing)
* Quarterly Review meeting of the State Committee on Food and Nutrition (SCFN) with view of updating the status of Nutrition program in the State (Ongoing)
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* Monitoring/ supervision visit to the LGA CFN during their quarterly meeting to provide oversight to activity implementation/ coordination meeting (Not Done)
* Nutrition Development Partners Quarterly Coordination meeting
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* Nutrition Partners Coordination Meeting
* Monitoring/ supervision of food and nutrition activities across Line MDAs
* Advocacy Visit to Network Providers to disseminate nutrition information to the general public
* Advocacy visit to Nutrition Stakeholders
* Orientation of KDMSPAN, Proposal and Report Writing for 23 LGA Nutrition Focal Persons
* Orientation of KDMSPAN, Proposal and Report Writing for MDA Nutrition Desk Officers
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**COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, OBSERVATIONS**

* Of all the activities that ministry of health has set out to do for the quarter none was achieved which was really worrisome
* Ministry of health urged to align their activities with KDMSPAN
* The nutrition desk officer from Ministry of Health was asked to give feedback to the ministry that SCFN was not happy with their report
* MDAs should collaborate with National Orientation Agency and see how they can boost their activities
* MDAs were urged to write all abbreviations in full as not everyone is familiar with the abbreviations

**Presentation of SCFN Appraisal Tool**

Jamilu Ladan guided participants on how to fill the Appraisal tool. He informed them the tool is used to gather data for analyzing the achievements of nutrition activities within the quarter. The tool was designed to receive data on four thematic areas, namely Committee effectiveness, Coverage, Accountability of Implementation and Budget Allocation.

**NEXT STEPS**

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CLOSING

The meeting came to a close at 4:00pm with the Director DAC thanking everyone for their time and inputs and wished everyone journey mercies back to their various destinations. The meeting ended with individual prayers by participants