

**Minutes**  
**Nutrition Sector Meeting (National level)**  
 13 February 2015  
 Meeting room 3, UNICEF  
 14:00-16:00 hr.

**Participating agencies:** ACF, Plan, SCUK and UNICEF

**Agenda**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Gender presentation by Maria Caterina Ciampi, Senior Inter-Agency Gender Advisor</li> <li>2. Presentation of findings from ProPAN survey in Kachin (Plan)</li> <li>3. Follow up on action points of last meeting</li> <li>4. Sector updates from Rakhine</li> <li>5. Sector updates from Kachin</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Presentation of Rakhine State nutrition information (December) and follow up on recommendations</li> <li>7. Funding updates</li> <li>8. Any other business</li> </ol> |
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Agenda Item	Discussion Points	Action Point
Gender presentation by Maria Caterina Ciampi, Senior Inter-Agency Gender Advisor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gender Equality Programming framework is a tool to use with/by sectoral project staff to review projects or programmes with a gender equality lens</li> <li>• Key priorities for Myanmar in 2015               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Identify and build capacity of national GEP focal points within each cluster/sector</li> <li>2. Agree on 3-5 minimum commitments on GEP from at least 2 clusters/sectors (and monitor WASH and CCCM)</li> <li>3. Advocate for establishment of a mechanism to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse across all agencies/organizations</li> <li>4. Work with Funding Unit and donors to ensure GEP is considered in funding decisions</li> </ol> </li> <li>• Development of Nutrition Minimum Commitments on GEP               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Collective assessment and analysis of gaps in gender equality in nutrition programmes in Myanmar</li> <li>2. Agreement among nutrition actors on realistic minimum commitments on GEP for which they will be held accountable</li> <li>3. Roll-out of minimum commitments in programmes</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	

	<p>AVAILABLE Tools AND RESOURCES ON THE GENDER MARKER</p> <p><a href="http://www.themimu.info/sector/gender">http://www.themimu.info/sector/gender</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.humanitarianresponse.info/coordination/gencap/">http://www.humanitarianresponse.info/coordination/gencap/</a></p>	
<p>Presentation of findings from ProPAN survey in Kachin (Plan)</p>	<p><b>Plan Propan Assessment finding.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Wasting – 3.2%</li> <li>● Stunting – 32.2%</li> <li>● Underweight – 10%</li> <li>● Initiation of breastfeeding in 1 hr – 72%</li> <li>● Exclusive breastfeeding – 54%</li> <li>● Continued breastfeeding until 2 yrs – 21%</li> <li>● Following feeding recommendation during illness – 3%</li> <li>● Received no IYCF message – 59%</li> <li>● Responded reported hearing IYCF messages in past 3 months – 36%</li> </ul> <p><b>Recommendations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increasing the demand, access and quality to MNCH service delivery</li> <li>● Individual counsel pregnant women and caregivers</li> <li>● IYCF messages delivered through verbal or visual communications</li> <li>● IYCF messaging to include information on the dangers of artificial feeding</li> <li>● Establish community gardens</li> <li>● Provide recipe recommendations to caregiver based on market availability and price of food products</li> <li>● Support mother/primary caregivers participating in regular communal baby/toddler feeding groups</li> <li>● Integrate infant/child WSAH promotion messages</li> </ul>	
<p>Action points of last meeting</p>	<p><b>Assessment on income generation opportunity for Kachin and Northern Shan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Not circulate yet</li> </ul> <p><b>Recording of PLW received for IYCF counseling in NIS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Only new PLW who received counseling will be recorded.</li> </ul>	<p>Save to circulate with all partners</p>

	<p><b>Presentation of findings from ProPAN survey</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Done</li> </ul> <p><b>Funding updates (funding situation and the gaps) to share with sector coordinator</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not done yet</li> </ul>	
Sector update from Rakhine and Kachin	<p>ACF:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular activities as previous months. However, MAM children under 5 are not admitted since 31 Dec.</li> <li>• ACF has enough RUTF until June 15<sup>th</sup> for NRS. No visibility after that.</li> <li>• ACF suggests to UNICEF and WHO to meet in order to liaise their presence in NRS with MoH in order to have only one meeting (every month or every two months – to be determined) in order to allow better coordination and a more comprehensive approach.</li> <li>• Improvement of OTP outcome in December could be attributed to the communities' involvement in nutrition activities as well as home visits and follow up by nutrition and mental health care practices teams and the fact that we are in winter season.</li> </ul> <p>Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan to conduct large scale ProPAN survey in Kachin State based on current ProPAN survey.</li> <li>• Plan will follow up with HPA about overlapping of activities in Dum Bund camp</li> </ul> <p>SCUK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rakhine team conducted SQUEAC and SMART survey in February and results will come out in March.</li> <li>• Plan to conduct IYCF survey in Kachin and will circulate methodology and questionnaires for the inputs from partners.</li> </ul> <p>UNICEF</p>	Sector coordinator to follow up with Rakhine

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultancy work for IMAM guidelines still ongoing and will be completed within coming 2 months.</li> <li>• 5 days IYCF ToT training on IYCF to State and Regional state nutrition team was finished and the package will be adjusted and finalized according to the findings in the training.</li> </ul>	
Funding updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on the partner's input, the overall nutrition requirement for the 2015 HRP is 7.6 million USD. Partners have to look for the own funding situation and discuss for the gaps.</li> <li>• UNICEF is hoping to receive funding from Japan.</li> </ul>	Give update to sector coordinator
AoB	MoH plans to make coordination meetings in Maungdaw and it should be a combined meeting of health and nutrition with UN (UNICEF WHO) and NGOs.	

**Next sector meeting (tentatively): 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015, 14:00 at UNICEF, Yangon Office**