

Nutrition Sub-Sector Meeting, Sittwe, Rakhine

25 January 2020, 1:00-3:00, Rakhine State Health Department

Meeting Minutes

Chair: Dr. Sai Win Zaw Hlaing, State Health Director

Deputy Chair: Dr. Khaing Hnin Wai, Assistant Director (State Nutrition Team)

Agenda

- 1. Opening remarks by Dr. Sai Win Zaw Hlaing, State Health Director
- 2. Updates by Dr. Khine Hnin Wai, Assistant Director (State Nutrition Team)
- 3. Reviewing of action points from previous December meeting
- 4. Introduction of the participants and updates shared by partners
- 5. Any Other Business (AOB)
 - a. Support of IPs in launching of State MS-NPAN
 - b. Presentation of 2019 NIS
 - c. Supporting of refreshment for nutrition sub-sector in FY 2020
- 6. Closing remarks by State Health Director
- 7. Next Nutrition Sub-Sector Meeting Schedule (Tentative)

1. Opening remarks and updates from Dr. Sai Win Zaw Hlaing (State Health Director)

- Welcomed to the attendees
- On 17 January, the State-level MS-NPAN advocacy meeting took place and the state Social Minister and State Agricultural Minister attended and got aware of the importance it.
- SHD mentioned that the MS-NPAN workshop will be launching in the first week of April with the engagement of departmental delegates and district representative TMOs. The supports will be needed in this event. E.g human resource, financial --etc
- Tentatively, a preliminary meeting with IPs and respective government departments might be in the 23-27 week of March.
- After a series of workshop and final consultation in July, the drafted plan might come out in August thus required supports for those events need to be discussed with SNT and IPs.
- Requested to invite IPs who are working and supporting of agricultural activities to provide necessary collaboration in this plan.
- Prioritization of township profiles will be completed in February and those data will be analyzed.
 Based on the data, the township-wise plan with activities should be aligned/ adjusted with the IPs' work plan
- Highlighted to strengthen the system with forward-thinking e.g the OPT operations were run by the IP's staff and BHS jointly at a health facility. Based on the achievements and lesson learned, a tailored model will be replicated at other areas
- Registration of volunteers and provision of refresher training need to be prioritized

2. Updates from SNT, Dr. Khine Hnin Wai (Assistant Director)



- Vit A capsules, Albendazole, Mebendazole, and Iron supplement tablets had been distributed across 17 townships
- cIYCF training for BHS in 16 townships had been completed in 2019 and the remaining Ann township will be conducted after discussion with TMO

3. Reviewing of the action points from previous meeting

Action points	Focal point/agency	Status
List of Volunteers to share by IPs	UNICEF/ SNT	Ongoing

4. Introduction of the participants and updates, and operational concerns shared by the partners

World Food Program- WFP

- Routine activities were going well; BSFP was benefitted for 22,000 under 5 children and 4,800 PLW on average from targeted 5 towns
- ➤ In 2019, the identified MAM cases at Sittwe, Pauktaw, Kyauktaw, and Mrauk U, Minbya were 5.600- U 5 children and 193- PLW
- Since March 2019, the blanket distribution has been reached about 1500- U 5 children and 380-PLW who have affected the conflicts. Monthly distribution and data vary on accessibility
- Extension of 3 months for MAM program with MHAA is confirmed and further continuation will be decided by the WFP's headquarters

Humanity and Inclusion- HI

- > Started the activities in Dec
- ➤ Provided necessary supports to 10 children with developmental delays which was referred from ACF's MHCP program. They were admitted as under 5 SAM children at ACF's OTP center.
- A one-day Disability Inclusion- DI training was provided to the staff of ACF
- > DI awareness session has been introduced at Ohn Taw Gyi and Thet Kal Pyin camps that activity will be continued in upcoming months
- Advocacy with village actors will be started in 15 Rakhine villages at Sittwe
- There will be a consultative workshop with Sittwe's BHS

United Nations Children Fund- UNICEF

- Partnering with MHAA, ACF, and SC for health and nutrition interventions.
- Multi-Year Work Plan meeting with MoHS and UNICEF will take place on 29 Feb at Naypyitaw

Action contre La Faim- ACF

➤ Routine activities (cooking demonstration, MtMSG) went well at 9 townships where MOU is still active

International Organization for Migration-IOM



- ➤ Implementation of the nutrition activities at Buthidaung, Maungdaw and Pauktaw townships, in coordination with BHS, was going well as usual
- Through the BHS, IOM is preparing to support TA costs of the identified MAM children at Buthidaung. These children were detected by the MHAA's village volunteers
- A total of 6 MAM children, who were screened and referred by SC, had been supported the TA costs through BHS
- 2 MtMSG groups were formed at Kyat Thayay and Kan Chaung in close coordination with SC to avoid overlapping of village and activities
- ➤ Planning to form 3 MtMSG in Maungdaw with the guidance of TMO
- ➤ Budget allocation and targets for school nutrition had been included in the plan
- ➤ In 2020, recruited a staff, Field Project Coordinator (Nutrition) to support more and accelerate the nutrition activities in Buthidaung and Maungdaw townships

Save the Children-SC

➤ Routine activities; (Antenatal support services, IYCF awareness, MtMSG, Blended Supplementary Food Program) were on-going at Sittwe and Pauktaw

Relief International- RI

➤ In collaboration with BHS in Dec 2019 & Jan 2020, school health activities in Kyauk Taw, GMP activity at Mrauk U and MtMSH, cooking and nutrition awareness sessions in Myebon were supported with support of A2H fund.

Myanmar Health Assistant Association- MHAA

- ➤ Routine in coordination of Mrauk U- THD, MUAC screening of under 5 children at Tin Nyo camp was undertaken. Identified 5 MAM cases will be treated with the support of Mrauk U-THD.
- ➤ WFP funded MAM program was extended an additional 3 months till March 2020
- ➤ Routine coverage and activities were running well

Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit- GIZ

- GIZ had been partnering with MHAA for delivering of the nutrition- focused/ specific activities at Kyauktaw and Pauktaw
- ➤ Completed construction of school latrines, installation of handwashing points and distributed of drinking water filter in 5 schools of Pauktaw township and, finished 3rd round of WASH education sessions to students in those schools and 4th round will be continued in Feb 2020
- Ground preparation and foundation had been completed at the new construction of SRHCs at Hpa Ya Chaung and Kyein Khway Maw at Pauktaw township

5. Any Other Business- AOB

Support of IPs in launching of state MS-NPAN

- ♣ There will be a separate meeting to discuss for frequency of workshop/meeting and its costs
- ♣ GIZ proposed ACF to share the budget template for estimating of the costs
- ♣ The big events will take place tentatively in first week of April, July and August
- ♣ The sample budget template for costs estimation will be shared to IPs. Sample template will be requested to ACF.
- ♣ SNT will confirm with IPs for finalizing of organizational contribution for respective big events



Supporting of refreshment for nutrition sub-sector meeting in FY 2020

Presentation of 2019 NIS

♣ SHD suggested that it would be better to get more informative and representative NIS

Coverage of blanket feeding PLW and under 5 at new displace sites by the WFP

- ♣ WFP supported based on the area division because ICRC is also doing distribution
- Since March, WFP covers Myebon, Minbya, Mrauk, Kyauktaw, Sittwe if CC approves TA to specific camp
- ₩FP will confirm to SNT whether they cover Tin Nyo camp at Mrauk U or not
- ♣ SHD told WFP to keep remind the updates of continuation of the MAM program with MHAA

6. Closing remarks by SHD and next Nutrition Sub-Sector meeting schedule (tentative)

- > SHD thanked IPs for happening this meeting and active participation
- > SHD highlighted that ACF to share the budget templet promptly with SNT support as necessary
- There will a 2-day La Ka Sa meeting and IPs will be invited to receive inputs. Anemia prevention will be prioritized and discussed in that meeting.
- ➤ Meeting with SNT and IPs to know the budget availability and resource allocation for MS-NPAN related workshops and meetings
- ➤ Encouraged IPs to support the SNT regarding IYCF related survey in Sittwe

The next nutrition sub-sector meeting in December will be tentatively scheduled *on 24 or 25 February 2020*. Exact date will be confirmed by the SHD.

Action Points

Action points	Focal point/agency	Timeline
Completion of the curriculum and PPTs for the nutrition volunteers	ACF	First week of Feb *shared on 10 Feb to SHD for review
Sharing of budget template for estimating of workshops and meeting	ACF	End of January *shared on 29 Jan to IPs
Meeting with SNT & IPs for contribution of state- level MS-NPAN related workshops and meetings	SNT & UNICEF	End of Feb

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