Accelerating Implementation of the National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan

Collaboration Model using Smart Simplicity Methodology

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Introduction

- Malnutrition is **still very high at National level** with **great Regional disparities**
- The high levels of malnutrition **persists even in areas rich** in food production
- Both urban and rural areas are **susceptible to high** levels of **undernutrition** and growing levels of **overnutrition**.
- Therefore, it is inevitable that:
  - ✓ A holistic approach to respond and address all forms of malnutrition addressing the root causes
  - ✓ A need of inclusion of (1)multiple responses, (2)actors, (3) disciplines and (4) All levels

Introduction to Smart Simplicity

- Based on gaps, challenges and success factors identified, **Collaboration Model** through **Smart Simplicity** was adopted.
- With a view to:
  - ✓ **Strengthening enabling environment for nutrition at all levels** with emphasis to **RS and LGA levels.**
  - ✓ **Accelerating implementation of the National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan.**
  - ✓ Facilitate collaboration and communication
  - ✓ Advocate for effective Management of data systems

❑ ***Smart Simplicity currently Implemented in Singida (Ikungi DC and Singida DC), Dodoma (Chamwino DC and Bahi DC) and Tanga (Pangani DC)***

Operationalization of Smart Simplicity

Three elements are proposed to **identify**, **respond** and **leverage responses**

Collaboration Model

Nationwide Rollout

Goal:
Create culture of sharing and joint accountability and central initiatives functioning at regional and district level.

Using Multisectoral Nutr. Steer. Committees as a platform

Data

Anthro. Equipment

Goal:
Measure district levels of malnutrition (for improving service delivery and impact)

Roll-out of tools and training to all facilities

Nutr. Data System

Goal:
Accelerate availability of single set of key nutrition indicators

Data systems in place
- Nutrition scorecard
- Nutrition Cockpit and Library

Catalyst Team

Dedicated Team

Goal:
Dedicated team to create a dynamic, optimistic, and cohesive efforts that elevates the pace of the implementation of National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan

Collaboration Model

- It is a **concept** which **embraces the use** of existing system effectively by **bringing nutrition and related sectors** in one platform with a **common vision** of reduction of malnutrition
- **Goal: Create culture of sharing and joint accountability and joint initiatives at council level. Key Features:**
  - ✓ *Upholding Teamwork spirit;*
  - ✓ *Common understanding of scale, magnitude and effects of malnutrition;*
  - ✓ *Common understanding on the need to realize nutrition targets as narrated in the NMNAP;*
  - ✓ *Defined and Clear roles and responsibilities;*
  - ✓ *Effective use of evidence based information for decision making i.e. Nutrition Scorecard*
  - ✓ ***Effectiveness of Steering Committee (RSs and LGAs)***

Collaboration Model

Principles of Collaboration

Transparency	Feedback	Joint accountability
Trust	Action-oriented	Inclusivity

Collaboration at Council level

Key Actors

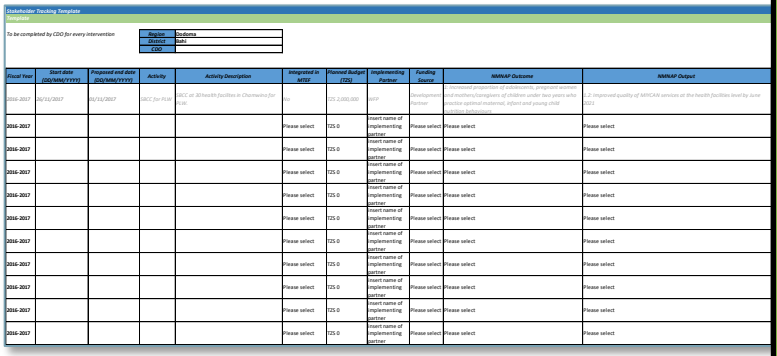
- Communities
- DNuO / RNuO
- DED / RAS
- SteerCo members
- DPs, CSOs
- Public services
- Other leaders (religious, private sector etc)

Availability of Nutrition Data

- This component builds up on the **existing systems** to ensure that there is **enough data and real time evidences** for improved **decision making**

Anthropometric Tools and Training

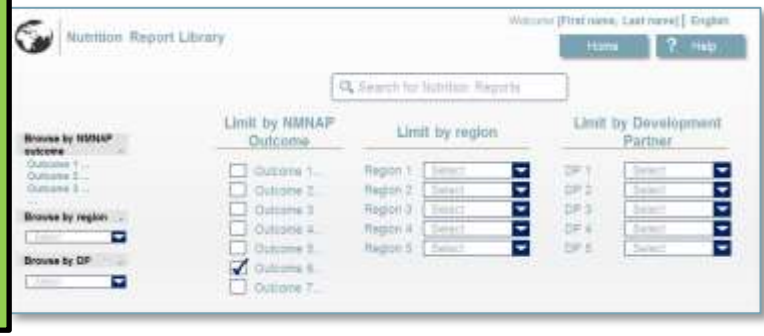
Stakeholder Tracking Tool



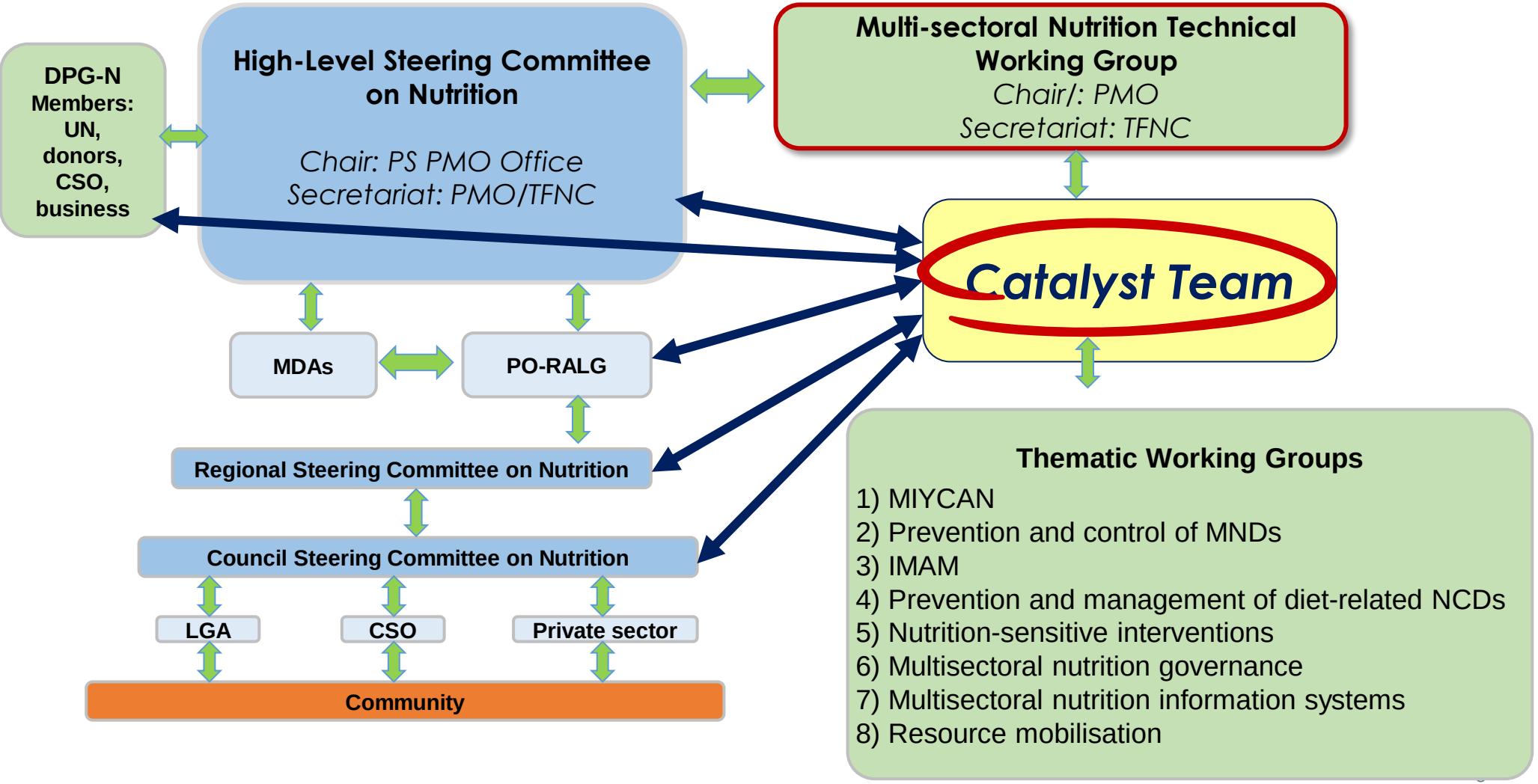
- **Anthropometric tools to health facility**
- **Availability of data for nutrition indicators at district and regional level**
- **Evidence driven actions at all levels**
- **Real time understanding of who is doing what, where**

Nutrition Scorecard

Nutrition Report Library



Catalyst Team in the NMNAP Architecture



Progress Made to Date

1. **Increased awareness** among **members of the MNSCN** on nutrition issues and collaboration among the key nutrition sectors
2. **Increased involvement** of Regional Teams in Tanga, Dodoma and Singida on SmaSi activities
3. Strategic **involvement of local influential members of the community (Councillors and Religious Leaders)** on SmaSi activities in Ikungi and Chamwino
4. Increased use of **local radios for nutrition messages** in local communities
5. Designing of **nutrition cockpit,** which facilitate accessibility of nutrition information and k**nowledge sharing**.
6. **Acquisition of anthropometric equipment's** for all health facilities in Chamwino DC

Expected Results of Smart Simplicity

Short term (2018-2019)

- **Evidence of increased collaboration** towards stunting reduction in pilot districts, between sectors, partners and other important actors in the community
- **Visibility for all stakeholders at national level on NMNAP progress and other nutrition-related data, e.g.** (who is doing what, where), learnings and best practices
- **Active feedback loop** established between PMO, PORALG, Catalyst Team, Thematic Working Groups and partners
- For the 5 pilot districts, **enhanced availability and accessibility of nutrition and related data**

Expected Results of Smart Simplicity

Medium term (2019-2020)

- ✓ **Evidence-based decision-making**
- ✓ **Increased Multi-sectoral collaboration at all levels**: sectors at RSs and LGAs (through MNSC and joint planning)
- ✓ **Increased program impact** due to **improved coordination** through best practice and **data sharing**
- ✓ **Increased awareness** of consequences of all forms of malnutrition at all levels including the community

By 2021

- ✓ **100% coverage of anthropometric equipment** across all facilities in Tanzania
- ✓ **Achievement of NMNAP targets** (including reduction of under-5 stunting level **to 28%)**

Next Steps

- Development of **Collaboration model tool kit** which will be used as a national guidance on multisectoral collaboration
- Quarterly M&E & follow up visit to **establish 3 regional catalyst teams** in Dodoma, Singida and Tanga
- SmaSI team to discuss with MSD, MoH, UNICEF and other stakeholders on **availability of anthro tools through MINS thematic working group meeting** (using the available data)
- Conduct new **WHO growth standard training** in **Chamwino (Comprehensive distribution of anthro. Equipments)**
- Operationalization of nutrition cockpit **(Uploading contents),** which is accessed through TFNC website (http://www.tfnc.go.tz)

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