USAID Advancing Nutrition

Partnering for Nutrition-Sensitive Agriculture to Reduce Malnutrition in India

Purpose

The purpose of the activity is to 1) address malnutrition among socio-economically disadvantaged families in Assam through nutrition-sensitive agriculture and 2) create mechanisms for the exchange of knowledge and information on nutrition-sensitive agriculture approaches to reducing malnutrition.

Activity Objectives

- Build partnerships with Indian Government and private sector entities for concerted action to reduce malnutrition.
- Support women to operate appropriate businesses and implement activities on increasing the availability, accessibility, and consumption of nutritious diets.
- Promote communities of practice (CoP) at multiple levels to share knowledge and best practices on how nutrition-sensitive agriculture can help reduce malnutrition.

Why Focus on Partnerships for Nutrition-Sensitive Agriculture Solutions to Malnutrition?

USAID Advancing Nutrition will partner with the Government and private sector organizations to demonstrate and scale up proven solutions to address malnutrition. Successful nutrition-sensitive agriculture activities that utilize existing structures and strategic partnerships demonstrate that such collaborations can effectively reach vulnerable populations.

The activity aims to improve the nutritional status of at least 50,000 women, adolescent girls, and children from socio-economically disadvantaged families in Assam. It will provide further proof that joint efforts by funders, Government, and the private sector can improve the availability, accessibility, and consumption of safe, nutritious foods among the target population.