IN-COUNTRY PARTNERS

- Government Institutions: PMO; TFNC; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Finance and Planning; President Office -Regional Administration and Local Government; Ministry of Agriculture; Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries; Ministry of Education, Science and Technology; Ministry of Investment, Industry and Trade; Ministry for Information, Communications, and Information Technology; Sokoine University of Agriculture; Ministry of Water, Ministry of Community Development Gender Women and Special Groups
- United Nations Agencies: UNICEF, World Food Programme
- USAID Implementing Partners: USAID Sera Bora, USAID Afya Yangu, NAFAKA, PANITA, USAID Lishe Endelevu

RELATED PUBLICATIONS AND TOOLS

- Planning and Budgeting Guidelines for Nutrition Sensitive Interventions across Ministries, Departments, and Agencies
- Resources Mobilization Strategy for NMNAP II
- National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan I Lessons Learned
- Rapid Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Assessment Tool



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USAID ADVANCING NUTRITION TANZANIA

Strengthening National Efforts to Improve Nutrition





OVERVIEW

USAID Advancing Nutrition worked in Tanzania from November 2019 to March 2023. The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has taken a multi-sectoral approach to address malnutrition, committing to high-level initiatives at the global and national levels. USAID Advancing Nutrition has worked to strengthen the government's efforts by providing direct technical assistance at the national level. Through our work, we aim to—

 Provide technical assistance to the government institutions including Prime Ministers Office (PMO) and Tanzania Food and Nutrition Centre (TFNC) to effectively coordinate and support nutrition-sensitive Ministries Departments and Agencies (MDA)





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ACHIEVEMENTS

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SUPPORTING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SECOND NATIONAL MULTISECTORAL NUTRITION ACTION PLAN (NMNAP)

• In our first year of implementation, we conducted an assessment to understand capacity, gaps, and opportunities across the nine MDAs. The assessment results informed the development of planning and budgeting guidelines for NSI MDAs, which are key in guiding annual planning and budgeting processes. Through the assessment, we also learned important gaps that helped the team offer targeted technical support to MDAs in collaboration with TFNC and PMO. Lastly, we introduced planning and budgeting training and review sessions for NSI MDAs, which increased the quality and quantity of nutrition-sensitive interventions included in the MDAs plans.

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MOBILIZING RESOURCES FOR BETTER NUTRITION

• Helped develop and operationalize the Resources Mobilization Strategy (RMS) for NMNAP II. The RMS proposes different financing strategies to meet the NMNAP II financial needs. During the development process, we applied a capacity building approach and worked with technical staff selected by the PMO from various MDAs who learned the process in order to contribute to the future relevant activities. To operationalize the RMS, USAID Advancing Nutrition supported the PMO to develop an annual assessment tool that was used to assess annual resources that were mobilized and used to implement NMNAP II. USAID Advancing Nutrition is also supporting the Government in introduction of sin tax on sugar and sweetened beverages, which is one of the financing strategy identified in the RMS. 3



STRENGTHENING ACCOUNTABILITY FOR NUTRITION

 Supported the PMO to introduce the Directors of Policy and Planning (DPP) Seminar, a platform that pushes for more accountability and commitment from nutrition-sensitive sectors. DPPs are important links in the sectors to ensure nutrition-sensitive activities are included in the MDAs plans and receive adequate budgets. Through implementation, PMO can monitor the sectors' performance and overall implementation of NMNAP II. This also helps TFNC provide more guidance to NSI MDAs. 4



STRENGTHENING CAPACITIES TO IMPLEMENT NMNAP

Our approach focused on strengthening the capacities of key actors to implement the NMNAP.We led numerous nutrition sensitive and leadership, systems and M&E technical trainings to TFNC, PMO and NSI MDA staff in response to specific needs.We also led a media engagement training for TFNC staff, and supported TFNC to develop a media engagement guide, to be able to communicate components of the NMNAP II with media and other stakeholders, including from the nutrition-sensitive sectors.We supported four TFNC staff to attend the Africa Nutrition Leadership Program in South Africa to strengthen their nutrition leadership capacity and currently are developing the similar program for Nutritionist in Tanzania.