Integrating Nutrition and Food Security programming For Emergency response and Resilience Building



Regional Training Workshop, 25th -27th February 2014 Lukenya Getaway Hotel, Nairobi - Kenya

PROVISIONAL AGENDA - OVERVIEW

The agenda below is designed to meet the workshop objectives which are:

- 1) To foster the dialogue between food security and nutrition sectors to ensure a shared understanding of the linkages between Nutrition and food security and to identify opportunities for collaboration across sectors to achieve common nutritional objectives
- 2) To share technical knowledge and good practices in needs assessment, design, implementation and, monitoring and evaluation of integrated nutrition and food security interventions

To achieve this objective, emphasis is given on the following features:

- Ensuring all participants, which come from both food security and nutrition, are "on the same page" in terms of concepts (malnutrition, food security, resilience) and shared understanding of the situation and challenges in the region
- Learning from practical regional/country experiences (successful (and unsuccessful) practices) on a variety
 of technical topics(from food production/ seeds/ cash & voucher programs/ livestock (like milk matters),
 etc.), based on the programming cycle: assessment, types of interventions, and M&E
- Group work to practically experiment a methodology for joint planning

The workshop will be facilitated by one main facilitator assisted by a team a "technical facilitators" for each section. ToT participants will have also to play facilitating roles as part of their training.

The workshop agenda is organized around 5 main sessions:

Session 1 "Setting the scene": This section looks at what participants from different backgrounds already know about food security and nutrition, and provides basic knowledge of the concepts. It allows participants to identify what the obstacles for better nutrition-sensitive programming are.

Session 2 "Situation analysis": This session helps better understand the principal causal pathways of malnutrition and how they are related to people's livelihoods, and identify what are the information and data sources required (and potential information gap) for a comprehensive analysis of the nutrition situation and of the causes of malnutrition. This section also allows participants to share experiences on methodologies and joint process for comprehensive assessment.

Session 3 "Response analysis and project design": The objectives of this session are to understand how professional from different sectors and institutions can contribute to achieve common nutrition outcomes and to learn from and discuss examples of activities and programme to integrate nutrition and food security.

Session 4 "Monitoring and evaluating nutritional outcomes": This section clarifies the concepts of monitoring and evaluation and allows participants to discuss and learn on how to define indicators to measure the nutrition outcomes of interventions along the result chain (process/output/outcome/impact).

Session 5 "Next steps": Participants, grouped per country, look back at the ground that has been covered during the workshop and prepare how they will apply what was discussed to their country. They work on country action plan taking on board recommendations coming out from the workshop and identifying key opportunities and challenges to better integrate Nutrition and Food Security programming (including required resources and possible constraints).

Time	Tuesday 25 th February	Wednesday 26 th February	Thursday 27 th February
8:30- -11:00am (approx.)	Registration of participants	Session 3: Response analysis and project design	Session 4: Monitoring and evaluating the nutritional
	Opening session		outcomes of interventions
	Presentation of the workshop facilitators, objectives of the workshop and introduction of participants	 Mixed-country group exercise: Building a solution tree for malnutrition Planning activities and identifying pathways through which interventions can contribute to nutritional outcomes. 	Mixed-country group exercise: What indicators to monitor nutritional outcomes of interventions?
11:00am -1:00pm (approx.)	Session 1: Setting the scene		
	Presentation: Agreeing on the concepts for Nutrition, Food Security and Resilience		
	Group exercise: What are the obstacles / barriers for more nutrition-sensitive programming?	Conclusion of the group exercise: What opportunities for linking nutrition and food security interventions and for maximizing nutritional outcomes of FS interventions?	Conclusion of the group exercise and presentations: How to measure the nutritional outcomes of food security programmes
1-2:00pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
2:00- 4:00pm (approx.)	Session 2: Situation analysis	Parallel sessions— Sharing experiences on project design and interventions: Possible themes¹: Creating synergies and complementarities between Nutrition and Food Security interventions Diversifying local production and supporting local livelihoods Nutrition sensitive value chains	Discussions – Multi sectoral planning and coordination mechanisms for malnutrition: main challenges
	Presentation: Introduction to the levels and types of malnutrition and of the different livelihoods in the region and by country		
	Mixed-country group exercise: Building a problem tree for malnutrition		Session 5: Next steps:
4:00- 5:00pm (approx.)	Presentations – Sharing experience on situation analysis: Conducting joint assessment Collecting food consumption data: indicators and data available in the region Integrated information system	Key lessons from the parallel sessions: Restitution on each theme	Country group work: Definition of next steps and follow-up mechanisms at country level: key actions to be taken
5:00- 5:30pm (approx.)	Country group work: conclusion of the session -	Country group work: conclusion of the days - main challenges and opportunities for joint planning and action in Food Security and Nutrition at country level	Conclusion of the workshop Closing remarks

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¹ MAIN THEMES OF PARALLEL SESSIONS ARE INDICATIVE as the collection of case studies is ongoing. The idea is to draw lessons from participants' experience in designing and implementing programmes to address malnutrition problems.