

Comoros



Joined Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement: December 2013

National Multi-Stakeholder Platform for Nutrition: A multisectoral coordination mechanism exists, but it is not official

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COUNTRY NUTRITION STATUS

→ Annual country nutrition indicators from the Global Nutrition Report:

<https://globalnutritionreport.org/resources/nutrition-profiles/africa/eastern-africa/comoros/>

● National multi-stakeholder platform (MSP)

Date established: no information

● MSP annual action plan exists

● Subnational nutrition coordination mechanism

● Subnational MSPs exist

● Subnational MSPs have annual action plans

● ● ● National nutrition plan

<https://scalingupnutrition.org/resource-library/national-plans/national-nutrition-plan-comoros-2022>

● Advocacy and communications framework/plan

SUN networks in-country presence

● SUN Civil Society Network

● SUN Business Network

● UN-Nutrition

● SUN Academia Network

● SUN Donor Network

● Others: e.g. youth, parliamentarian, media

Finance for nutrition

● Resource mobilization strategy exists

● Budget tracking exercise done this year

● Funding gaps identified this year

● Domestic expenditures on nutrition tracked

● Yes ● In process ● No ● Costed ● M&E framework

COUNTRY PRIORITIES 2023

Establish a functional multi-sector nutrition and food committee; Organise a national nutrition day; Evaluate and update the National Nutrition and Food Policy Action and Implementation Plan

2022 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

Topic: Reaching marginalised or especially disadvantaged groups

PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

→ SO.1 Strengthen and sustain strong policy and advocacy environments

Fulfilment of the commitments made by the government for the year 2022 at the Tokyo Summit (N4G); strengthening of nutritional care for children suffering from severe acute malnutrition by UNICEF/JICA funds; organisation of a media event on breastfeeding (Breastfeeding Week).

→ SO.2 Develop and align shared country priorities for action

The country has made efforts to improve the nutrition environment by producing advocacy documents (Emerging Comoros Plan) and technical documents (integrated malnutrition management protocol, Comorian food guide). In addition, regular meetings with stakeholders have been organised in order to see the progress made in nutrition, and to focus on nutrition indicators.

→ SO.3 Build and strengthen country capacity

Although Comoros has recorded a number of successes, there are still some capacity gaps to be filled, particularly in resource mobilisation. Effective implementation of community nutrition activities

→ SO.4 Ensure governance of SUN that promotes country leadership and responsibilities of government, aligns the resources of all SUN Movement stakeholders behind country priorities and strengthens 360 mutual accountability

There is a nutrition governance system and structure, but efforts need to be made to improve the institutional framework for nutrition, as well as the recruitment of qualified people within the nutrition department. For the time being, the government is ensuring the payment of the necessary human resources (National Nutrition Manager and his island sponsors) and the establishment of the nutrition service within the Directorate of Family Health. To improve the country's capacity to implement more programmes, a roundtable is planned for 2023 to mobilise funds for nutrition.