

Uganda



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National Multi-Stakeholder Platform for Nutrition: Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Technical Coordination Committee (MSNTCC)

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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/uganda/>

● 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-uganda-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

Build capacity on nutrition governance; Strengthen capacity-development ability; Develop an updated stakeholder database; Advocate for resource allocation; Realign targets and resources; Advocate for commitments from development partners

2022 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

Topic: Advocacy

Title: Advocacy and engagement of sectors towards one common goal

About: Ensuring stakeholders are aligned around a common national plan and making a strong advocacy pitch to decision makers within the country.

PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

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

Parish Development Committees have been included as the lowest governance unit for nutrition at the parish level. The SUN Civil Society Alliance and SUN Business Network have been established within the country.

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

The Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Technical Coordination Committee (MSNTCC) brings together various nutrition stakeholders to determine and agree on nutrition priorities and track progress. The MSNTCC is aligned with the Government's coordination architecture, and its report is discussed at the Policy Coordination Committee, chaired by the Prime Minister. The MSNTCC sets the direction for coordinating nutrition work planning and implementation within the country. Meetings aim to consider the Uganda Nutrition Action Plan (UNAP) secretariat's key priorities, which are meant to serve as a benchmark for coordinating and implementing nutrition programming.

→ SO.3 Build and strengthen country capacity

The Office of the Prime Minister has played a significant role in streamlining governance structures and platforms related to the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement. Most platforms have been established successfully, with SUN Academia platform planned for finalization in early 2023.

→ 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

The Office of the Prime Minister, through the MSNTCC, plans to better map partners involved in financing nutrition activities to optimize resource use. The increasing involvement of donors in financing priority nutrition interventions is commendable. The Office of the Prime Minister, in collaboration with the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Regional Health Integration to Enhance Services (RHITES) project, has conducted functionality assessments at the district level to evaluate the performance of District Nutrition Coordination Committees. The MSNTCC also has emphasized the importance of data for nutrition planning and implementation. Phase II of the National Information Platform for Nutrition has begun, aiming to provide regular data for UNAP II implementation.