



Joined: April 2013
Population: 51.49 million

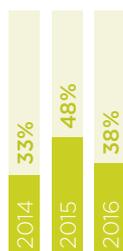
Myanmar



*data sources detailed in Annex 1

Institutional Transformations in 2015 - 16

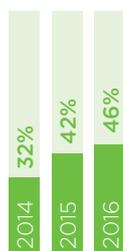
Bringing people together into a shared space for action



Myanmar's Multi-Stakeholder Platform (MSP) continues to bring together governmental nutrition-specific and sensitive sectors, along with civil society organisations, UN agencies and donors. A Presidential-level coordination committee, the Myanmar National Committee on Food and Nutrition Security has been proposed to the new Gov-

ernment to ensure better linkages with the Platform. The new Government had placed nutrition as the top agenda in its election campaign manifesto and development partners have intensified efforts to advocate for nutrition through several briefs to the new leadership on the importance of nutrition as an economic and social development issue.

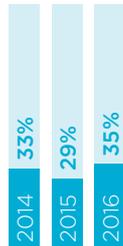
Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework



The National Plan of Action for Food and Nutrition (NPAFN), which is currently being revised, will serve as a Ministerial guide for strategies and action plans aiming to mainstream nutrition into sectoral policies. The National Action Plan for Poverty Alleviation and Rural Development through Agriculture is currently being reviewed

with the aim of increasing its focus on nutrition. The development of the Myanmar National Action Plan for Food and Nutrition Security (MNAPFNS), currently at a draft stage, can be seen as a strategy for strengthening the agricultural sector, food and energy security, and nutritious food production.

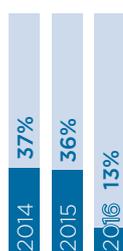
Aligning actions around a common results framework



The development of the draft of the Myanmar National Action Plan for Food and Nutrition Security (MNAPFNS) - a response to the Zero Hunger Challenge - has included analysing multi-sectoral policies related to food and nutrition. Medium and long-term implementation objectives

have been established by way of multi-stakeholder consultations. Different agencies' approaches are aligned with relevant national strategies and information systems have been put in place in sectoral ministries and in stakeholders' programmes.

Financing tracking and resource mobilisation



The nutrition-specific component of the National Plan of Action for Food and Nutrition (NPAFN) has been costed. Programmatic costing for nutrition exists within the Livelihoods and Food Security Trust Fund and the Three Millennium Development Goal Fund. Public expenditure reporting systems exists within the Government,

although a systematic tracking nutrition budgets and expenditures beyond allocations to the National Nutrition Centre is needed. Domestic funding for nutrition-specific sectors has been increasing over the past years. External funding is aiming to fill domestic funding gaps.



2016-17 PRIORITIES

- Leveraging leadership for nutrition at the highest levels
- The participatory development of a National Advocacy, Social Mobilisation and Communication Strategy
- Undertaking a situational analysis at the sub-national level with one State or region
- Conducting a national nutrition stocktaking (including a situation analysis; policy reviews, plans and legal frameworks; planning and monitoring; a stakeholder mapping; and coverage).