

# Uganda



**Joined Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement:** March 2011

**National multi-stakeholder platform for nutrition:** Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Coordination Committee

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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)

- MSP annual action plan exists

### ● Subnational nutrition coordination mechanism

- Subnational MSPs exist
- Subnational MSPs have annual action plans

### ●●● National nutrition plan

Uganda Nutrition Action Plan II 2020–2025 –

<https://scalingupnutrition.org/resource-library/national-nutrition-plan-uganda>

### ● 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 2022

- Conducting comprehensive nutrition stakeholder and action mapping at the ministries, departments and agencies (MDA) and local government levels.
- Establishing and supporting the functionality of Nutrition Coordination Committees at the MDA and local government levels.
- Establishing and supporting the functionality of all SUN networks with a focus on the SUN Business, Academia and Civil Society Networks.

## 2021 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

**Topic:** Mutual accountability

**Title:** Nutrition capacity-building in Uganda

**About:** Accountability for joint planning, reviews and multisectoral meetings is through the annual Nutrition Forum, the high-level platform of the Office of the Prime Minister and Uganda Nutrition Action Plan implementing MDA ministers, implementing partner agency heads and local development partners.

## PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

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

The Uganda Nutrition Action Plan II (UNAP II) coordination structure derives from the institutional framework for the coordination of government policies and programmes as described in the National Coordination Policy (2015). The Government contributes a large portion of funding for nutrition-specific and -sensitive actions through existing budgets. The National Nutrition Policy is in its final stages of completion and its regulatory impact assessment has been validated. Some nutrition-relevant policies and planning frameworks exist but relevant nutrition provisions need to be popularized and put into action.

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

It is expected that the country is on track to meet its set targets for 2025 in the UNAP II. The plan's nutrition indicators and the 2020/2021 cycle of the panel survey results will enable a determination of whether there has been progress. The UNAP II was approved alongside a nutrition dashboard with indicators from the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework. These indicators were developed at the global, strategy and output levels. Output-level indicators allow progress monitoring quarterly and through MDA-based management information systems.

### → SO.3 Build and strengthen country capacity

Training packages for cascading the Nutrition Advocacy and Communication Strategy of the UNAP II have been developed and various capacity-building activities at the subnational level are ongoing.

### → 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

Increased governance and coordination enabled strong food systems dialogues preparation ahead of the September 2021 United Nations Food Systems Summit. Nutrition Policy Coordination Committees chaired by the Prime Minister were held in support of Food Systems Summit participation in the national dialogue. The President attended the event. Five Action Track Working Groups were supported through leadership at the Office of the Prime Minister. Most nutrition governance interventions are currently funded through projects and non-State actors' budgets.