

# Papua New Guinea



Joined Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement: April 2016

National Multi-Stakeholder Platform for Nutrition: Nutrition Sector

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## COUNTRY NUTRITION STATUS

→ Annual country nutrition indicators from the Global Nutrition Report:

<https://globalnutritionreport.org/resources/nutrition-profiles/oceania/melanesia/papua-new-guinea/>

### ● National multi-stakeholder platform (MSP)

Date established: 2021

● 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-papua-new-guinea-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

Completing the National Nutrition Survey, which will serve as the primary Government document, is a key priority. This will provide the latest data for fostering nutrition investments and guiding evidence-based programming.

## 2022 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

**Topic:** Strengthening partnerships

**Title:** Child Nutrition and Social Protection Project

**About:** Under this project, \$890 million was received as a concessional loan from the World Bank. This was complemented by additional co-funding in the form of a \$10 million grant from the Government of Australia to reduce childhood stunting.

## PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

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

Papua New Guinea has its Nutrition Policy 2016–2026, but the National Nutrition Strategic Action Plan (2018–2022) has lapsed. Efforts are underway to develop the 2023–2026 Strategic Action Plan, along with plans for monitoring and evaluation and advocacy.

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

The country priorities have been defined and agreed upon. However, support is needed from stakeholders nationally and globally to achieve these goals.

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

Papua New Guinea is establishing a School of Food Science and Human Nutrition to further improve staff capacity in nutrition. Currently, nutritionists are trained overseas, as there are no facilities in the country.

→ **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 SUN Movement is working with other stakeholders, but limited resources is a key challenge. Partners have agreed upon country priorities, but there is an overall lack of investment in nutrition.