

# Somalia



**Joined Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement:** June 2014

**National Multi-Stakeholder Platform for Nutrition:** National Coordination for Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Somalia

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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/somalia/>

### ● 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-somalia-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

Operationalize the nutrition coordination structure; Establish a national food systems and nutrition council; Review the Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Strategy; Improve budget tracking and analysis; Develop food systems pathway action plans

## 2022 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

**Topic:** Tours and learning exchanges between countries

**Title:** Ethiopia country benchmarking tour

**About:** The Ethiopia learning exchange helped Somalia identify, analyse and adopt best practices while learning how to improve governance, leadership, coordination and operations across multisectoral platforms.

## PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

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

The country has strengthened the enabling environment for scaling up nutrition responses, including sustained advocacy for the enactment of a food system and nutrition bill, the inclusion of nutrition (and its indicators) as a chapter in the national development plan, and anchoring the SUN Movement in the Office of the Prime Minister, ensuring strong political good will and advocacy for the enactment of a high-level, inclusive food system and nutrition council led by the Prime Minister. The country hopes to enact a multisectoral policy to inform the food system and nutrition agenda in the coming years.

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

Commendable progress has been made in the development of a multisectoral nutrition strategy and common results framework. Joint work planning, learning workshops and regular SUN Network platforms help sustain a shared vision on nutrition priorities. The networks work to bring members together in identifying priorities, resources and shared accountability systems for results.

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

Sustained capacity-development workshops target multisectoral nutrition stakeholders, and SUN partners jointly support trainings, technical assistance and joint collaboration forums aimed at developing country-level capacities. Support also exists for the development of policies, strategies, plans and programmes aimed at responding to food system and nutrition challenges.

### → 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

Under the leadership of the Office of the Prime Minister, the SUN Movement has developed and approved a robust coordination and governance structure, with clearly defined mandates and roles, that seeks to build on complementing capacities and functionalities of existing structures and systems in scaling up nutrition. The Prime Minister has been a strong nutrition champion, elevating nutrition in the national agenda and partner priorities and leading to an increase in nutrition budgets, both domestic and external. With partner support, the Government has committed to increasing the nutrition budget from 3 per cent to 5 per cent by 2025. Currently, nutrition indicators are included in performance tracking and accountability.