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Building and Sustaining Political  
Commitment for Nutrition Action



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# Key Success Factors

- National Nutrition Policy : Endorsed by the Cabinet in 2015
- 7th Five year Plan: Incorporated Nutrition & Food safety, elaborated each Ministry's work
- National Nutrition Services (NNS): Facilitates the delivery of a comprehensive multi-sectoral nutrition package to the communities
- Community Clinic: Mainstreaming Nutrition Intervention through Community Based Approach
- National Steering Committee for Nutrition (chaired by Secretary for Health, with 13 Ministries)

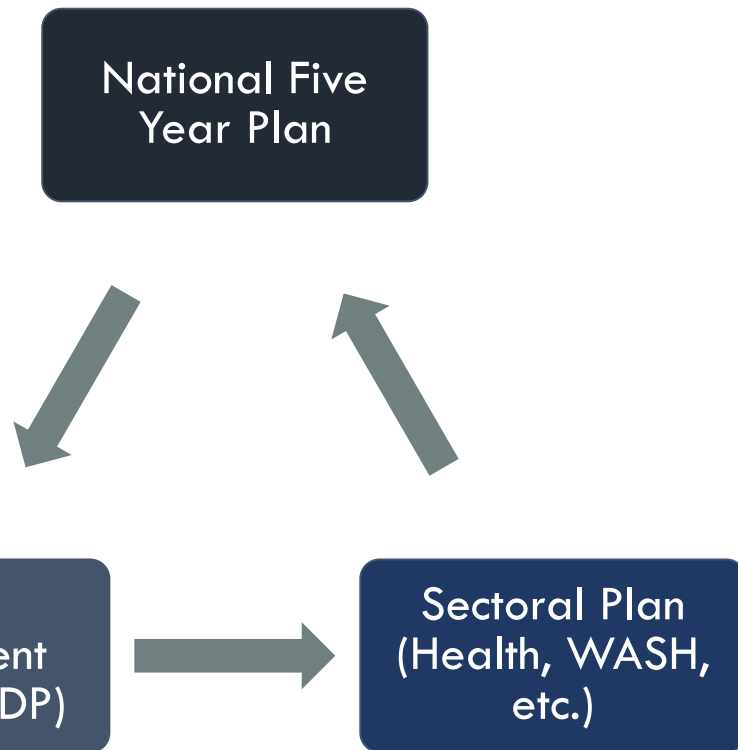
# Key Success Factors (contd..)

- Breast Milk Substitutes Code & Paid Maternity Leave for six months: Legislations are in place
- Country Investment Plan CIP 2010-15: Food ministry, food security, nutrition security. National Committee for CIP, Food Policy Working Group, 4 Thematic Teams (including 1 on nutrition) involving 13 Ministries
- Food Policy Monitoring Committee (Cabinet level committee, chaired by Minister of Food, with Finance, Agriculture, etc)
- Effective Tracking system: District Health Information System (DHIS 2), Bangladesh Demography and Health Survey (BDHS), Country Investment Plan (CIP) monitoring, Nutrition for growth tracking report, financial audit

# Political circumstances and key steps taken

- Bangladesh National Nutrition Council (BNNC): Revitalization has been initiated and is envisaged to be the highest level coordinating mechanism for multi-sectoral nutrition chaired by the Prime Minister.
- National Plan of Action on Nutrition: Revision is going on. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is leading this process with active participation from all relevant Ministries and development partners
- National Food Policy Plan of Action (NFP-PoA; 2008-2015) and Country Implementation Plan (CIP; 2010-2015) : Revision of the are ongoing
- Comprehensive Social and Behavior Change Communication Strategy: awaiting for endorsement
- A draft multi-sectoral nutrition Common Results Framework (CRF) development is ongoing & to be incorporated in NPAN

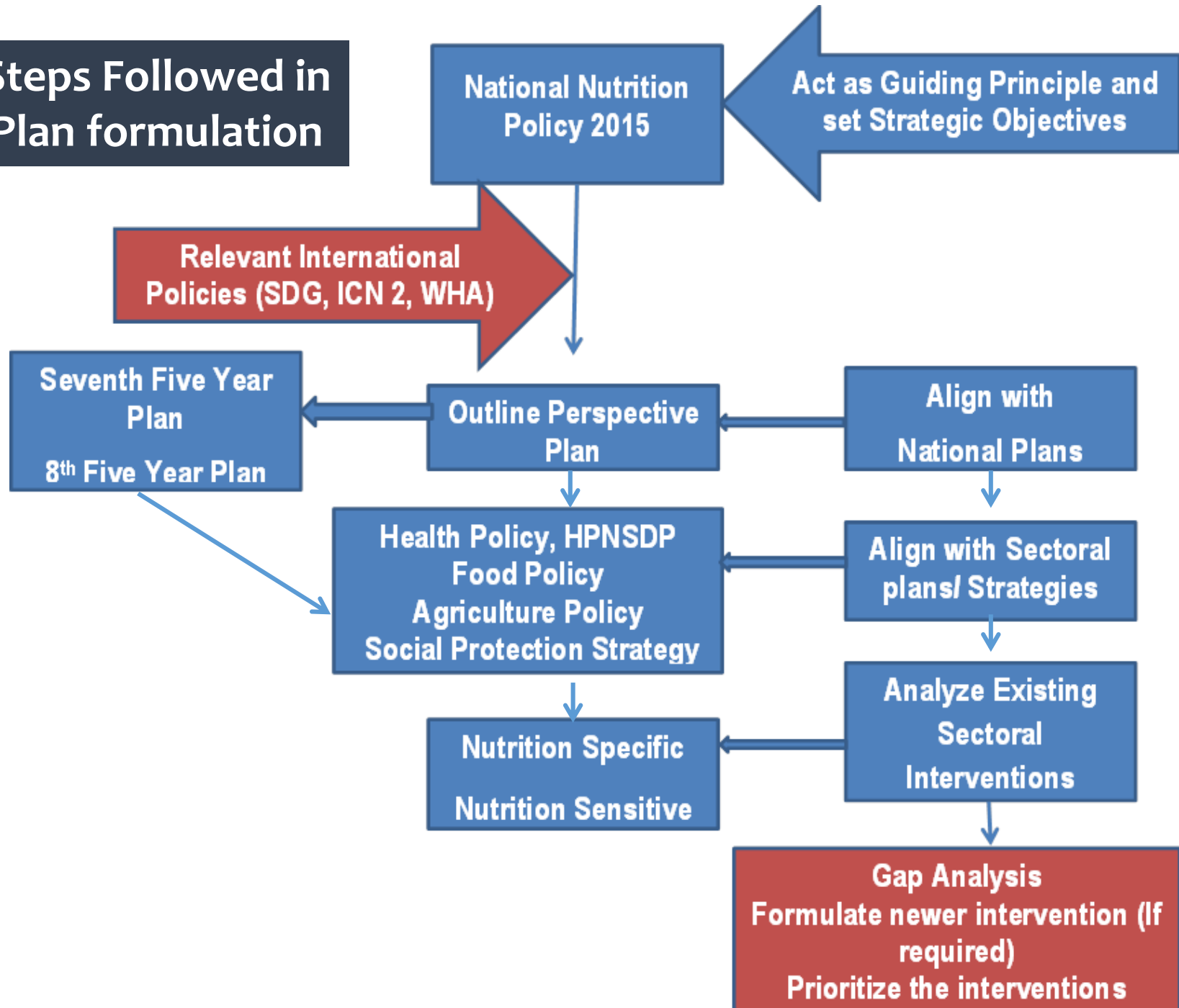
# Interlinks of Development Plans



- Five year plan form by GoB every five years
- Annual budget allocation to ADP based on this
- Budget allocations to nutrition specific and sensitive interventions fall under ADP
- Develop sectoral plans based on the ADP budget
- Develop new five year plans using data on expenditure for sectoral plans
- The cycle continues

Country Investment Plan (CIP)- monitoring done annually to track the investment and achievements of agriculture, food security & nutrition related sectors

# Steps Followed in Plan formulation



# Prime Minister's Commitment



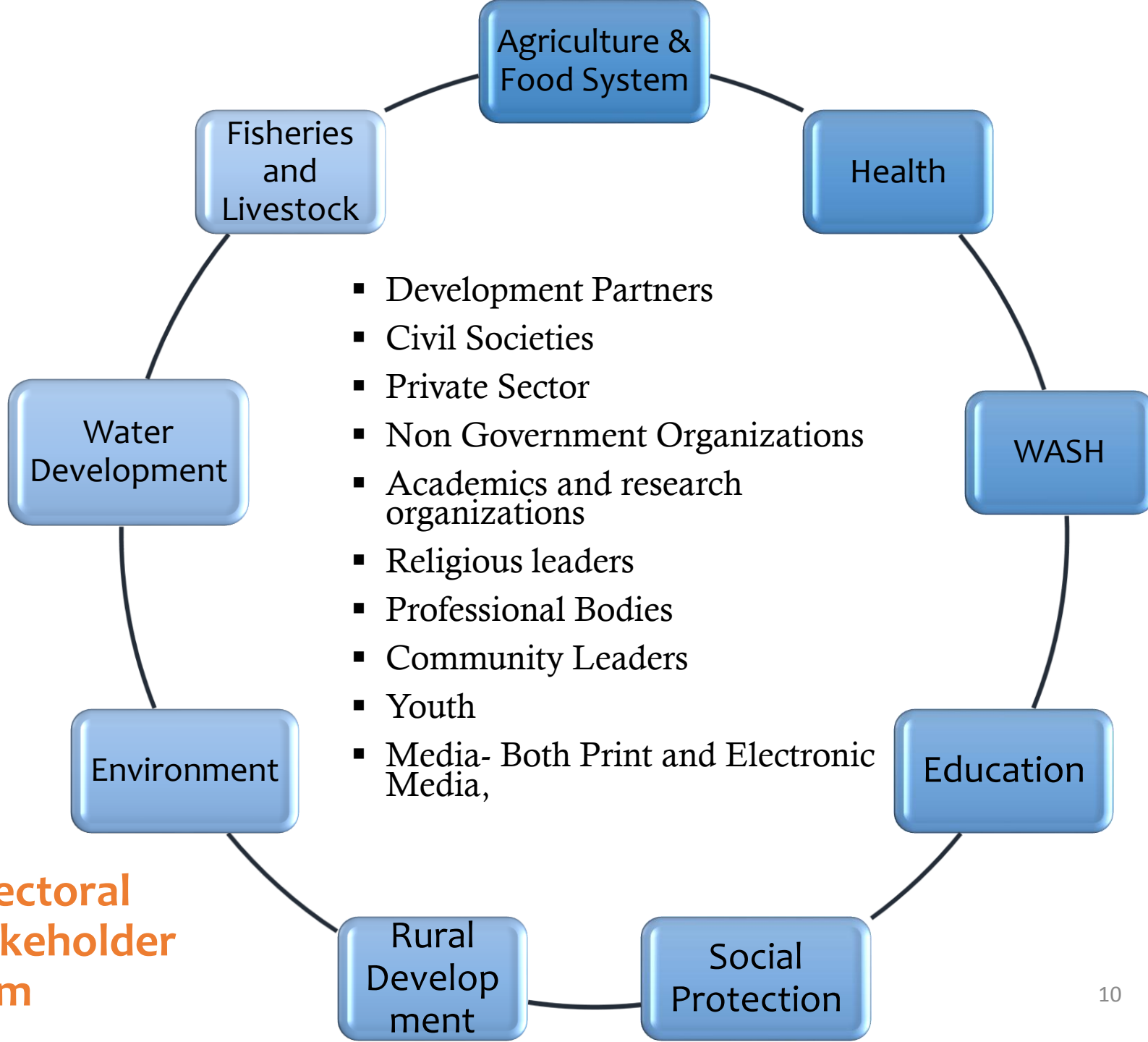
“Malnutrition is the largest single contributor to physical and mental under-development and disease. Personally I am committed to taking up these challenges at all levels.”

Her Excellency **Sheikh Hasina**,  
Prime Minister of Bangladesh



# Relevant Ministries

- MOHFW
- MOLGRDC
- M of Planning
- M of Education
- M of Food
- M of Agriculture
- M of Fisheries and Livestock
- M of Industries
- M of Information
- M of Commerce
- Ministry of Disaster
- M of Women and Child Affairs
- Ministry of Social Welfare Affairs



Agriculture & Food System

Fisheries and Livestock

Health

WASH

Education

Social Protection

Rural Development

Environment

Water Development

- Development Partners
- Civil Societies
- Private Sector
- Non Government Organizations
- Academics and research organizations
- Religious leaders
- Professional Bodies
- Community Leaders
- Youth
- Media- Both Print and Electronic Media,

**Multi sectoral and stakeholder Platform**

# Challenges

- Lack of human resources in nutrition (within MoHFW and across relevant sectors) and Utilization of other relevant workers (eg. Agriculture extension workers)
- Catering nutrition Specific and sensitive services in Urban areas (specifically urban slums)

# Guidance: A Message

Create **enabling policy environment for supporting multi-sectoral leadership and stakeholder collaboration**; which will assist to identify and support **national opinion leaders** from all walks of life to **address and champion solutions** to existing and emerging nutrition challenges.

**Better Nutrition for  
Better Bangladesh  
For all**

**Thank you**

