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Aligning actions around a common results framework

The 2014-2025 National Nutrition Strategic Plan (NNSP) brings together stakeholders and recognises the contribution of good nutrition to the health and development of children. A multi-sectoral nutrition situation analysis is being carried out, as humanitarian response plans for the past three years have been multi-sectoral in terms of joint planning and implementation. A Joint Resilience Project will inform planning and implementation in both humanitarian and development contexts, after its evaluation.

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2017–2018 PRIORITIES

- Advocate for activities to influence political and economic decision-makers;
- Support the Sudanese health sector in implementing actions to prevent malnutrition;
- Increase the mobilisation of resources and initiatives on food security.