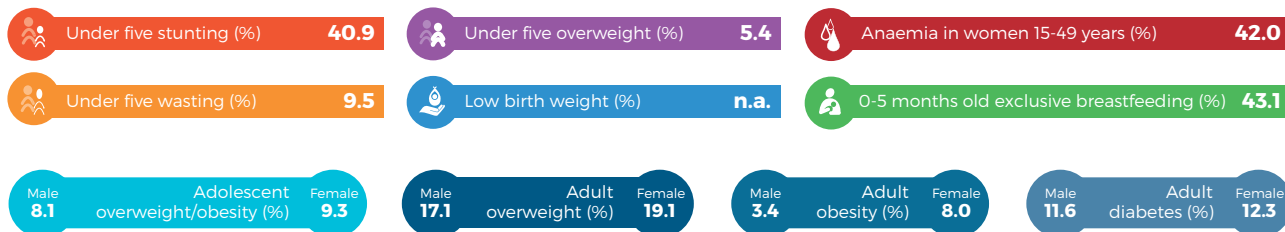


Afghanistan



Joined: September 2017
Population: 38.04 million
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INSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATIONS 2018-2019

Bringing people together into a shared space for action	Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework	Aligning actions around common results	Financing tracking and resource mobilisation
2014	2014	2014	2014
2015	2015	2015	2015
2016	2016	2016	2016
2017	2017	2017	2017
2018	2018	2018	2018
2019	2019	2019	2019

2019 TOTAL WEIGHTED **40%**

<p>Afghanistan's first joint assessment provided the space for open discussion, and re-engagement in collective nutrition focused action.</p> <p>Strong political commitment for the Afghanistan Food Security and Nutrition Agenda (AFSeN-A) drives the new and existing multi-stakeholder platforms to better link around (MSP) nutritional priorities.</p> <p>Cabinet, health and agriculture ministries, UN, civil Society, Donors, and recently private sector actors are engaged. Humanitarian actors are now linked in to ensure continuum of care.</p> <p>Provincial food security and nutrition committees exist in 20 of 34 provinces.</p>	<p>AFSeN-A MSP recognised the importance of evidence-based policy formulation and related capacity strengthening is ongoing.</p> <p>All Food Security and Nutrition policy will now be channelled through the MSP before enactment.</p> <p>Food fortification regulation has been endorsed.</p> <p>The Afghanistan Food and Food Safety Authority is set to be established.</p> <p>Breast Milk Substitute code is in place and enforcement is strengthened.</p> <p>A Community Based Nutrition Package (CBNP) is being rolled out in over 20 provinces.</p> <p>The National Guidelines on Girls' Hygiene was launched and should improve the environment for improved nutrition.</p>	<p>The AFSeN-A, SDG aligned, strategic plan that includes a common results (CRF) and advocacy framework was finalized and will be endorsed in 2019 for implementation by MSP members.</p> <p>A CRF monitoring plan is established, but renewed commitment by all stakeholders is sought to ensure a robust MEAL system is supplied with data that can track and guide the collective action.</p> <p>Weekly iron folic acid supplementation reached 1.1 millions girls' between 10-19 years in 2018.</p> <p>Joint development of a nutrition advocacy framework has also helped improve capacity development and sensitization of key policy makers and technical staff about nutrition.</p>	<p>The ongoing CRF costing process is ongoing at government level with other MSP member to be included once this is done.</p> <p>A first budget analysis was completed despite challenges.</p> <p>Introduction of the World Bank Famine Action Mechanism (FAM) will allow for a clearer Humanitarian Development Nexus and should help securing long term flexible funding along the continuum of nutrition programming.</p>
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2019-2020 PRIORITIES

- Improve policy and legislative environment for food security and nutrition (FSN);
- Strengthen coordination on nutrition issues at national and subnational level;
- Improve costing, budgetary analysis and financial tracking for FSN;
- Implement the Common Results Framework;
- Enhance coordinated advocacy for FSN;
- Strengthen leadership capacity to better promote FSN programming;
- Improve long term financial and technical support to the AFSeN-A.