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

INSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATIONS 2018–2019

There is improved coordination between Bangladesh National Nutrition Council (BNNC) and SUN platforms.

National Nutrition Week was a pivotal event bringing together stakeholders at all levels.

All SUN Networks are functional, with Academia and Business Network recently operationalised.

In-country coordination has improved as a result of BNNC’s increased role and establishment of decentralised multi-sectoral nutrition committees at district and sub district level.

Nutrition focal points have been identified in 22 nutrition relevant ministries and agencies and regular meetings are held.

A solid nutrition policy framework is in place. Several nutrition related policies are in place: Breastmilk Substitutes Act, Baby Friendly Health Initiative (BFHI), maternity protection law, food fortification.

Based on National Plan of Action for Nutrition (NPAN2) targets, SUN Networks are supporting government to adopt evidence based policies.

BNNC and partners launched the National Advocacy Plan to create an enabling policy & legal environment.

The CSA conducted a study on NPAN2 progress and nutrition gap analysis to ensure coherent nutrition policy. Key findings will be shared.

A monitoring framework, annual sectoral work plan and advocacy plan for nutrition have been developed.

SMART indicators identified for NPAN2 and the Second Country Investment Plan (CIP2).

Several capacity building initiatives aimed at policy makers and implementers were conducted.

Food Planning and Monitoring Unit (FPMU) coordinates efforts to produce the annual monitoring report for the CIP2, making it a “living document” as intended.

BNNC is coordinating production of an annual monitoring report and findings will stimulate informed decision-making and improve coordination.

Financial tracking systems for the Common Results Framework (CRF) are in place.

The Public Expenditure Review provided an opportunity to track the financial allocation of the government in nutrition.

BNNC is now playing a pivotal role in mobilizing the academia and researchers in Bangladesh and advocating for increased funding for nutrition research.

Annual sectoral workplans with activities and budget for 20 ministries are in place.

BNNC plans to establish a central mechanism to track budget (pledged, allocation, disbursement and expenditure) of each line ministry against their workplan.

2019–2020 PRIORITIES

• Multi-sectoral policy review and mapping.
• Budget tracking for relevant sectors.
• Develop research strategy for nutrition.