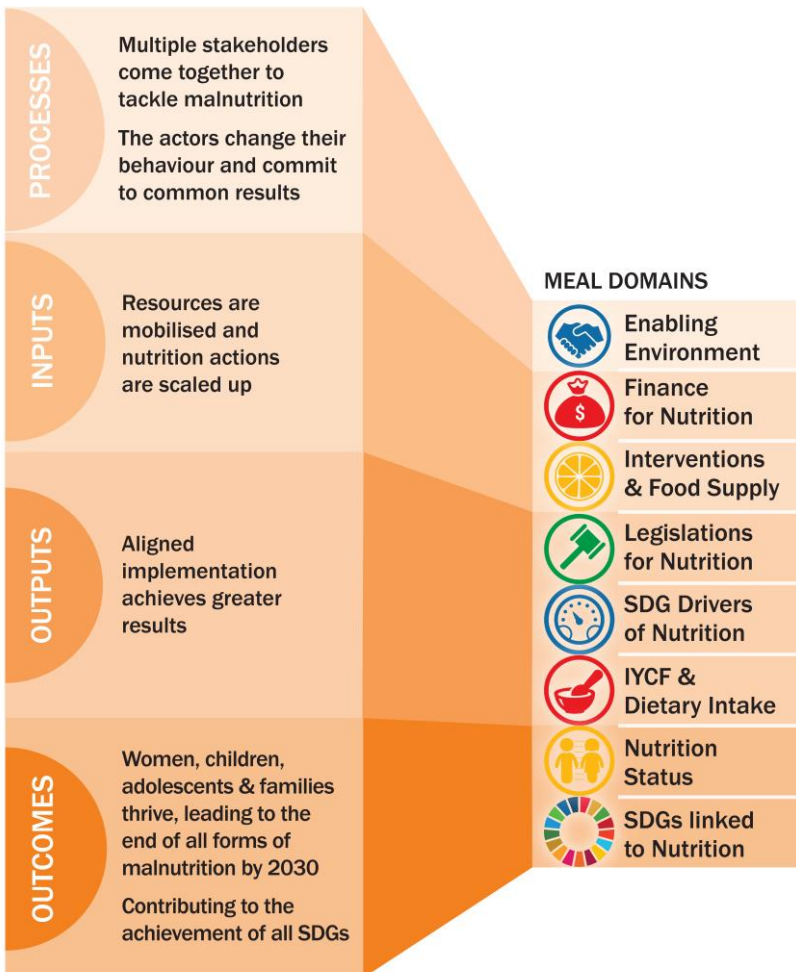




# Lao People's Democratic Republic

The Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning (MEAL) System was developed for the SUN Strategy 2016-2020. It identifies a wide range of desired results and associated indicators of progress across eight domains in which the SUN Movement seeks to catalyze change and deliver nutrition impact. These results correspond to the steps in the SUN Movement Theory of Change.

SUN MOVEMENT THEORY OF CHANGE



The MEAL Subnational Dashboard provides an overview of progress made at the subnational administrative unit level for a standard set of indicators that cover different dimensions of the SUN Movement Theory of Change, from commitments to actions to results to impacts. The selected indicators are aligned with globally agreed frameworks for nutrition and with the SDGs indicators.

This dashboard provides an overview of progress made by Lao PDR's 17 provinces and one prefecture.

Provincial-level data are available for 26 MEAL indicators, with all data coming from the Lao Social Indicator Survey II (MICS) in 2017.

Results show stronger performance in the provinces of Luangnamtha, Huaphanh, Xayaburty, Xiengkhuang and Borikhamxay across most domains assessed.

The provinces of Savannakhet, Champasack and Lunagpraban have the lowest levels of coverage of nutrition interventions and food supply. Kahmmuane, Savannakhet and Champasack provinces have below national average performance on all four infant and young child feeding (IYCF) indicators. Over half of children U5 are stunted in the provinces of Phongsaly and Sekong, and over half of women are anaemic in Saravane, Borikhamxay and Kahmmuane provinces.

A detailed description of the MEAL Results Framework and Lists of Indicators, including definitions and data sources, is available at <http://bit.ly/sunmeal>. The MEAL system relies mainly on existing data sources, gathered from validated global datasets (e.g. WHO, UNICEF, FAO and other) but also data collected by the SUN Secretariat and SUN Networks.

## Colour-coded Performance Classification

The following tables summarize the data available at a sub-national level for MEAL key indicators, grouped by MEAL domains. Two types of comparisons are made for each indicator:



### Comparison of national performance to other SUN countries

For each indicator, the national-level performance is assessed relative to other SUN countries or to established global cut-offs (where available), as described in the MEAL Baseline Report for 2016. The cut-offs used for each indicator are shown in the MEAL National Performance Colour Classification Legends on the last page of this document. The “green” colour indicates “good” performance, intervention coverage or nutrition status in relative terms. It does not represent that this target has been fully met.





### Comparison of sub-national to national performance

At the sub-national level, performance is assessed relative to the national level. Green circles indicate sub-national performance equal to or better than national level results; red circles indicate poorer performance relative to the national level.



## Enabling Environment

	INDICATOR		SCORE	SOURCE
1	Existence of sub-national Multi-Stakeholder Platforms (MSP) that address nutrition		Yes	Joint Annual Assessment 2018
	- Distribution of sub-national level MSPs by region	–	N/A	–
2	Existence of stakeholder and action mapping		Yes	UN Network & SUN Civil Society Network
	- Distribution of stakeholders at sub-national level	–	N/A	–



## Finance for Nutrition


	INDICATOR		SCORE	SOURCE
1	Categorization of decentralized process and level of sub-national financing		Some spending at subnational level <sup>1</sup>	DI/MQSUN+ Review
2	Budget allocations at sub-national level		N/A	SUN Budget Analysis

<sup>1</sup> Decentralisation of activities and devolution of responsibilities have occurred, but there is still quite a centralised, one-party system.



## Interventions and Food Supply













































































	MEAL Indicator							
	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.6	3.7	3.8
	Vitamin A Supplements (child 6-59 mon)	Iodized Salt Availability	ORS and Zinc Treatment for U5 diarrhea	Deworming treatment (child 12-59 mon)	ITN use in children under 5	Vaccines (DTP3 in 1 yr olds)	Family Planning Met Needs	Population covered by social transfers
<b>MEAL Performance Classification</b>	<span style="color: red;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>	<span style="color: blue;">■</span>	<span style="color: red;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>	<span style="color: red;">■</span>
<b>National Average</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>72%</b>	<b>12%</b>
Vientiane Capital	45 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	96 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	28 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	21 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	84 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	15 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Phongsaly	13 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	100 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	11 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	7 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	92 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	36 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	91 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	9 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Luangnamtha	24 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	100 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	18 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	21 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	90 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	87 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	6 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Oudomxay	19 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	99 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	18 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	14 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	81 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	44 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	38 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Bokeo	31 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	97 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	14 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	20 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	47 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	87 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	13 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
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Huaphanh	35 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	99 <span style="color: green;">●</span>		24 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	91 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	15 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Xayabury	55 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	93 <span style="color: red;">●</span>		40 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	86 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	78 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	91 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	5 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Xiengkhuang	26 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	93 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	0 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	18 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	87 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	69 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	83 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	10 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Vientiane	26 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	97 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	11 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	14 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	91 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	76 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	77 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	20 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
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Kahmmuane	38 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	91 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	19 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	26 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	93 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	82 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	7 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Savannakhet	18 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	82 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	6 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	10 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	87 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	45 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	72 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	4 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
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**SDG Drivers of Nutrition**

	MEAL Indicator						
	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5	5.6	5.7
	Diarrhoea in children U5	Access to a basic drinking water service	Access to a basic sanitation service	Adolescent fertility (births per 1000 women 15–19 years)	Early marriage (before age 18)	Female secondary school attendance	Violent discipline (1-14 y)
<b>MEAL Performance Classification</b>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>	<span style="color: blue;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>	<span style="color: blue;">■</span>	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>	<span style="color: orange;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>
<b>National Average</b>	<b>6.5%</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>72%</b>
Vientiane Capital	4.1 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	100 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	98 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	26 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	14 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	64 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	66 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Phongsaly	13.6 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	83 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	53 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	105 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	42 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	37 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	83 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Luangnamtha	9.6 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	96 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	81 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	121 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	39 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	37 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	83 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Oudomxay	10.4 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	87 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	72 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	105 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	32 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	28 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	72 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Bokeo	10.0 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	63 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	113 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	37 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	34 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	63 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
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Xiengkhuang	8.7 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	94 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	88 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	105 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	36 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	39 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Vientiane	8.7 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	93 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	88 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	90 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	48 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	80 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
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Kahmmuane	4.2 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	75 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	71 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	30 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	38 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	78 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Savannakhet	8.1 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	72 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	56 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	69 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	32 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	30 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Saravane	3.4 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	71 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	103 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	23 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Sekong	10.2 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	80 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	97 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	38 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	25 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	71 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Champasack	3.4 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	92 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	72 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	53 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	28 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	32 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	75 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Attapeu	7.2 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	81 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	64 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	84 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	39 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	27 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	76 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Xaysomboune	11.0 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	75 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	75 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	138 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	50 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	46 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	83 <span style="color: red;">●</span>



## IYCF and Dietary Intake

	MEAL Indicator			
	6.1	6.2	6.3	6.4
	Exclusive breastfeeding (0-5 mon) †	Early initiation of breastfeeding †	Minimum Acceptable Diet (6-23 mon) †	Minimum Diet Diversity (6-23 mon) †
<b>MEAL Performance Classification</b>				
<b>National Average</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>36%</b>
Vientiane Capital	21 	44 	52 	61 
Phongsaly	48 	54 	28 	39 
Luangnamtha	65 	51 	31 	39 
Oudomxay	66 	45 	7 	16 
Bokeo	61 	69 	25 	32 
Lunagrabang	64 	77 	21 	33 
Huaphanh	59 	16 	19 	28 
Xayabury	63 	83 	43 	55 
Xiengkhuang	58 	67 	32 	44 
Vientiane	54 	44 	22 	31 
Borikhamxay	48 	39 	36 	42 
Kahmmuane	14 	33 	16 	20 
Savannakhet	17 	40 	25 	33 
Saravane	64 	80 	23 	37 
Sekong	56 	79 	11 	15 
Champasack	25 	30 	21 	28 
Attapeu	44 	55 	26 	32 
Xaysomboune	63 	21 	32 	46 

† UNICEF Global Databases, UNICEF Division of Data Research and Policy, New York, March 2019. [reanalysis of MICS 2017 data]



## Nutrition Status



## SDGs linked to Nutrition

	MEAL Indicator						
	7.1	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.5	8.1	8.2
	Stunting (children U5)	Low birthweight	Overweight (children U5)	Wasting (children U5)	Anemia among women of reproductive age	U5 Mortality Rate (per 1000 live births)	Early Child Development Index
<b>MEAL Performance Classification</b>	<span style="color: yellow;">■</span>	<span style="color: blue;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>	<span style="color: blue;">■</span>	<span style="color: red;">■</span>	<span style="color: blue;">■</span>	<span style="color: green;">■</span>
<b>National Average</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>3.5%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>89%</b>
Vientiane Capital	14 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	7 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	5.9 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	5.5 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	41 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	93 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Phongsaly	54 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	8 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	10.0 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	8.9 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	42 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	68 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	80 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Luangnamtha	34 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	4 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	1.8 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	3.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	37 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	42 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	74 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Oudomxay	43 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	10 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	1.7 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	6.2 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	25 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	71 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Bokeo	35 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	7 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	1.9 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	4.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	38 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	59 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	82 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Lunagprabang	41 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	8 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	6.5 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	8.9 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	28 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	45 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	90 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Huaphanh	41 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	14 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	4.1 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	16.4 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	25 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	44 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	98 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Xayabury	25 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	11 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	5.1 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	19.1 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	18 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	11 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	99 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Xiengkhuang	46 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	6 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	2.9 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	5.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	33 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	39 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	96 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Vientiane	33 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	9 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	2.4 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	6.6 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	36 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	43 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	85 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Borikhamxay	20 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	9 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	4.8 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	5.6 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	52 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	42 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	73 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Kahmmuane	20 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	12 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	2.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	9.8 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	62 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	63 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	88 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Savannakhet	28 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	12 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	2.2 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	10.4 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	48 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	38 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	95 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Saravane	43 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	12 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	2.7 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	12.5 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	50 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	54 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	92 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Sekong	50 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	15 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	2.2 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	8.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	26 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	79 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Champasack	25 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	10 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	3.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	9.0 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	46 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	45 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	90 <span style="color: red;">●</span>
Attapeu	30 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	16 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	2.4 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	15.0 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	49 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	59 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	87 <span style="color: green;">●</span>
Xaysomboune	44 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	8 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	1.6 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	5.8 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	35 <span style="color: green;">●</span>	51 <span style="color: red;">●</span>	86 <span style="color: green;">●</span>

## SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE BY PROVINCE

MEAL Domain	3	5	6	7	8	Overall Performance n, %	
Prefecture & Provinces	Interventions & Food Supply	SDG Drivers of Nutrition	IYCF	Nutrition Status	SDGs linked to Nutrition		
<b>Number of MEAL Indicators</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>100%</b>
Vientiane Capital	7	3	2	2	1	15	58%
Phongsaly	3	4	4	3	1	15	58%
Luangnamtha	6	6	4	1	0	17	65%
Oudomxay	4	4	1	2	1	12	46%
Bokeo	6	4	2	1	1	14	52%
Lunagprabang	2	2	2	2	1	9	35%
Huaphanh	7	4	1	4	1	17	68%
Xayabury	5	5	4	3	1	18	72%
Xiengkhuang	5	7	4	1	1	18	72%
Vientiane	6	7	1	1	0	15	58%
Borikhamxay	7	7	3	2	0	19	73%
Kahmmuane	6	1	0	3	1	11	42%
Savannakhet	2	1	0	3	1	7	27%
Saravane	4	2	3	4	2	15	58%
Sekong	3	4	2	2	0	11	42%
Champasack	2	2	0	3	1	8	31%
Attapeu	4	4	1	3	1	13	50%
Xaysomboune	3	6	3	1	1	14	54%

\*\*Colour classification for overall performance by province: ■ ≥60%; ■ 50-59%; ■ 40-49%; ■ <40% of indicators equal to or better than national average

### Notes

- Indicates equal or better performance compared to national average
- Indicates poorer performance compared to national average

### Data Sources

<sup>MICS</sup> Lao Statistics Bureau. 2018. Lao Social Indicator Survey II 2017, Survey Findings Report. Vientiane, Lao PDR: Lao Statistics Bureau and UNICEF.

† UNICEF Global Databases, UNICEF Division of Data Research and Policy, New York, March 2019. [reanalysis of MICS 2017 data]

# MEAL National Performance Colour Classification Legends

**TABLE 1 ENABLING ENVIRONMENT**

	Green	Blue	Yellow	Red
1.1 Sub-national MSP	Yes	–	–	No
1.2 Stakeholder Mapping	Yes	–	–	No

**TABLE 3 INTERVENTIONS**

	Green	Blue	Yellow	Red
3.1 Vit A supplementation	≥90%	80-89%	60-79%	<60%
3.2 Iodized salt	≥90%	75-89%	50-74%	<50%
3.3 ORS & Zinc	≥20%	10-19%	5-9%	<5%
3.4 Deworming	≥60%	40-59%	25-39%	<25%
3.5 ITN use by U5 children	≥55%	40-54%	20-39%	<20%
3.6 Vaccines (DTP3)	≥90%	80-89%	50-79%	<50%
3.7 Family planning	≥65%	50-64%	35-49%	<35%
3.8 Social protection	≥60%	40-59%	15-39%	<15%

**TABLE 5 SDG DRIVERS OF NUTRITION**

	Green	Blue	Yellow	Red
5.1 U5 diarrhea	0-11%	12-17%	18-24%	≥25%
5.2 Water	≥85%	70-84%	55-69%	<55%
5.3 Sanitation	≥60%	35-59%	20-34%	<20%
5.4 Adolescent fertility	<44	44-99	100-149	≥150
5.5 Early marriage	<20%	20-29%	30-39%	≥40%
5.6 Female school attend	≥65%	50-64%	30-49%	<30%
5.7 Child violent discipline	<75%	75-79%	80-84%	≥85%

**TABLE 6 IYCF AND DIETARY INTAKE**

	Green	Blue	Yellow	Red
6.1 Exclusive breastfeed	≥50%	35-49%	15-34%	<15%
6.2 Early BF initiation	≥65%	50-64%	25-49%	<25%
6.3 Min Acceptable Diet	≥40%	20-39%	10-19%	<10%
6.4 Min Diet Diversity	≥50%	25-49%	15-24%	<15%

**TABLE 7 NUTRITIONAL STATUS**

	Green	Blue	Yellow	Red
7.1 U5 stunting	<20%	20-29%	30-39%	≥40%
7.2 Low birthweight	<10%	10-14%	15-19%	≥20%
7.3 U5 overweight	<4%	4-6%	7-9%	≥10%
7.4 U5 wasting	<5%	5-9%	10-14%	≥15%
7.5 Anemia in WRA	<20%	20-29%	30-39%	≥40%

**TABLE 8 SDGS LINKED TO NUTRITION**

	Green	Blue	Yellow	Red
8.1 U5 mortality	0-39	40-69	70-99	≥100
8.2 Early child development	≥75%	65-74%	60-64%	<60%

Note: The colour-coded classification is based on performance relative to other SUN countries (assessed by the MEAL Baseline 2016) except when established cut-offs are available. The “green” colour indicates “good” performance, intervention coverage or nutrition status in relative terms. It does not represent that this target has been fully met.

A detailed description of the MEAL Framework of Results and Lists of Indicators, including definitions and data sources, is available at <http://bit.ly/sunmeal>

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