

Fill the Nutrient Gap Analysis: An introduction

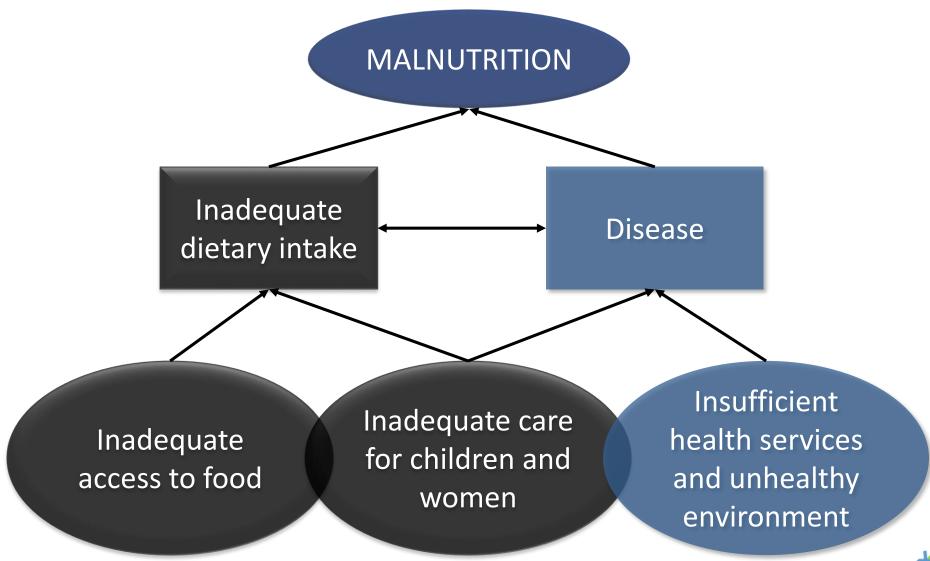
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Meeting nutrient requirements is a prerequisite for preventing malnutrition



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Good nutrition is about consuming 40 nutrients in different amounts from a wide variety of foods together with other key interventions



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Nutrition situation analysis framework and decision tool

Around the world



Primary Goals

- Strengthen nutrition situation analysis linked to decision-making
- Establish consensus on cost-effective policy and programmatic strategies to improve nutrition of key target groups adapted to the context



2 Components of the Analysis

Reviewing secondary data and sources of information

Linear programming on the Cost of the Diet

Life-cycle approach with a focus on:

Children <2 years

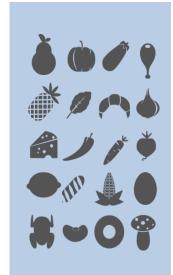
Pregnant and lactating women

Adolescent girls

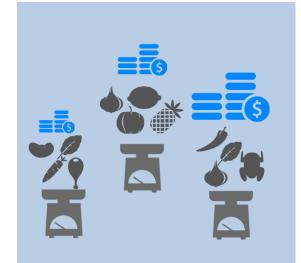
Key secondary data sources, Tanzania (150+)

Data category	Key data sources	Tanzania	UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZAN	TIA
Nutrition situation	DHS 2015/16, Micronutrients DHS 2010		PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE	TANZANIA National Fortification Assessment Coverage Tool (FACT) Survey in Tanzania, 2015
Policy and programmes	Food and Nutrition Policy Tanzania (draft, 2015); Tanzania National Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Action Plan 2016-2021		THE TANZANIA NATIONAL MULTI-SECTORAL NUTRITION ACTION PLAN (NMNA JULY 2016 - JUNE 2021 From Evidence to Policy to Activ	Maite Flour Wheat Flour Oil Salt
Access and availability of nutritious foods	CFSVA (2012); Livelihood Z (2010); AgriDiet working p	•	Tanzania	Comprehensive Food Security and Vulnicability Analysis Tanzania 2012
Nutrient intake	Measuring Access to Food Food Basket Approach (20 Bora Baseline Household S	15); Maisha	Demographic and Health Survey and Malaria Indicator Survey Micronutrients:	
Local practices	Ethnicity and Child Health Tanzania (2014); Affordable Foods for Women Baseline Survey (2016); ASTUTE For Research Presentation (20	le Nutritious e Household rmative	Results of the 2010 Tanzania Demographic and Health Survey	The Policy Environment for Linking Agriculture and Nutrition in Tanzania Agriblet Working Paper 1 Professor Joyce Kinabo July 2014
Optimisation and Cost of the Diet	Tanzania Mainland Housel Survey 2011/12; Zanzibar Budget Survey 2014/15	•		FORMATIVE RESEARCH PRESENTATION

Linear optimization (Cost of the Diet, developed by SC-UK) determines the least expensive nutritious diet using locally available foods



Locally available food items



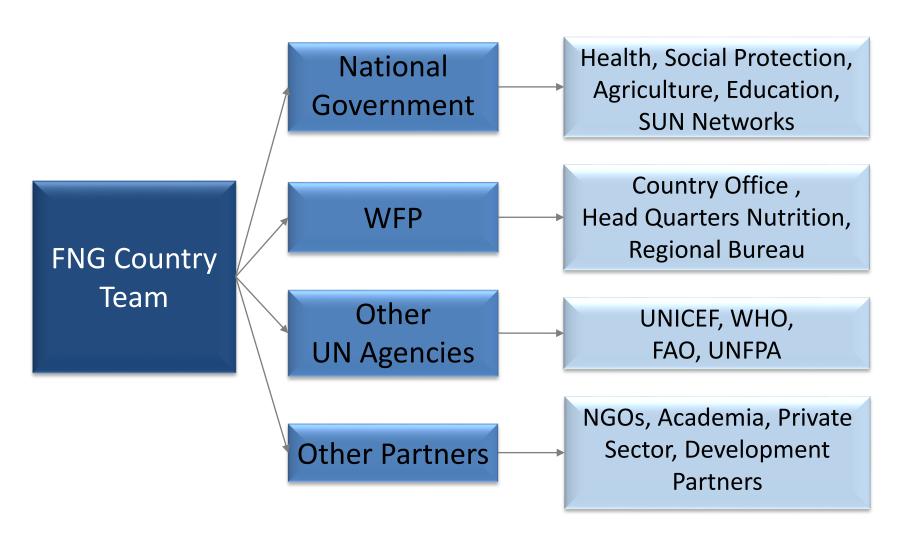
Possible diets meeting all nutrient requirements of the household



Least expensive nutritious diet

Least expensive nutritious diet adjusted to include two servings of preferred staple per day (SNUT)

Multiple stakeholders, from several sectors, engage in the process



How have FNG results been used in Pilot Countries

El Salvador

To redesign government social protection policies

Ghana

To lead to active engagement of stakeholders across sectors on nutrition strategies

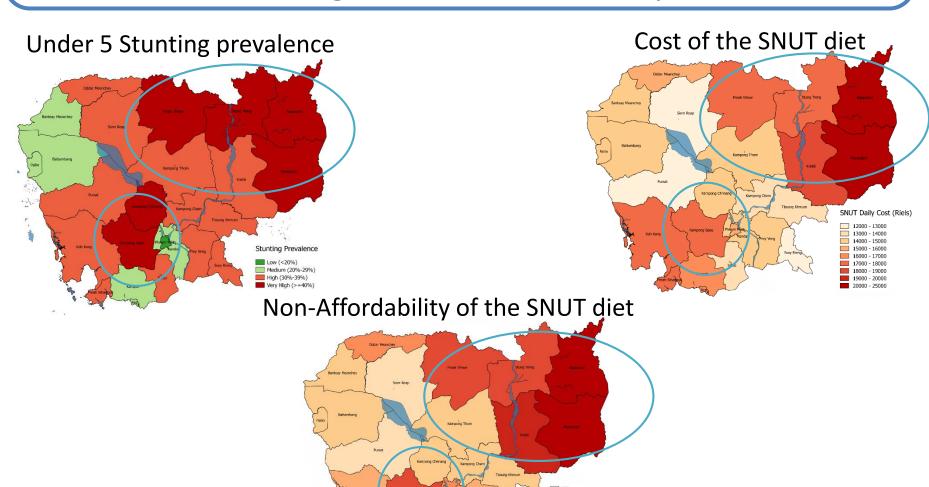
Madagascar

To design new national nutrition policy and action plan

FNG also informed WFP's strategic planning processes (Zero Hunger Strategic Reviews and Country Strategic Plans)

Best moment: When national policies are being revised & country strategies are being designed

Mountain and Plateau regions have high stunting **and** expensive cost of the diet **and** high non-affordability...



Source: DHS, 2014 and Cost of the Diet Analysis

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Nutrition Specific & Sensitive packages to be considered, based on CotD modelling proposed by stakeholders

Interventions for general population

Interventions for specific target groups

Increased income for the poorest

Examples of key recommendations

Social Protection

Increase the social safety net's (SSN) transfer value to improve household purchasing power to improve access to a nutritious diet and explore expanding the population eligible for SSN support (Ghana, El Salvador, Indonesia)

Include fortified infant cereal (20 g/d) to complement the diet of children aged 6-23 months, in the form of a commodity specific evoucher (Indonesia, El Salvador)

Ensure nutrition education is integrated with the package of services provided to SSN beneficiaries (*several countries*)

Add a conditionality to the SSN transfer for pregnant and lactating women and children under-two (e.g. antenatal care attendance, attendance to child health days) (several countries)

Examples of key recommendations

Food Value Chain

Improve supply chain, including cold storage, of fresh foods (vegetables, fruits, animal source foods) (*Ghana*)

Harmonize **regulatory framework related to staple food fortification** between national and provincial level (*Pakistan*)

Expand and strengthen existing (public-)private sector initiatives to increase availability and affordability of fortified complementary foods in markets (Madagascar, Ghana, Pakistan)

Develop and implement standards and regulations for manufacturing and marketing of fortified complementary foods and snacks (Ghana, Pakistan)

SISN's Classification Scheme of Implementation Research

	Commitment, Support, Financing and Sustainability			
Objects of Implementation	Initiation and Scoping	Planning and Design	Implementation, Iterative Improvement and Scaling Up	
Nutrition-specific interventions	X	X		
Nutrition-sensitive actions	X	X		
Operationalizing a national multisectoral nutrition agenda	X	X		
NGO projects (typically sub-national)				
Implementation Innovations	•		•	

Thank you!

