

Monitoring and Evaluation & Research

Meeting Schedule

Meeting	Date
1st Meeting	16-10-2018
2nd Meeting	09-01-2019
3rd Meeting	20-03-2019
4th Meeting	19-05- 2019
5th Meeting	04-12-2019
6th Meeting	24-02-2020

Platform Objectives:

- **To implement National Plan of Action, formation of monitoring framework, revision/ Implementation of monitoring plan and producing Reports.**
- **National Nutrition information database and update, selection of the research areas in nutrition field, and providing assistance to the council in conducting research.**
- **To improve the nutrition status of the nation and overall improve,ent of nutrition, recommendation should be given to the council in light of monitoring and evaluation.**
- **To assist in formulating next plan of action in light of monitoring and evaluation.**
- **To carry out the responsibilities provided by the National Nutrition council.**
- **If deemed necessary, not more than 3 specialist in nutrition field can be co-opted in the committee.**
- **The committee should meet once in two months. Presence of at least 1/3 of the members of the committee will be needed to fill the corum.**

Activities till date:

- **Monitoring Report of 2016-17 and 2017-18 has been published, □ Second Annual Monitoring Report 2018-19 is under progress.**
- **Public Expenditure review for Nutrition has been published in assistance with Ministry of Finance**
- **Reviewed and analyzed gaps in existing M&E and reporting systems of relevant key sectors**
- **Mapping of M&E activities of different stakeholders done, and sectoral partners sensitized on nutrition M&E**
- **Monitoring Framework and Guidance document of integrating priority nutrition indicators developed**
- **BNNC website is developed. Link: bnnc.portal.gov.bd**
- **Developed Bangladesh nutrition profile for all 64 districts based on secondary information. Link: www.nutritionprofile.org**
- **25 priority indicators identified among 64 indicators described in NPAN2 and related nutrition sensitive and specific interventions have been developed aligning with sectoral work plans and related DLIs**
- **Developed online monitoring tools for assessing the functionality of DNCCs and UNCCs**
- **Developed BNNC dashboard for decision makers and uploaded into BNNC website. Link: <http://bnnc-dashboard.greatsoftbd.com/> (prototype)**
- **Development of Financial budget tracking for nutrition in progress in assistance with SUN secretariat**

- **Development of Research Strategy in assistance with SUN academia Network.**
- **Journal Club has been established and Nutrition research repository has been [proposed.**
- **Research gap for Nutrition in Bangladesh has been conducted.**
- **Piloting of the district Nutrition Plan for 5 districts, namely Bhola, Kurigram, Sunamganj, Moulavibajar, Bandarban.**
- **Development of Minimum Nutrition package for making District Nutrition Plan.**
- **Review of the sectoral annual Plan for Nutrition that has been incorporated in Annual Monitoring Report 2018-19.**
- **Development of District Nutrition Plan of Sunamganj and Rangpur District with budget.**

Activities yet to be done:

- **Proposed interoperable nutrition information system has been proposed and under process.**
- **To observe and visually monitor of the progress of NPAN2, a dash board is being prepared and will be merged with the main website.
Link:<http://bnncdashboard.greatsoftbd.com/>**
- **Development of Financial budget tracking for nutrition in progress in assistance with SUN secretariat**
- **As part of the nutrition governance, monitoring of each district work plan and their indicators will be established.**
- **Arranging the central and divisional level workshop in order to sensitize the monitoring system and capacitate the DNCC and UNCC to execute the district nutrition Plan.**

- **To include the missing issues such as, gender, equity, climate change and its effect will be included in the next monitoring report.**
- **To address the immediate need of the post covid-19 situation, a policy brief will be prepared for the policy makers as recommendation for new policy and programs.**
- **To establish a Journal Club in order to facilitate and increase the knowledge of the officials.**

Challenges:

- **In many a times, it is difficult to get all the members of the platform committee that would expedite the functionality of the platform.**
- **Financial restrains to arrange the platform meetings.**
- **Lack of necessary logistics, communication and human resource.**
- **Lack of specialist, such as IT specialist, graphics designer that is creating hindrance in preparing reports and other IT related activities.**
- **Lack financial availability, a number of scheduled activities become obstructed.**