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I am very glad to know that, National Nutrition Services (NNS) is going to publish it's 17th issue of newsletter. This newsletter shows the reflection of NNS activities under its various components like current events, programs, workshops, meetings etc.

Under the Fourth Sector Program HPNSP (2017-2022) National Nutrition Service (NNS) is playing an important role in order to deliver nutrition services to the doorsteps of the people and to achieve nutritional progress in all upazilas across the country through the mainstreaming with Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) and Directorate General of Family Planning (DGHP) activities.

To improve the nutritional status of all citizens of Bangladesh throughout the life cycle is one of the major objective of National Nutrition Services (NNS) and it has both nutrition specific and nutrition-sensitive components which is specially focused on the SDG (Sustainable Development Goal). In this 17th issue we covered the 'World Breastfeeding week 2019' ceremony and pleased to get our honorable minister of Health and Family Welfare Ministry of Bangladesh, Zahid Maleque MP as chief guest at 'World Breastfeeding week 2019' inaugural ceremony to make the event colorful. This year, the National Nutrition Service has played a significant role for achieving DLR-13 & 14 and after fulfill the DLI 13 & 14 target now our aim to ensure the good quality for all services.

I appreciate efforts of NIPU member and UNICEF for regular contribution on publishing this newsletter successfully. I express my sincere thanks to the entire team of NNS for their support and contribution to publishing this newsletter.

Noted, this edition covers events, programs and services that took place July 2019 to September 2019. Expecting for the next issue in time with inventive contents.

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Celebration of World Breastfeeding Week (WBW) -2019

The following are the activities of World Breastfeeding week 01-07 August 2019

Inauguration ceremony



Inaugural ceremony of WBW'19

A colorful & glorious inaugural ceremony for the 'World Breastfeeding week 2019' took place at the auditorium of Bangabandhu International Conference Center at Agargaon, Dhaka on August 6, 2019. A total of almost 2500 participants from different national & international organizations and higher officials from the government participated in the ceremony which started at 10.00 am. The honorable Minister, Mr. Zahid Maleque MP, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare was present as chief guest in the ceremony while Mr. Shaikh Yusuf Harun; Secretary, Health Education and Family Welfare Division

presided over the session. Mr. Zahid Maleque stated in his inaugural speech, "While pregnant mothers receive prenatal leave, mothers who are still pregnant during pregnancy are deprived of the full support of their husbands. For this reason, an arrangement; paternity leave will be made for the father".



Crest giving ceremony in WBW'19

Crest Giving ceremony

This year in WBW, 2019 National Nutrition Services (NNS), Institute of Public Health Nutrition (IPHN) & Bangladesh Breastfeeding Foundation (BBF) had jointly decided to honor all those organization and institute with an award for their contribution in promotion and protection of Breastfeeding.

Total 49 award was decided, among them seven (7) ministries, few government organization, government medical college, privet hospitals, National and International NGO were selected. Like - DGFP, Community Based Health Care, National Nutrition Services, Institute of Public Health Nutrition.



Dr. SM Mustafizur Rahman, Line Director, NNS

Following activities were done to Celebrate the World Breastfeeding Week – 2019



Dr. SM Mustafizur Rahman, Line Director, NNS

Stakeholders Meeting

The Stakeholders Meeting on World Breastfeeding Week, 2019 was held on 3th July, 2019 at 10:30am in the IPHN Conference room. Dr. SM Mustafizur Rahman, Line Director, NNS, was present as the chief guest at the meeting. Dr. Md. Khalilur Rahman, Director, IPHN presided over the meeting. Main contents presented by Dr. SK Roy, Chairperson, BOT and Executive Director, BBF, and Dr. Fatima Akhter, Deputy Program Manager, NNS, presented the keynote and purpose of the World Breastfeeding Week 2019.

IEC Material Development

On 16th & 27th July and 01st August, a list of IEC materials, a range of information materials were developed to assist WBW celebrations throughout Bangladesh. Following information materials have been produced on the occasion WBW'2019. Series of meeting were carried out with IPHN & MOHFW to finalize these IEC materials and finally were approved by the IEC Technical Committee of MOHFW – poster, action folder, information leaflet, file folder, banner, mobile SMS, theme song, and documentary etc.

Essay Competition

As a part of the celebration of World Breastfeeding Week, 2019, an Essay Competition was organized for the students of class VI to Class X. Two groups were formed as Group K (Class 6 to Class 8) and Group L (Class 9 to Class 10). The topic of the essay competition for group was: ক "মা-বাবার ক্ষমতায়নই পারে বুদ্ধিমান প্রজন্মের জন্য মায়ের দুধ ও ঘরে তৈরি খাবার নিশ্চিত করতে" and for group খ "গুড়া দুধ ও কৃত্রিম খাবার বর্জনে মা-বাবার সচেতনতা".

Other activities were:

- Art Competition on WBW 2018
- Newspaper Advertisement
- Mobile phone message on the theme
- Exhibition on mother & child health nutrition
- Launching ceremony of E-learning Apps "মা ও ি শিশু পুর্টি
- Theme song: unwrapping the CD of theme song and LED Show:
- WBW '19 Celebration at Divisional Director Health office and Civil Surgeon Office & UHC & CC.
- WBW '19 Celebration at Medical College Hospital & by other Stake holders.
- Celebrations at Govt & Private hospitals.



Rally on WBW in Nilphamari Civil Surgeon Office

Update on Maternal Nutrition Activities of National Nutrition Services (NNS)



Maternal Nutrition Activities

Current activities on maternal nutrition:

- 1. Development of job aid and poster on maternal nutrition.
- 2. Printing of job aid and poster.
- 3. Awareness creation on maternal nutrition at community level.

32000 women in 1600 batches (pregnant women, lactating women, mothers in law, adolescent girls) in 2017-2018 & 30900 women in 1545 batches in 2018-2019 were trained. Participants were gathered at community clinic or EPI outreach center or court-yard side. Resource persons are Community Health Care Provider (CHCP)/ Community Leader/ members of Community Group (CG)/ Community Support Group (CSG)/ Mother Support Group (MSG) and representative from BBF.

Talking points are:

- a) Ante-natal check-up (ANC),
- b) Post-natal check-up (PNC),
- c) Nutrition Counseling
- d) Other advices.

Services are provided at nearest community clinic, Family Welfare Centre (FWC), Upazila Health Complex as early as pregnancy is detected. ANC: At least four (4) ANC should be taken. At first registration of pregnant women is done after that B.P./blood sugar, anaemia, are checked weight is measured and checking for any other illness.

IFA (at least 30 tablets) and Calcium (Ca) are providing to pregnant women.

They also provide nutrition counseling like balance diet, protein rich food, vegetables/ fruits etc.

Other advices like rest- two hours(2) at noon, 7-8 hour at night, avoid hard working, other family members support to pregnant women.

Early detection of any danger sign reduce both morbidity and mortality.

PNC: At least four Post Natal Care (PNC) should be taken. B. P, anaemia, any sign of PPH (Post Pertum Haemorraghe) are checked. IFA and Calcium (Ca) are giving to lactating women. Cap vit-A 2 Lac iu at 6 weeks, checking of any danger sign of baby, Also provide nutrition counseling-as ANC, on breastfeeding—colostrum, EIB (within 1 hour, EBF-up-to six (6) months, Immunization for baby. All the talking points are discussed clearly and pretest/post-test done by viva-voice. Job-Aid and poster are supplied to them so that they can discussed also at home.

Service Quality Assessment for Maternal, Infant and Child Nutrition Services

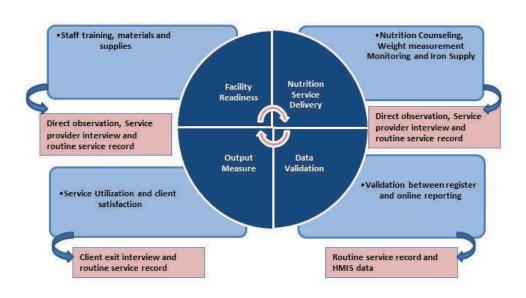
With an aim to assess the quality of services delivery related to nutrition Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLI-13 & 14) in Sylhet and Chattogram divisions a survey was conducted from 18th to 30th September, 2019. The nutrition DLIs are focused on maternal and child nutrition services which are result base mechanism tied with disbursement and getting support from Health Sector Support Program (HSSP) under 4th HPNSP. Percentages of registered pregnant women, infant and child receiving specified nutrition services are increasing significantly under the program but now the question of quality comes ahead. NNS planned to conduct the service quality assessment of nutrition service both for pregnant mother, infant and child as required by the disbursement linked result 13.3 and 14.3. Beside the routine monitoring system this assessment is going to complement routine monitoring to assess quality of services delivered related to nutrition DLI in Sylhet and Chattogram divisions.

Specific objectives:

i.To assess quality of nutrition services for pregnant women, i.e. provision of IFA supplementation, weight monitoring, and nutrition counselling.

ii. To assess quality of nutrition services for children (0-23 months old), i.e. age specific counselling on exclusive breastfeeding, and complementary feeding iii. To identity bottlenecks/challenges of effective delivery of quality nutrition services.

The assessment was a mixed method approach which includes data collection for facility assessment, health service provider survey, case observation, client interview at facilities, supervisor's perspective and data quality validation. Though the primary focus were Disbursement Linked Indicator and it was done as per the requirement of disbursement linked results but results after analysis can generate way forward and ideas to address the improve quality of nutrition services and this concept can generate idea of institutionalization of routine quality assessment of all relevant service delivery by NNS as well.



Methodology Was Followed To Conduct The Assessment

Service Quality Assessment for Maternal, Infant and Child Nutrition Services



Advocacy for implementation



Registration of pregnant women and child



Weight measurement at CC



Data Collection at CC

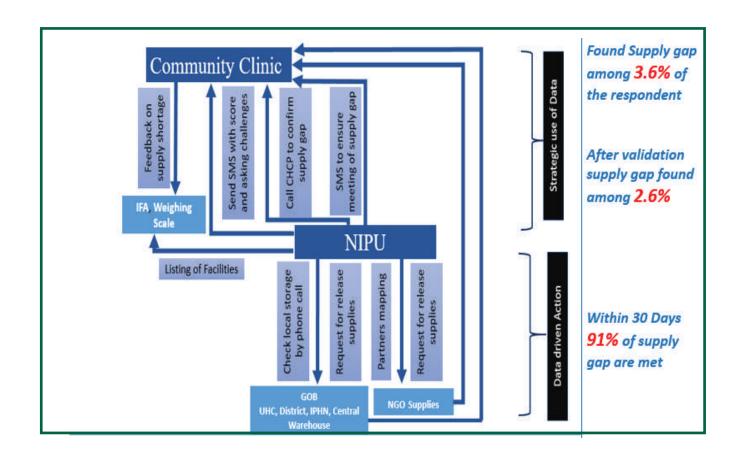


Iron supplementation at CC

Bridging The Gap: Use Of Accessible Technology

Working in the rural community and providing health and nutrition services to the marginal individuals is always a challenge specially when we are in a developing country with limited resources, frail communication systems and overlong administrative process. It is then quite impossible to meet the demand of services and to ensure basic nutrition services. Nutrition Information Planning Unit (NIPU) of National Nutritional Services (NNS) is trying to address the issue with innovative and operative approach. Use of technology to generate the data, converting the data into piece of information that define the supply gap, dissemination to the proper authority and linking with system and accelerating the process to reach logistics at end user are the strategic area of working in this amazing story.

Rapid pro is the platform that are being used by the team to assess the real time supply gap and simple SMS technology are being used in pathway of data transmission. The team worked in the central level initially to assess the supply gap, then analyzing the captured data and to verify and validate the data by alternative phone follow up. Valid and immediate response were categorized and planned to address. Simultaneously stock analysis were done at central level to assess the feasibility of meeting the supply gap. Multiple opportunities were also explored such as looking for the feasibility to meet the gap locally, engagement of development partner working locally and regular supply process also. After analyzing all the possible strategy the most feasible process was expedite. Within one month the team abled to meet 91%.



Comprehensive Competency Training on Nutrition: Phase-2 Planning

Planning of CCTN: 2nd Phase: 2019-20

• Implementing period : November, 2019 to March, 2020

• Training Roll out : 1st November, 2019

Implementing Organization : NNS, IPHN
 Funded by : GoB & UNICEF

• Selected no. of districts : 12

• Name of Districts : Chattogram, Chandpur, Rangamati, Khagrachari,

Manikganj, Gopalganj, Barisal, Jamalpur, Rajshahi,

Kurigram, Khulna, Sylhet.

No. of upazila : 109
 No. of district trainers : 28
 Target participants : 15511





CCTN Sensitization meeting 2019

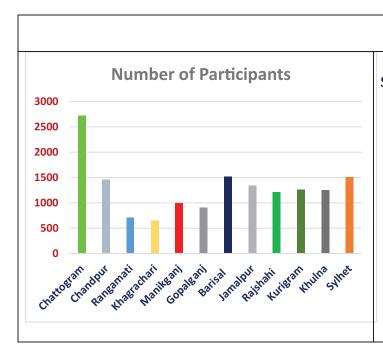
CCTN Phase-1, during the training session

Target for Phase 1

| Name of District | Number of Upazila | Number of Participants | Number of Batch Module 1 | |
|------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Chattogram | 15 | 2722 | 91 | |
| Chandpur | 8 | 1457 | 49 | |
| Rangamati | 10 | 704 | 23 | |
| Khagrachari | 8 | 647 | 22 | |
| Manikganj | 7 | 995 | 33 | |
| Gopalganj | 5 | 906 | 30 | |
| Barisal | 10 | 1514 | 50 | |
| Jamalpur | 7 | 1341 | 45 | |
| Rajshahi | 9 | 1208 | 40 | |
| Kurigram | 9 | 1261 | 42 | |
| Khulna | 9 | 1246 | 42 | |
| Sylhet | 12 | 1510 | 50 | |
| Total | 109 | 15511 | 518 | |

CCTN Phase-1

Target for Phase 1



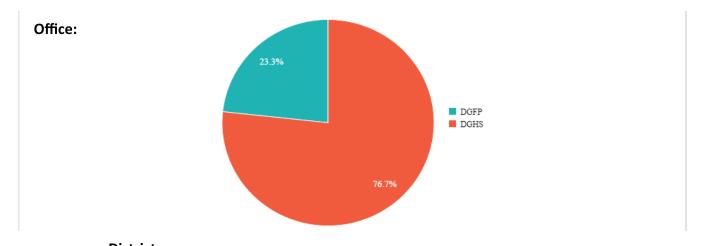
SSMM 1st Quarter July-September, 2019:

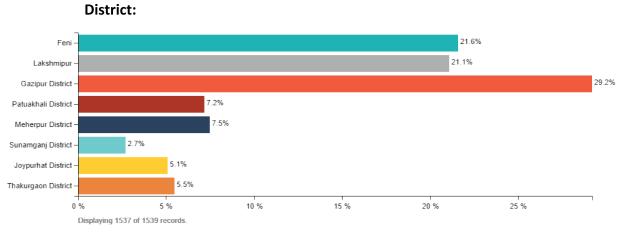
Total Visits: 1539

Total Contributors: 457

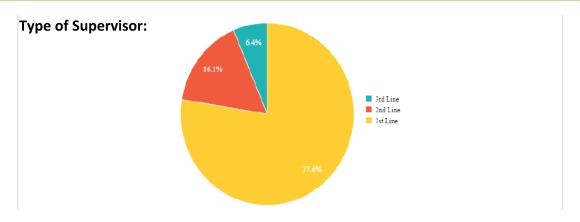
DGHS: 76.7% DGFP: 23.3%

1st Line Supervisor: 1192 2nd Line Supervisor: 247 3rd Line Supervisor: 98

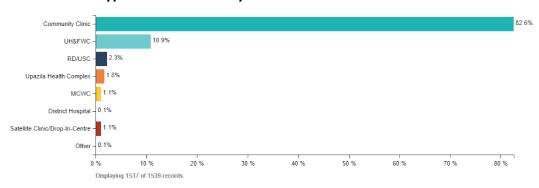




CCTN Phase-1



Type of Health Facility:





CCTN Phase-1, during the training session

Development of Age and Disease Specific Dietary Guidelines 2019



Stakeholder Meeting for Reviewing, Sharing and Finalization of the Dietary Guideline for validation

Faulty dietary practices causes many food related problems; under nutrition on one hand and overweight and obesity along with along with chronic diseases such as diabetes, kidney disease and heart diseases on the other. Changes in life styles and food systems in recent years are hindering more and more people form eating a healthy diet. Earlier a Dietary Guideline was developed for Bangladesh by Bangladesh Institute of Research and Rehabilitation in Diabetes, Endocrine and Metabolic Disorders

(BIRDEM) funded by FAO, USAID and EU, which mainly focused on the food based dietary guideline for the Adult population. WHO and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) preliminary drafted a dietary guideline based on age and major chronic diseases which has now been reviewed and updated.

An Nutrition Expert from BIRDEM, Medical Professionals and Dietitians were engaged to update the Age and Disease specific dietary guidelines. Technical working group meetings and stakeholder validation meeting have been conducted

Divisional Level Orientation Workshop on BMS Act Monitoring Tools and Implementation Plan

National Nutrition Services, Institute of Public Health Nutrition with technical support by WHO has completed eight (8) Divisional Level Orientation workshops on BMS act monitoring tools and implementation plan through linkage with WHO Netcode monitoring tools. NetCode is the Network for Global Monitoring and Support for Implementation of the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes and Subsequent Relevant World Health Assembly Resolutions. The WHO-UNICEF protocol for NetCode has offered an opportunity for a structured monitoring system for ongoing



National Level Meeting

Divisional Level Orientation Workshop on BMS Act Monitoring Tools and Implementation Plan

reporting of violations of national law for the drive of immediate action; and in-depth surveys to identify bottlenecks and map progress of Code implementation. IPHN has developed the monitoring tools through linkage with NetCode and implementation plan that will help to detect violations of the national measures and Code, to document properly and report violations. The aim of the workshop were to orient all the stakeholders about a sustainable monitoring system of breast milk substitute, infant food, commercially produced complementary food and their accessories thereof by applying the BMS law 2013 and its Rules 2017. Monitoring implementation plan and checklists were shared with all the participants.

On 27th October, 2019 Dhaka divisional director health arranged a workshop in his office on All civil surgeons of Dhaka division,

divisional director (Family Planning), deputy director (family planning), representatives from Bangladesh food safety authority, BSTI, police, pediatricians, obstetricians, nursing supervisor, health officer of city corporations, consumers' rights protection, WHO, BBF and other concern stakeholders participated in the workshop. There were two presentations: Dr Md. Khalilur Rahman, Director, IPHN presented the BMS law and its Rules and Dr Md. Abdul Alim, DPM, NNS, IPHN presented the monitoring system and implementation plan of BMS law & its Rule 2017 in the workshops.

Dr. S M Mustafizur Rahman, Line Director, NNS, IPHN delivered his valuable speech as a special guest. Mr Selim Reza, additional divisional commissioner delivered his inspiring speech in the workshop. Participants actively and lively discussed on the issue.



Divisional Orientation Workshop on BMS Product

Adolescents can be change agents for safe and nutritious food consumption and WASH behaviors



School-going adolescents program

Adolescents (10-19 years old) can be influential and positive "change agents" to increase consumption of safe and nutritious food and improved WASH behaviours. To empower adolescents to take on this role, the Feed the Future Bangladesh Nutrition Activity project worked to improve adolescents' nutrition and WASH-related knowledge and skills and strengthen adolescent champions for these behaviors in their schools, families and community. In collaboration with the Shornokishoree Network Foundation (SKNF), the Activity worked with youth clubs in 10 high schools in Faridpur in September 2019 and observed International Handwashing Day in four upazilas of Cox's Bazar by teaching school-going adolescents' to wash hands safely while conserving water. By the end of September 2019, the Activity had trained 295 club members on the importance of adolescent nutrition and health, proper handwashing, hygienic latrine usage and

maintenance, menstrual hygiene management, and leadership skills. These new nutrition champions hosted a learning session in September attended by 5,160 students (2,374 girls and 2,786 boys) and 260 adults, including teachers and School Management Committee members. The adolescent champions developed a timeline for sharing this information at their next club meetings, and spreading these messages to their classes, families and community. As change agents, these champions will lead doable actions, such as organizing dramas on the importance of nutritious food, mini cooking contests, debate competition and other extra-curricular activities to motivate their communities. The champions will also lead and facilitate dialogue with parents, teachers and local leaders to adopt and scale up improvement of nutrition and WASH behaviors.

Development of e-Learning course on NUTRITION



Workshop on NUTRITION e-learning course

With guidance of NNS, IPHN, USAID Ujjiban SBCC project contributed information, evidence & example to NNS, as a result the SBCC activities drawn special attention in the NNS Work plan 2019-20.

Number of SBCC activities such as SBCC related campaign with activities have been proposed in the work plan with adequate budget. Under the leadership of NNS, IPHN, Ujjiban project has taken initiative to develop **NUTRITION** e-learning course, number of advocacy, IPC and communication were done with LD, PMs and DPMs to formulate the 1st draft. Workshop was also done with relevant stakeholders and it is in the process of finalization. Due to development of e-learning course on NUTRITION, the HPN field workers will get more updated and government approved nutrition related information in a systematic way.

Developed Letter of Collaboration (LoC) on NUTRITION between BNNC & Ujjiban project

As per valuable suggestion of NNS, IPHN, USAID Ujjiban SBCC project organized advocacy and IPC with Bangladesh National Nutrition Council (BNNC), and as a result a LOC has been developed and signed towards coordinated activities on nutrition of BNNC & Ujjiban. It has been proposed in the LOC that SBCC becomes major program focus for nutrition that requires appropriate planning and implementation of different SBCC approaches with close collaboration of BNNC and USAID Ujjiban project. The LOC has been signed by Dr. Md. Shah Nawaz, Director General of BNNC & Mr. Patrick Lee Coleman, Chief of Party, USAID Ujjiban SBCC project. It has also been proposed that Coordination remains as an effective approach for bringing other units of the MoHFW work for nutrition as a mainstreaming health issue. BNNC and Ujjiban will work together to maximize the use of these coordination forums for mainstreaming nutrition.



Under the direct guidance of Line Director, NNS CAT analysis have been done with involvement of all PMs & DPMs of NNS. It has been observed that much progress is seen in all category in compare with previous years. Workshop on CAT findings has also been completed. The Capacity Strengthening (CS) plan of NNS has also been developed and LD, PM-1 & DPM (SBCC) signed the CS plan intending to improve the capacity strengthen of NNS based on gap identified in the CAT analysis.

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On 29th May (Wednesday) 2019, National Nutrition Services (NNS), Institute of Public Health Nutrition had organized a workshop to prepare dietary guideline for the elderly people with the titled "Workshop on Development for the Strategy, Dietary Guideline and Module of Geriatric Nutrition" at IPHN conference room. 21 % of the elderly cannot eat three times a day, while the family is cooked but 89% of the elderly are not allowed to eat meat, said special representatives. Experts say that to make elderly comfortable and respectful, families and societies need to be humane. At the keynote address, Rabia Sultana, the foreign director of the international organization HelpAge International, said that 45% of people aged 60 and over were 45 % poor and 24% very poor. 27% of the elderly have difficulty eating due to lack of teeth. In another presentation, medical officer of the health department Mostafa Moinuddin said the number of elderly people in the country is increasing rapidly. If the current trend continued to increase from 60 million in 2011 to 1.3 million in 2011, that number would exceed 4 million by 2050. Most of the participants were agreed and said that there is no assurance that their parents will get food and nutrition if their children are financially viable. Elderly people suffer from multiple diseases at the same time. Among them, hypertension is at higher risk for non-communicable diseases, including diabetes cancer. Many people have mental disorders that require specialist knowledge in managing the health of the elderly. Appreciating the steps taken by the government regarding the elderly people, Professor Atiqur Rahman of the Institute of Social Welfare and Research, Dhaka University said that 24-hour health care and assurance are needed for the elderly people.

And need personal freedom and companionship with peers. Associate Professor of Public Health at Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujib Medical University, Faria Hossain, said there is a shortage of knowledge and information on the elderly population. That's why research is needed. Taking part in the discussion, Senior Director of ICDDRB Nutrition Department of Bangladesh, International Tropical Research Center, Professor Tahmid Ahmed, said that one of the major problems of the elderly population is that they get hurt by falling. This is because the muscle is weak. There are many misconceptions about feeding the elderly. Among others, Prof. Dr. M. Igbal Arslan, Ex. Chairman of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology BSMMU and Formar Dean, Basic Science & Paraclinical Science BSMMU, Shah Nawaz, Director General of National Nutrition Council, Md. Khalilur Rahman, Director of Public Health Nutrition Institute. End of the meeting Dr. S M Mostafizur Rahman, Line Director, NNS had given special thanks to all participants for their valuable advice.

The Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh is implementing the National Nutrition Plan 2016-2025 following the objectives of national nutrition policy 2015. For grounding the National Nutrition plan with multi-sectoral involvement, the Nutrition Coordination Committee has been constituted in all district and upazila level, To operationalize these nutrition committees an operational guideline also has been developed by BNNC, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

To establish Sunamganj as a district model on multisectoral approach to nutrition, Collective Impact for Nutrition (CI4N), CARE Bangladesh, is intensively working with the Government's different sectors, local governments, media and other CSAs. With the close collaboration of Bangladesh National Nutrition Council, the project organized a two days long orientation session on operational guideline for district and one day long for sub-district nutrition coordination committee members. The objective of the orientation session was to orient the guideline and deep dive the understanding of nutrition committee's members in to their roles and responsibilities in the committees. All members of District Nutrition Coordination Committee (DNCC) and all Member Secretary of sub-district Nutrition Coordination Committees, total 25 participants received this orientation at District level. During the orientation session, the Assistant Director of Bangladesh National Nutrition Council, Deputy

Commissioner, DNCC President, and Civil Surgeon, DNCC Member Secretary played as a role of resource persons.

Cohesive planning is needed to improve nutritional status



Mr. Mohammad Abdul Ahad, District Commissioner of Sunamganj and President, District Nutrition Coordination Committee, is announcing the inauguration of the orientation session of the Operational Guideline.

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The orientation was detail as with the topics listed below:

- a) Role and importance of Nutrition Specific and Sensitive interventions
- b) National Nutrition policy 2015, National Nutrition Action plan & Nutrition related indicators

- c) Introduction of operational guideline on district and sub-district nutrition coordination committee
- d) Understanding role and responsibilities of each and every member of DNCC.
- e) Importance of developing annual nutrition action plan for committee and development of draft annual nutrition action plan with presentation and open discussion
- f) Monitoring and evaluation and introduction of different tools and
- g) Preparation of draft orientation plan on operational guideline for all sub-district.

Mr. Mohammad Abdul Ahad, District Commissioner, stated that, "the action to improve nutrition need to be taken based on the local context and requirement of Sunamganj. The District and Upazila Nutrition Coordination Committee should work soberly to expedite the nutrition activities in this district and to support implement the National

Nutrition Plan. District Nutrition Coordination Committee will formulate a plan and cooperate, collaborate each other to implement". He hopes that after the training, the committee members will further enhance their ability to implement multi-sectoral nutrition programmes. Civil surgeon Dr. Ashutosh Das also emphasized on importance of working together.

Following this orientation, subsequently operational guideline orientation at sub-district level has taken place to orient all sub-district Nutrition Coordination Committee's members. Chairman, Upazila parished (Advisor of UNCC), Upazila Nirbahi Officer (President of UNCC) and Upazila Health & Family Planning officer (Member secretary of UNCC), Union Chairman, representatives of different sectors were the key participants of this orientation session.

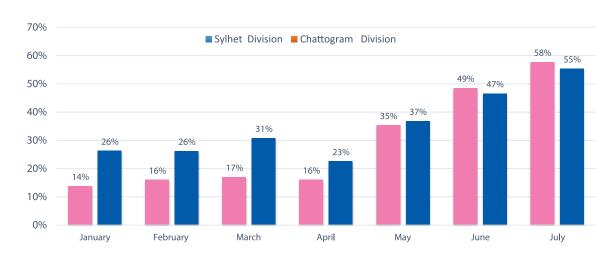
Bangladesh is in transitional phase for nutrition, where nutrition coordination committees will play an important role for leveraging multisectoral effort and improve nutrition which will ultimately bring healthy growth and development for nation.

Progress of DLRs 13.4 and 14.4 Calendar Year 2018 and 2019

DLR 13.4 and DLR 14.4 in Sylhet and Chattogram Divisions Period: CY 2018 (January-December) and 2019 (January-July)

| | Sylhet | | Chattogram | | Both Divisions | |
|----------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| | CY 2018 (Jan-Dec) | 2019 (Jan-July) | CY 2018 (Jan-Dec) | 2019 (Jan-July) | CY 2018 (Jan-Dec) | 2019 (Jan-July) |
| DLR 13.4 | 29% | 39% | 28% | 37% | 29% | 37% |
| DLR 14.4 | 22% | 54% | 22% | 43% | 22% | 46% |

DLR 13.4: Percentage of Registered Pregnant Mothers Receiving Specified Maternal Nutrition Services in Sylhet and Chattogram Divisions Period: 2019 (January-July)



DLR 14.4: Percentage of Registered Infants and Children Less Than 2 Years Receiving Specified Child Nutrition Services in Sylhet and Chattogram Divisions CY 2019 (January-July)

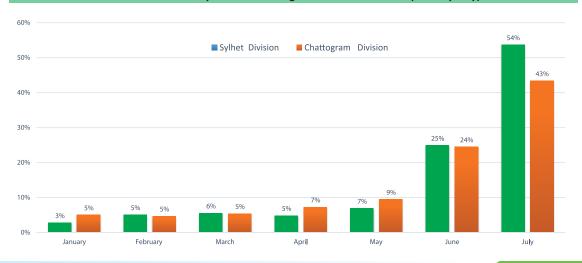


Photo Gallery



Dissemination of M&E REPORT of NPA 2016-17&2017-18



LD NNS is visiting the Community Clinic



LD NNS is attending the Monthly Coordination Meeting



District Level activity at WBW 2019



LD NNS is giving his speech about RapidPRO at Kurigram District

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