



Outcomes of the Landscape Analysis Country Assessment 2010

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The Landscape Analysis Country Assessment was undertaken in Mozambique, Ethiopia, Indonesia and Côte d'Ivoire in the first half of 2010.

In Mozambique, the Government has taken a series of concrete steps to reduce the high rates of chronic malnutrition which affects 44% of children under five. One step in the process of reducing chronic malnutrition, was to undertake the Landscape Analysis in order to understand how to strengthen commitment and capacity of stakeholder at all levels. The Country Assessment was undertaken on 11-21 January by a multi-agency team with members from the Ministry of Health (Department of Nutrition and Department of Epidemiology), the Technical Secretariat for Food Security and Nutrition (SETSAN) under the Ministry of Agriculture, UNICEF (regional and country offices), WFP (country and field offices), WHO (HQ, sub-regional and country offices) and Helen Keller International (HKI). Interviews were conducted in the capital Maputo and the three regions of Gaza, Manica and Nampula. The outcomes and recommendations of the Landscape Analysis were presented at the National High-Level Seminar on Chronic Malnutrition which took place on 3 March, and were used for the development of a National Strategy for the Reduction of Chronic Malnutrition.

In Ethiopia, where 50.7% of children under five are stunted and 12.3% are wasted, the Government requested a Landscape Analysis country assessment in order to review the implementation of nutrition actions, identify priorities for their scaling up, and build analytic capacity of national nutrition stakeholders and further enhance collaboration among all stakeholders. The country assessment was led by the Federal Ministry of Health (FMOH) with an interagency team consisting of the World Bank, UNICEF, WHO, FAO, the Micronutrient Initiative (MI), the Integrated Family Health Project (IFHP), Ethiopian Health and Nutrition Research Institute (EHNRI), Alive and Thrive, Save the Children UK, Save the Children USA, Action Against Hunger (ACF) and Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) on 22-30 March 2010. The interagency team visited the four Regional States of Addis Ababa, Oromiya, Southern Nations and Nationalities Peoples Region (SNNPR) and Afar, in addition to the capital. The outcomes and recommendations of the Landscape Analysis were presented to the Director-General of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Directorate, as well as to the State Minister of Health and Chair of the National Nutrition Coordinating Body and will guide the development of a strategic action plan and investment for accelerating the reduction of maternal and child undernutrition in Ethiopia.

In Indonesia, where stunting stands at 37%, the Landscape Analysis country assessment was conducted on 11-26 March. A national team was formed with representatives from the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Planning, provincial level representatives, MI, HKI, UNICEF, WHO and academic institutions including the University of Indonesia. The teams visited the three provinces of Aceh, Jawa Tengah and Nusa Tenggara Timor. Results were presented and discussed in each of the regions, and a synthesis of the province findings and national level interviews were presented and discussed at a consensus meeting with concerned stakeholders at the national level.

In Côte d'Ivoire, stunting rates increased from 25% in 2000 to 34% in 2006 and it was estimated that malnutrition is an underlying cause in 54% of child mortality in 2006. In response to these nutrition challenges, the country has developed a national nutrition policy and has drafted a strategic plan. In order to finalise the draft strategic plan, the Ministry of Health requested a Landscape Analysis to assess the commitment and capacity of nutrition partners at national level and in every region and district of the country. A Steering Committee was established by decree with members from the Primary Minister's Office, the Ministry of Health and 19 other line ministries, government institutions and development partners. The country assessment took place on 10-20 April under the leadership of the Ministry of Health, with support from the World Bank, UNICEF (country office), WHO (HQ, sub-



regional and country office), HKI and Spiruci. Field assessment and national level interviews were done by 41 teams which covered all 19 regions and 83 districts and conducted interviews among stakeholders at the central level. A total of 31 institutions were interviewed at central level and in the field interviews were conducted in 193 health facilities. The results and recommendations were presented to the members of the Landscape Analysis Steering Committee and development partners in consensus meeting on 20 April, where discussions were chaired by the Prime Minister's Advisor on Food Security and Nutrition.

The Landscape Analysis is an ongoing project. For **more information and subscription to future updates**, contact: nutrition@who.int