# Cambodia

## Joint Programme for Children, Food Security and Nutrition in Cambodia (MDGF- 1992)



### Children, Food Security and Nutrition

Total Budget:	USD 5,000,000		
Budget by Agency:	WFP: 638,790 WHO: 789,660 FAO: 235,935 UNICEF: 2,501,874	UNESCO: ILO:	230,157 345,610
Participating Gov. Entities:	MoH, NCHP, NMCHC, MoLVT, MoI, Provincial Health Department in Kampong Speu and Svay Rieng, MTC, MAFF, National Nutrition Programme, PHDs in KPS and in SVR, MoYES, CARD, MoP/NIS & Social Planning, MOH/NNP & DPHI, NIS, MoH/NNP		
Start Date:	13 January 2010		
Est. End Date:	13 January 2013		
Extension:	Not yet requested		
Disbursements:	First Disbursement:	13 January 2010	USD 2,171,285
	Second Disbursement:	29 April 2011	USD 1,521,548
	Third Disbursement:		
In Brief:	The Joint Programme will contribute to the attainment of the Cambodian Millennium Development Goals 1, 4 and 5 by improving the nutritional status of children aged 0-24 months and pregnant and lactating women. In partnership with relevant government ministries, it will build capacity to implement nationwide behaviour change communication programmes to promote early and exclusive breastfeeding, adequate complementary feeding and improved maternal nutrition. In addition, it will implement a comprehensive integrated package of nutrition and food security interventions to reduce under nutrition and improve food security among a high risk population. The JP will further strengthen nutrition, food security and agriculture policies and develop innovative implementation strategies for improving nutrition at population level. It will strengthen existing monitoring systems, assess the impact of implemented interventions and provide guidance for scaling up the comprehensive package.		

### **Outcomes:**

- Improvement of the nutritional status of children aged 0-24 months and pregnant and lactating women
- Strengthening of the implementation of existing nutrition, food security, and agricultural policies; and development of new policies addressing malnutrition
- Development and management of an integrated food security and nutrition monitoring system



Regions of Intervention:	National and Kampong Speu and Svay Rieng			
MDGs	MDG1 T1.A, T1.B & T1.C ; MDG4 T4.A			
Beneficiaries to date	Direct	Indirect		
No. Institutions				
No. Women				
No. Men				
No. ethnic groups				
Project coordinator: Kim Heang UNG				

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RCO Focal Point: Mercedes San Roman Ruiz, Ann Lund				
Status	The JP is gradually progressing against the planned and expected targets. While some activities have not been completed, overall the programme is on the right track.			
Estimated financial execution status as of the June 30, 2011 biannual report:	TOTAL 5.000.000,00 (100,00%)  Transferred 0,00 (0,00%)  Committed 0,00 (0,00%)  Disbursed 0,00 (0,00%)  Transferred 2.191.285,00 (43,83%)  Committed (4,31%)  Disbursed 215.399,00 (4,31%)  Transferred 2.191.178,00 (43,82%)  Tottal 5.000.000,00 (100,00%)  Transferred 2.191.178,00 (43,82%)  Tottal 5.000.000,00 (100,00%)  Tottal 5.000.000 (100,00%)  Tottal 5.000.000 (100,00%)  Tottal 5.000.000 (100,00%)  Tottal 6.000.000 (100,00%)  Tottal 6.000.000 (100,00%)  Tottal 6.000.000 (100,00%)  Tottal 6.000.000 (100,00%)			
	2009-2 2010-1 2010-2 2011-1			
Main Achievements: by outcomes  Does the JP incorporate gender of	<ul> <li>Behavior change communication plans are under implementation. Also, management of acute malnutrition has been implemented in 5 health centers, and the provision of multiple micronutrients has been carried out in both provinces of intervention.</li> <li>Some national policies have been reviewed and developed, such as National Policy and Guidelines for Micronutrient Supplementation to prevent and Control Deficiencies in Cambodia, National Communication Strategy to Promote the Use of Iron/Folic Acid (IFA) Supplementation for Pregnant and Postpartum Women, and the 2010-2013 and Maternity Leave and Workplace Policy. A number of training materials have also been conducted.</li> <li>Outcome 3: The food security and nutrition monitoring system was established in October last year and the Food Security and Nutrition Data Analysis Team were formed soon after. The Food Security and Nutrition Bulletin, which is part of the information system, are now produced quarterly under the leadership of CARD.</li> </ul>			
Observations				
Paris Declaration	Leadership of national and local governmental institutions:  CARD is playing an important role in the coordination with other government ministries and UN implementing agencies as co-chair of the PMC. CARD hosted the launch of the program at the Council of Ministers. The National Programme Coordinator sits at CARD and plays a vital role in coordination and collaboration with all stakeholders. Two Provincial Programme Coordinators are			

located at the provincial level.

#### Involvement of CSOs and citizens:

- Civil society participated in the planning process, implemented the baseline survey, and took part
- Citizens, specifically families affected by malnutrition, participated and presented at the JP launch. Materials and services for the launch were contracted from civil society organizations that employ vulnerable populations.

#### Alignment and Harmonization:

Nutrition Working Group of the MoH meets every month to ensure that the nutrition issues are well coordinated among government, UN and relevant NGOs.

#### Innovative elements in mutual accountability:

The Joint Programme greatly facilitates the coordination and collaboration of relevant UN agencies and government counterparts. Thus, it required all stakeholders from both UN implementing agencies and government counterparts to work very closely and carry out work in the areas of food security and nutrition in order to reach the same goal.

The Joint Programme has contributed greatly to the new policy development and implementation of new interventions/programmes, which helps catalyze the work with other health partners to jump in on board and work together.

#### **Delivering as One**

Innovative elements in harmonization of procedures and managerial practices:

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The selection of target populations and planning in the field has been made jointly to ensure synergy in beneficiary selection.				
Role of the RCO and synergies with other MDG-F JPs:				
RC or his delegate co-chair the PMC and NSC				
Inter-agency coordination: Given that UN agency focal points have multiple tasks, each sits in his/hers own office, but keeps close coordination and collaboration with the National Programme Coordinator.				
Sustainability Plan in place? Not yet				
The sustainability of the programme is being considered with the support to the existing structure and activities through health systems, food security and nutrition monitoring system of CARD and the revitalization of provincial level food security and nutrition coordination committees. This was recommended in the Strategic Framework for FSN and the JP decided it was also essential for the functioning of the JP. All efforts will be made to ensure that coordination at the provincial level is sustainable.				
C&A plan in place? Not yet The JP advocacy & communication strategy is still being articulated.				
M&E framework is comprehensive, it could benefit from including some qualitative indicators to key outputs and outcomes including assessment of multiple trainings, and effectiveness of BCC				
Date: October 2009	Members: Sophie de Caen, Paula Pelaez			
Evaluator: Keith Fisher				
Period: August – October, 2011				
[Link to final report and improvement plan]				
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