Lessons learned across countries

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Lessons learned in setting up NIPN

• Where the multisectoral nutrition system has a certain level of maturity, setting up NIPN was ‘easier’
• Importance of high-level sponsorship as well as proactive leadership
• Multisectoral collaboration is hard to put in practice - functional skills development could help
• Capacity development and learning by doing is key and needs to be an integral part of all NIPN steps / activities
• Quick wins or low-hanging fruits are crucial for the credibility of NIPN and to create demand for its services
Challenges identified in workshops

- How to identify the strategic priorities and formulating specific sub-questions
- How to engage the sectors & to create demand
- Use of the impact pathways: remains conceptual & requires more in-depth practice to be useful
- Use of the NIPN sub-national dashboard to kick-off the NIPN operational cycle / policy dialogue
- Decision on non-standard / non-MNAP indicators
- The importance of facilitation by in-country TA when it comes to translating the workshop steps into real life implementation of the NIPN operational cycle