

## Summary notes of NIPN Webinar - January 2023

### “NIPN Ethiopia: Aligning with Food and Nutrition Security Priorities”

#### Q&A:

- I) **Were expert insights solely used to contextualise and localise NIPN products? What was the place of local stakeholders, especially across the Policy Cycle, in designing and distributing communication products?**

First, when we receive a question, we engage the sector depending on the topic. For example, in the case of biofortification, we work with ministries, consultants, specialists and so on. Thus, we work with the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA) to have critical stakeholders' interviews, and then they produce and finalise the report. For dissemination, they use workshops where they invite these key stakeholders.

- II) **Could you describe the types of related capacity building that were of great interest?**

Our training depends on the participant's needs, for instance, project management or training on STATA given from basic to advanced statistical analysis. Moreover, how to use Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) data for analysis or develop a research question. Finally, we focus on the media's role in Health and nutrition reporting.

- III) **What are the pros and cons of locating NIPN in the health sector, particularly in the Public Health Research Institute? How is the multisectoral of Nutrition considered in this framework?**

A pro is that NIPN focuses on data analysis, a need in the health sector. On the other hand, a con is that if NIPN intends to support multisectoral initiatives, it needs strong coordination with different ministries, a steering committee and involve stakeholders.

- IV) **How does NIPN Ethiopia relate to the decision-makers and support evidence-based decision-making in various sectors, including the private sector and trade?**

Thanks to the Ethiopian Public Health Institute (EPHI), one of Ethiopia's signatory and big national institutions. They have their chair for M&E, advisory, and M&E platform to help NIPN access decision makers.

- V) **How will you include sustainability in NIPN?**

Sustainability is the key point of NIPN phase 2, it can take a long time to englobe it into public institutions and increase human resources. We have already started to identify all the steps needed to guarantee sustainability in Ethiopia, aiming to achieve that big goal at the end of the initiative. For example, the EPHI plans to incorporate NIPN activities alongside the government plan.

**VI) What are the main outcomes or products and services disseminated by NIPN Ethiopia?  
(question replied after the webinar)**

The Rise in Overweight, Obesity and Nutrition Related Non-Communicable Diseases in Ethiopia: a Call for Action (Policy brief). Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/229>

Trends and Factors Associated with Overweight/Obesity, Diabetes and Hypertension in Ethiopia (Research note). Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/259>

Effectiveness of Social and Behaviour Change Communications (SBCC) to Improve Infant and Young Child Feeding Practices in Ethiopia. Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/263>

Blind to prevent wasting: Data gaps exist to identify factors that drive decline in acute malnutrition (Evidence brief). Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/265>

Biofortification in Ethiopia: Current challenges and opportunities: (Evidence brief). Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/253>

What are patterns of anthropometric status and dietary intake of adolescent girls and what existing interventions target adolescent girls? (report) available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/258>

Progress in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) practices and association with changes in diarrhoea and stunting in children aged 0-59 months in Ethiopia (2000-2016): (Research note) available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/260>

Progress in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Service Coverage in Ethiopia: What More Do We Need to Do and Why? (Policy brief) available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/270>

The National Nutrition Program (2016-2020) Progress Analysis: Evidence for the Development of the National Food and Nutrition Strategy (Report) (2020). Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/264>

Trends in Calorie Intake from Sugar-Sweetened Beverages and Sugar-Sweetened Snacks in Ethiopia (2010-2016): Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/262>

What are lessons learned from the implementation of large-scale fortification programs? (evidence brief): Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/267>

Consumption of edible oil, wheat flour and sugar in Ethiopia: An evidence brief. Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/268>

Review of the Ethiopian Nutrition Policy Landscape 2010-2020 (2020). Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/190>

Nutrition Data Mapping for Ethiopia: Assessment of the Availability and Accessibility of Nutrition-Related Data Available at: <https://www.nipn.eph.gov.et/node/261>

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