

IDN 03- Support for formulation of the Indonesia National Food and Nutrition Action Plan (RAN-PG) 2020-2024

Terms of Reference (ToRs)

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Background

Technical Assistance for Nutrition (TAN) is a project supported by UK aid from the UK government, which seeks to improve the capacity of SUN countries to design, deliver, and track the progress of nutrition programs and to generate, learn from and adopt knowledge of what works. Nutrition International is contributing to TAN by coordinating the provision of technical assistance to help national SUN focal points in select countries to overcome gaps in capacity for the design and delivery of multi-sectoral national nutrition plans, tapping into its global hub to source and deploy the expertise needed.

Indonesia is the largest archipelagic country in the world. Economic growth in Indonesia has vastly increased in the last four decades, marked by improvement of social-welfare of the Indonesian people.¹ The country has made enormous gains in poverty reduction, cutting the poverty rate to more than half since 1999, to 11.2% in 2015.² However, undernutrition remains an issue of concern. In 2018, close to 3 out of 10 children under 5 years of age were stunted while 1 in 10 were wasted. Approximately 2 million children in Indonesia under the age of 5 years suffer from chronic malnutrition.³ Wasting amongst children under 5 is 36.4% for both girls and boys. Poor breastfeeding practices, low socio-economic status and lack of education among mothers are some of the factors that could be correlated to stunting and wasting in Indonesia.⁴ All these factors contributed significantly to a very high national stunting rate -37%. In 2013 stunting rates were 37% in boys and 34% in girls.⁴ Current stunting rates are extremely high when compared to the global average of 21%. Anemia has also been a major concern amongst adult women in Indonesia (28.8%), wherein for pregnant women it is as high as 42% as of 2015.⁵

The Republic of Indonesia joined the SUN Movement in December 2011. To obtain political and policy commitment from relevant ministries, the National Development Planning Agency (Bappenas), and the Ministry of Health drafted the Presidential Decree on the National Movement to Accelerate Nutrition Improvement within the Framework of the First 1,000 Days of Life Movement, which was eventually

^{5 2018} global nutrition report, country profile- Indonesia



¹ National Plan of Action on Food and Nutrition 2011-2015, Page 24

² https://www.worldbank.org/en/country/indonesia/overview

³ https://www.unicef.org/indonesia/nutrition

⁴ A review of child stunting determinants in Indonesia " (Beal, et, al 2018)

approved by the President in 2013.6 The Indonesian SUN Movement Framework comprises a Strategic Working Group and five advocacy sub-working groups; Advocacy; Research, Development and Training; Planning and Budgeting; Monitoring and Evaluation; and Partnership. The Deputy Minister for Human Development, Society, and Cultural Affairs in the Bappenas, is the SUN Focal Point. Also, a central multistakeholder, multi-sectoral coordinating national level Task Force acts as the highest-level government convening body for nutrition.⁷

The current development planning in Indonesia consists of 20-year National Long-term Development Plan (RPJPN 2005-2025) which is divided into four separate 5-year National Medium-term Development Plan (RPJMNs). In line with the RPJMN, each sector proposes its program planning and budget. Bappenas manage the coordination between these development plans. Each sector programme planning and budget in line with the RPJMN. Coordination between these development plans is managed by the Bappenas. During 2000, the Presidential Instruction No.9/2000 on Gender Mainstreaming in National Development was issued which instructs that gender mainstreaming is implemented at all steps of development, i.e. planning, organizing, implementing, monitoring and evaluating, in national development policies and national development programs.8 In order to establish a coordination in food and nutrition sector, Law No. 18 of 2012 concerning foods has mandated the national government and local governments to formulate food and nutrition action plans. At the national level, National Action Plan for Food and Nutrition (RAN-PG) is formulated in line with the RPJMN. The formulation of RAN-PG is a multisectoral approach with involvement of several ministries which are directly or indirectly involved in nutrition, including Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection. The year 2019 marks the end of current RPJMN and RAN-PG. A new 5 year plan for 2020-2024, which also is the last term of the 20 year RPJPN needs to be formulated.

Currently, the Government of Indonesia (GoI) has prioritized and accelerating its efforts for stunting prevention and reduction. The Hon'ble President and Vice President have committed for stunting reduction and have directed the ministries to overcome stunting by multisectoral planning & delivery of integrated nutrition interventions. The GoI has approved the National Strategy (StraNas) for Stunting Prevention and Reduction in November 2018. StraNas Stunting is a guidance document for stakeholders on supporting the commitment of national and sub-national leaders on stunting reduction. To augment the efforts of GoI, the World Bank (WB) released 20 million USD as a grant through a project-Investing in Nutrition and Early Years (INEY). In addition to the grant, WB has also committed 400 million USD as loan which would be reimbursed after reaching the targets- Disbursement Linked Indicators (DLIs).

With all these changes in the nutrition scenario, the Bappenas has recommended aligning all the future policy and planning with the StraNas Stunting. The current TA of NI (IDN 02) to Bappenas is supporting in assessment of current policies, plans & regulations related to food and nutrition and recommend

 $[{]f 8}$ Country gender profile-Indonesia; January 2011; Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)



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⁶ SUN movement experiences in Indonesia; Nina Sardjunani and Endang L. Achadi; http://www.ennonline.net/fex/51/sunexperiencesindonesia

⁷ Indonesia costed plan summary; http://scalingupnutrition.org/sun-countries/indonesia/

means of integrating stunting in the future new/revised plans & policies. In this context, the SUN FP of Indonesia has sought TA from NI under the TAN project to support the Bappenas in formulation of National Food and Nutrition Action Plan (RAN-PG) 2020-2024 with stunting being one of the key focus.

Objectives

Overall objective

To support development of the National Food and Nutrition Action Plan (RAN-PG) for 2020-2024 with a focus on stunting prevention and stunting reduction.

Specific objectives

- 1. Gather and consolidate recommendations and inputs from desk review and consultations to create a national plan with a focus on stunting
- 2. Develop and reinforce mechanisms for guiding & tracking the development of sub-national level food & nutrition action plans (RAD-PGs)
- 3. Coordinate and foster stakeholder consensus for finalization of national plan and its supporting guidelines and regulations

Expected results

It is expected that this consultancy will lead to the following results:

- 1. The National Food and Nutrition Action Plan 2020-2024 (RAN PG), aligned with National Strategy on Stunting Prevention & Reduction is approved by the government through ministerial regulation
- 2. The guidelines for formulation of sub-national level action plans are accepted and applied by the sub-national level actors
- 3. Mechanism established and strengthened for guiding and monitoring formulation of subnational level action plans

Gender

Nutrition International is committed to gender equality. Consultants are required to how and what which stages in their methodology they will ensure that gender equality considerations are included in the provision of TA, including how they are incorporated into deliverables. Examples of integration of consideration for gender equality could include, but are not limited to: ensuring government departments responsible for women (as well as gender focal points in other departments and civil society organizations) are included wherever possible, gender sensitive indicators are included, emerging data is sex disaggregated, and relevant documentation related to gender is reviewed. To this end, NI has developed the following tools which can be accessed using the links below:





- NI guidelines on Integrating Gender Equality into Technical Assistance
- NI background document on Gender and Nutrition
- NI PowerPoint presentation (Gender 101)

Scope of Work

The TA is expected to be provided by 1-2 national consultants.

It is expected that the consultant(s) would ensure the NI guidance on gender equality considerations is strongly built in the objectives as well as in the deliverables expected under this TA. It is important that ministries/ departments/ organizations related to women/ gender are surely included in the consultations/ meetings/ workshops that are planned under the TA. To this end, the consultant will be asked to participate in NI TAN's gender onboarding conference call, prepare a *gender plan9* to indicate which gender requirements relate to each TOR objectives and, if necessary, revisit its methodology accordingly.

The consultant(s) are expected to produce the following deliverables.

- i. Formation of national level expert/ technical committee or forum for guiding the formulation of national plan (RAN-PG)
- ii. Formation of panel of experts for guiding & monitoring formulation of sub-national level plans (RAD-PGs)
- iii. Main outline/ themes of RAN-PG 2020-2024
- iv. <u>Draft</u>: National Food and Nutrition Action Plan 2020-2024 (RAN PG), aligned with National Strategy on Stunting Prevention & Reduction
- v. Guidelines for formulation of sub-national level plans (RAD-PGs)
- vi. <u>Draft</u>: Ministerial regulation for RAN-PG 2020-2024
- vii. Final draft RAN-PG and guidelines for RAD-PG formulation submitted to government for further approval and processes

In addition, any other relevant tasks needed by the SUN Secretariat to support the advancements of the stated objectives, as agreed to by NI may be incorporated in the due course of the assignment.

Note: The deliverables mentioned above are the "end" outputs, however some of the intermediate deliverables such as conducting of consultations/ meetings/ workshops, reports of these meetings, etc. would be added in the work planning/ contracting stage based on the final agreed methodology.

All the key deliverables should be produced in both English and Bahasa.



Use of deliverables

Deliverables produced under this TA are intended for use by SUN Secretariat, Bappenas in the following way:

- The RAN-PG 2020-2024 would be aligned with the larger National Medium Term Development Plan 2020-2024
- The RAN-PG 2020-2024 would push for increased focus and convergence for planning and implementing integrated nutrition actions for accelerating efforts on stunting prevention and reduction
- The expert/ technical committee or forum formed under this TA will be helpful in guiding and monitoring the formulation of RAD-PGs

All deliverables will also be shared with DFID.

Duty Station/Location

The consultant(s) will be based in Indonesia for this assignment. The Bappenas would provide official work space to the consultant(s) to hold joint discussions, meetings and reviews. The consultant(s) are expected to visit NI Country Office regularly to apprise the Country Director and team of the progress made.

All travels required under this consultancy will be provided for by Nutrition International and Bappenas, and would be discussed and agreed during the contracting stage. Travel allowances maximums are based on standard rates of the organization.

Timeline

This TA support would be for a period of up to 12 months, starting from February 2020.

Management and Reporting/Coordination mechanism

- The consultant(s) will report to the Director for Community Health and Nutrition, Bappenas. The consultants will also work closely with other officials and units at Bappenas, officials at sector, provincial and district level, and NI team members.
- The consultant(s) are expected to meet and update the NI Country Director's office as well as Director for Community Health and Nutrition on the progress of the TA on a regular basis.
- The SUN Secretariat/ Bappenas will facilitate the operational linkages with all the other relevant sectors and stakeholders under this TA.
- The consultant(s) are expected to work in close coordination and harmony with other consultants working with the SUN secretariat and Bappenas.
- NI will provide the funding for the assignment, and payment will be subject to performance and reaching deliverables as agreed upon at the moment of contract signing.



• NI will be responsible for the technical guidance and quality assurance of the work being delivered by the consultant.

Profile/qualifications of consultant

The consultant(s) will be selected following a competitive recruitment process. The profile of the consultant(s) has been presented below.

Education:

- i. Doctorate or Master's in Public Health, Health Policy, Nutrition, Food Sciences and related fields
- ii. Knowledge and experience related to Nutrition, health systems and multi sectoral coordination is preferred

Language Skills: Fluency in written and spoken English and Bahasa is mandatory.

Experience:

- i. At least 7 years of relevant experience in the field(s) of nutrition and/or health policy planning including program designing and/or implementation and/or monitoring
- ii. Proven experience of supporting national governments in formulation of national level nutrition/health plans/policies
- iii. Experience in supporting formulation and/or implementation of nutrition/ health plans at subnational levels
- iv. Proven experience in managing multi-stakeholder and multi-sectoral working groups in national and/or sub-national settings
- v. Experience in strengthening the capacity of ministries/ governments/ other partners in being able to sustain interventions
- vi. Experience in working with multi-donor organizations, civil society networks, UN agencies, government and academic/research institutions
- vii. Experience of working in a multi-cultural environment shall be considered an asset
- viii. Experience in and knowledge of gender equality and women's empowerment in the Indonesia context will be considered an asset

Application Process

Proposals should be submitted by email to <u>TechnicalAssistance@NutritionIntl.org</u> before close of business, o6 December 2019, 5.30pm EST (Ottawa, Canada). Only complete applications will be reviewed.

- Up-to-date curriculum vitae (CV)
- Technical proposal: not exceeding five pages, describing the consultant's understanding of the
 task, proposed methodology, responsibilities of key stakeholders and detailed work plan that
 breaks down activities and outputs.



• Financial proposal: including daily fee rate, suggested number of trips/days in-country and any other expenses required to fulfill the terms of the consultancy (field trips, meetings, materials, etc.).

Kindly mention 'IDN 03- Formulation of RAN-PG 2020-2024' in the subject line of the email. Nutrition International is committed to gender equality. All eligible applicants are invited to apply. Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted.