

Cox's Bazar Nutrition Sector (NS) SAG Meeting

4 April 2023, 2:30 AM to 3:30 PM, Nutrition Sector Coordination Office (EPI Building), Cox's Bazar

Meeting minute

Chair: Mr. Kibrom Tesfaselassie, Coordinator, NS

Note taker: Md Yeasir Arafat, KMO, NS

Participants: CWW, SARPV, SCI, SHED, UNHCR, UNICEF and WFP. See attached below the list of participants from each organization.

Welcome and introductions

Mr. Kibrom Tesfaselassie, Coordinator, NS, who welcomed all the participants to the Nutrition Sector March 2023 NS SAG meeting.

Agenda

1. Final review of Locally produced Therapeutic Food (TF) Sharnali 1 & 2 query document.

Agenda Covered:

Final review of Locally produced TF Sharnali 1 & 2 Query document:

- This SAG meeting was organized after Icddr,b presentation of the trial of the Locally produced Therapeutic Food (TF) Sharnali 1 & 2 in the refugee camps to SAG members,
- The discussion on the same agenda between Icddr,b and SAG members that was held on Sunday 02 April 2023 in the presence of focal point from RRRC and Health Sector Coordinator.
- UNICEF has shared their final response on Monday 03 April 2023 to NS and SAG members.
- SAG members have agreed to focus only for those unanswered questions and contributed their recommendation against each question in the CMAM TWG members queries/concerns document. See attached reference document.



Key recommendations:

- 1. Review the composition ingredients of the products (Sharnali 1 & 2) in SOP (page 33) and presentation and amend appropriately. It appears the ingredients are swamped.
- 2. Icddr,b to seek approval for revalidation of the protocol (ethical clearance) by the ERC before starting. This is because it has been already expired in April 2022.



- 3. Icddr,b has conducted the lab test at national and international level. However, there is no evidence the conformity of the product with a standard one by a third party. Thus, SAG is earnestly recommended UNICEF to start conducting the lab test and do analysis independently of the results for its compliance by third party with support of UNICEF Supply Division Copenhagen. This recommendation is for the sample of the products, not about mass production in the food industry.
- 4. Strengthen Emphasis the food handling safety measures during the trial phase including mitigation measures.
- 5. To apply the existing Complaint Response Mechanism (CMR) in each site.
- 6. To brief NS CMAM TWF the progress of trial between 50 to 60 days after the initiation of the trial.
- 7. To submit the preliminary findings final report between to CMAM TWG for review before dissemination and publication.

Conclusion:

- SAG members endorsed the implementation of the trial in three Integrated Nutrition Facilities (INF) in Camps 22, 25 and 27 as of 04 April 2023 under close monitoring and supervision of UNICEF.

Summary Action Points

Action points	Focal point/agency	Timeline
NS and UNICEF to follow up with UNICEF for the progress update between 50 – 60 days	NS/UNICEF	- B/n 50 – 60 days after start date of the trial.
		- TBC by NS in consultation with UNICEF
NS and UNICEF to follow up with UNICEF for the final report of the trial.	NS/UNICEF	- After 90 days start date of the trial.
		- TBC by NS in consultation with UNICEF

Closure: The sector is grateful to all the SAG members for their active participation and contributions. The meeting was ended at 3:30 p.m.

See next page for list of participants.



List of participants:

