

Briefing from Provincial Health Directorate in Nutrition Cluster Meeting

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Major Highlights on COVID-19

- PHEOC established
- Province observing increasing trend of COVID-19 confirmed and death cases with 8654 confirmed and 51 deaths
- Province Health and Nutrition Cluster meeting held on 16 September and some major highlights of the meeting are:
 - Nutrition service delivery was impacted highly in Rupandehi and Kapilvastu and less in other
 - Bardia alike in past year planning to conduct mass SAM screening campaign
 - UNICEF supported for planning and coordination of the meeting

Suaahara:

- Bardiya (within lockdown period)
 - 1500 sets of bio-sand filters installed in household levels and 15 sets in quarantine sites
 - 53 sets of regular filter installed in quarantine sites, isolation centers and Health Facilities
- Rupandehi:
 - Supported in supply of 3000 sachets RUTF to the palikas with stock out in coordination with PHLMC
- Dang:
 - Supported in supply of 1500 sachets of RUTF to stock out palikas
 - Supplied Weighing Scale, Height Boards, MUAC tapes to Rajapur and Dagisharan Rural Municipalities]

Major Highlights (including achievements of actions points)

- **ACF (Nawalparasi West)**

- 39 SAM children are under treatment
- Targeted MUAC screening done in 7 Hard-to-Reach communities and plan to reach 36 such communities
- Completed 2nd round follow-up of Family MUAC Screening Feasibility Study

- **UNICEF**

- Airing of nutrition messages via local FMS is ongoing
- Distribution of posters and flyers to isolation centers, quarantines, and Health Facilities in 5 MSNP districts (Kapilvastu, Nawalparasi West, Bardiya, Rolpa, and Rukum East) in coordination with Health Offices
- Display of flex on importance of taking SAM children to Health Facilities for treatment and follow-up visits at different places of communities



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SN	Indicators	#
1	During lockdown period	
	Infants receiving exclusive breastfeeding till 6 months of age	10,058
	Infants receiving timely introduction of complementary feeding	10,666
	Children aged 6-23 months receiving any MNP	33,762
	Pregnant women receiving 180 IFA tablets	17,641
2	Since January 2020 till date	
	SAM children admitted in OTCs	539
	SAM children admitted in NRH	47

Issues and Mitigating Measure

Limited stocks of RUTF, IFA tabs, and Vitamin A at province as well as district levels

Coordination from Province Health Logistic Management Center with Central Medical Store

Demand from cluster members for Nutrition Kits (alike Health Kits, Hygiene Kits) for the women and children in isolation and quarantines

- Expecting suggestions and support from National Nutrition Cluster
- For now, planning to provide Super Cereal being arrived from Family Welfare Division

Future Strategies.....Way Forwards

- Immediate supply of nutrition commodities to districts upon having supply from central level
- Mobilization of Health Offices of the districts for planning and necessary support for upcoming Vitamina A Supplementation Campaign
- Necessary support to Shivaraj Municipality of Kapilvasty as the municipality is exploring ways to supplement IFA to adolescent girls



Thank You



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