

# UNITED NATIONS CHILDREN'S FUND GENERIC JOB PROFILE (GJP)

#### I. Post Information

Job Title: Nutrition Officer

Supervisor Title/ Level: **Nutrition Specialist** Organizational Unit: **Programme. Nutrition.** 

Dhaka

Post Location: Dhaka, Bangladesh

Job Level: Level 1
Job Profile No.:
CCOG Code: 1I02
Functional Code: NUT

Job Classification Level: Level 1

#### II. Organizational Context and Purpose for the job

The fundamental mission of UNICEF is to promote the rights of every child, everywhere, in everything the organization does — in programs, in advocacy and in operations. The equity strategy, emphasizing the most disadvantaged and excluded children and families, translates this commitment to children's rights into action. For UNICEF, equity means that all children have an opportunity to survive, develop and reach their full potential, without discrimination, bias or favoritism. To the degree that any child has an unequal chance in life — in its social, political, economic, civic and cultural dimensions — her or his rights are violated. There is growing evidence that investing in the health, education and protection of a society's most disadvantaged citizens — addressing inequity — not only will give all children the opportunity to fulfill their potential but also will lead to sustained growth and stability of countries. This is why the focus on equity is so vital. It accelerates progress towards realizing the human rights of all children, which is the universal mandate of UNICEF, as outlined by the Convention on the Rights of the Child, while also supporting the equitable development of nations.

#### **Job Organizational Context:**

The Nutrition Officer GJP is to be used in a Country Office (CO) where the Nutrition Programme is a component of the Country Programme The Nutrition Officer reports to the Nutrition Specialist at Level 3.

Level 1 is an entry professional level and should therefore be normally used as a trainee level for the purpose of acquiring organizational knowledge of rules, regulations and processes to supplement academic and theoretical knowledge of the profession for upward mobility to higher responsibilities. Incumbents at this level are not expected to remain for an extended period of time in the post.

#### Purpose for the job:

The Nutrition Officer provides professional technical, operational and administrative assistance throughout the programming process for the nutrition programmes and projects. The incumbent applies theoretical and technical skills in researching, collecting, analyzing, and presenting technical programme information to support the development and formulation of the Nutrition Programme within the Country Programme, while learning organizational rules, regulations and procedures.

# III. Key functions, accountabilities and related duties/tasks:

#### Summary of key functions/accountabilities:

- Support to programme development and planning
- Research and analyze regional and national political, nutritional, social and economic development trends. Collect, analyze, verify, and synthesize information to facilitate programme development, design and preparation.
- Prepare technical reports and inputs for programme preparation and documentation, ensuring accuracy, timeliness and relevancy of information.
- Facilitate the development and establishment of sectoral programme goals, objectives, strategies, and results-based planning, through analysis of nutrition needs and areas for intervention, as well as submission of assessments for priority and goal setting.
- Provide technical and administrative support throughout all stages of programming processes by executing and administering a variety of technical programme transactions, preparing materials and documentations, and complying with organizational processes and management systems, to support programme planning, results based planning (RBM) and monitoring and evaluating of results.
- Prepare required documentations and materials to facilitate the programme review and approval process.

#### 2. Programme management, monitoring and delivery of results.

- Work closely and collaboratively with colleagues and partners to collect, analyze and share
  information on implementation issues. Suggest solutions on routine programme
  implementation and submit reports to alert appropriate officials and stakeholders for higherlevel intervention and/or decisions. Keep records of reports and assessments for easy
  reference and/or to capture and institutionalize lessons learned.
- Support Government in monitoring nutrition indicators using DHIS2 in all settings and advocate for use of data for decision making.
- Participate in planning, monitoring and evaluation exercises programme reviews and annual sectoral reviews with the government and other counterparts, and prepare minutes and reports on results for follow up action by higher management and other stakeholders.
- Monitor and report on the use of sectoral programme resources (financial, administrative and other assets), verifying compliance with approved allocation, goals, organizational

rules, regulations, procedures, donor commitments, standards of accountability, and integrity. Report on issues identified to ensure timely resolution by management and stakeholders. Follow up on unresolved issues to ensure resolution.

- Prepare inputs for sectoral programme and donor reporting.
- Assist planning and management of UNICEF support for accelerating implementation of the National Nutrition Services-Operational Plan (NNS-OP) and World Bank's Disbursement Linked Initiative (DLI) for nutrition results

#### 3. Technical and operational support to programme implementation

- Undertake field visits and surveys, and exchange information with partners and stakeholders to assess progress and provide technical support. Take appropriate action to resolve issues and/or refer to relevant officials for resolution. Report on critical issues, bottlenecks and potential problems for timely action to achieve results.
- Provide technical and operational support to government counterparts, NGO partners, UN system partners, and other country office partners and donors on the application and understanding of UNICEF policies, strategies, processes, and best practices on nutrition related issues to support programme implementation, operations and delivery of results
- Provide technical support and capacitate Government and others partners on program monitoring using DHIS2 and all available data for better program implementation.
- Assist in UNICEF's support to enhance institutional framework and technical capacity to operationalize effective Nutrition Information System (NIS)

#### 4. Networking and partnership building

- Build and sustain effective close working partnerships with nutrition sector government counterparts and national stakeholders through active sharing of information and knowledge to enhance programme implementation and build capacity of stakeholders to deliver concrete and sustainable results.
- Draft communication and information materials for CO programme advocacy to promote awareness, establish partnership/alliances and support fund raising for nutrition programmes.
- Participate in appropriate inter-agency (UNCT) meetings and events on programming to collaborate with inter-agency partners/colleagues on UNSCDF operational planning and preparation of nutrition programmes/projects; and to integrate and harmonize UNICEF's position and strategies with the UNSDCF development and planning process.
- Research information on potential donors and prepare resource mobilization materials and briefs for fund raising and partnership development purposes.

#### 5. Innovation, knowledge management and capacity building

- Identify, capture, synthesize, and share lessons learned for knowledge development and to build the capacity of stakeholders.
- Apply innovative approaches and promote good practices to support the implementation and delivery of concrete and sustainable programme results.

- Research, benchmark and report on best and cutting edge practices for development planning of knowledge products and systems.
- Participate as a resource person in capacity building initiatives to enhance the competencies of clients and stakeholders.

# IV. Impact of Results

The efficiency and efficacy of support provided by the Nutrition Officer to the preparation, planning and implementation of nutrition programmes/projects contributes to and accelerates the national development efforts to improve the nutritional status of mothers, infants and children in the country and this in turn contributes to maintaining and enhancing the credibility and ability of UNICEF to continue to provide programme services to mothers and children that promotes greater social equity in the country.

# V. UNICEF values and competency Required (based on the updated Framework)

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- Care
- Respect
- Integrity
- Trust
- Accountability

### ii) Core Competencies (For Staff with Supervisory Responsibilities) \*

- Nurtures, Leads and Manages People (1)
- Demonstrates Self Awareness and Ethical Awareness (2)
- Works Collaboratively with others (2)
- Builds and Maintains Partnerships (2)
- Innovates and Embraces Change (2)
- Thinks and Acts Strategically (2)
- Drive to achieve impactful results (2)
- Manages ambiguity and complexity (2)

or

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\*The 7 core competencies are applicable to all employees. However, the competency Nurtures, Leads and Managers people is only applicable to staff who supervise others.

| VI. Recruitment Qualifications |   |  |
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| Education:                     | A university degree in one of the following fields is required: nutrition, public health, nutritional epidemiology, global/international health and nutrition, health/nutrition research, policy and/or management, health sciences, nutritional epidemiology, or another health-related science field. |  |
| Experience:                    | A minimum of one year of professional experience in a developing country in one or more of the following areas is   |  |

|                        | required: nutrition, public health, nutrition planning and management, or maternal, infant and child health/nutrition care.  |  |  |
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|                        | Experience in handling large data sets, monitoring and analyzing data is required.  Experience in using data visualization tools, GIS mapping, online real time data collection tool, DHIS2 and database management is required. |  |  |
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|                        | Experience in health/nutrition programme/project development in a UN system agency or organization is an asset.  |  |  |
| Language Requirements: | Fluency in English is required. Knowledge of another official UN language (Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian or Spanish) or a local language is an asset.   |  |  |

# **Child Safeguarding Certification**

(to be completed by Supervisor of the post)

<u>Child Safeguarding</u> refers to proactive measures taken to limit direct and indirect collateral risks of harm to children, arising from UNICEF's work or UNICEF personnel. Effective <u>01 January 2021</u>, Child Safeguarding Certification is required for all recruitments.

| 1.Is this position considered as "elevated risk role" from a child safeguarding perspective?* If yes, check all that apply below.  | □ Yes | ☑ No |
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| 2a. Is this a Direct* contact role?  | ☐ Yes | ☑ No |
| 2b. If yes, in a typical month, will the post incumbent spend <u>more than 5 hours</u> of direct interpersonal contact with children, or work in their immediate physical proximity, with limited supervision by a more senior member of personnel.      | ☐ Yes | ☑ No |
| *"Direct" contact that is either face-to-face, or by remote communicate, but it does not include communication that is moderated and relayed by another person.  |       |      |
| 3a. Is this a Child data role? *:  | □ Yes | ☑ No |
| 3b. If yes, in a typical month, will the incumbent spend <u>more than 5 hours</u> manipulating or transmitting personal-identifiable information of children (names, national ID, location data, photos)   | ☐ Yes | ☑ No |
| * "Personally-identifiable information", in this context, means any information relating to a child who can be identified, directly or indirectly, by an identifier like a name, ID number, location data, photograph, etc. This is a "child data role". |       |      |
| 4. Is this a Safeguarding response role*   | □ Yes | ☑ No |
| *Representative; Deputy representative; Chief of Field Office; the most senior Child Protection role in the office; any focal point that the office designated for Child Safeguarding; Investigator (Office of Internal Audit and Investigations         |       |      |
| 5. Is this an Assessed risk role*?   | □ Yes | ☑ No |
| *The incumbent will engage with particularly vulnerable children <sup>1</sup> ; or Measures to manage other safeguarding risks are considered unlikely to be effective <sup>2</sup> .  |       |      |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Common sources or signals of additional vulnerability may include but are not limited to: age of the child (very young children); disability of the child; criminal victimization of the child; children who committed offences; harmful conduct by the children to themselves or others; lack of adequate parental care of the children; exposure of the children to domestic violence; a humanitarian context; a migrant (refugee/asylum-seeking/IDP) context. No 'baseline' vulnerability will be set. Hiring Managers will need to use judgment, taking into consideration the implications that follow from an assessed risk role (additional vetting scrutiny, training).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> i.e. the role-risk will be compounded by other residual risks.