# Terms of Reference for Nutrition Officer – Philippine Multisectoral Nutrition Project (PMNP) (Temporary Appointment)

<b>Duty Station:</b>	Cotabato		
Level:	NO Level 2		
Duration:	364 days		
Funding:	SC230739 – PMNP		
Supervision:	Health and Nutrition Specialist, NOC		

### Purpose

The Nutrition Officer will report to the **Health and Nutrition Specialist** and provide professional technical, operational, and administrative assistance throughout the Philippines Multisectoral Nutrition Project (PMNP) programming process, from development planning to implementation, progress monitoring, evaluation, and reporting delivery of results with a particular focus on BARMM. In doing so, the incumbent will implement a variety of technical and administrative programme tasks to facilitate programme development, implementation, programme progress monitoring, evaluation, and reporting of results.

### MAIN TASKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 1. Support to the PMNP programme development and planning
- 2. PMNP Programme management, monitoring and delivery of results.
- 3. Technical and operational support to programme implementation
- 4. Networking and partnership building
- 5. Innovation, knowledge management and capacity building

## **Expected Deliverables within 364 days:**

### 1. Support to the PMNP programme development and planning

- Conduct and update the situation analysis for the PMNP for development, design, and management. Research and report on development trends (e.g., political social, economic, nutrition, health) for higher management use to enhance programme management, efficiency and delivery of results with a particular focus in BARMM.
- Contribute to the development and establishment of sectoral programme goals, objectives, strategies, and results-based planning, through analysis of nutrition needs and areas for intervention, and submission of recommendations for priority and goal setting.
- Provide technical and operational 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 evaluation of results.
- Prepare required documentations and materials to facilitate the programme review and approval process.

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

 Work closely and collaboratively with colleagues and partners to discuss operational and implementation issues. Provide solutions, recommendations and/or alert appropriate officials and stakeholders for higherlevel intervention and/or decision-making. Keep record of reports and assessments for easy reference and/or to capture and institutionalize lessons learned.

- Work on a day-to-day basis with the DOH, MOH and the PMNP implementing partners and contractors to provide professional technical support, operational, and administrative assistance ensuring delivery of results.
- Participate in monitoring and evaluation exercises, programme reviews and annual reviews with the government and other counterparts to assess programmes/projects and to report on required action and interventions at the higher level of programme management.
- 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 regular and mandated sectoral programme/project reports for management, donors, and partners to keep them informed of programme progress.

## 3. Technical and operational support to programme implementation

- Conduct regular programme 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/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.

### 4. Networking and partnership building

- Build and sustain effective close working partnerships with nutrition sector government counterparts and national and BARMM stakeholders through active sharing of information and knowledge to facilitate programme implementation and build capacity of stakeholders to achieve programme goals on maternal and child rights as well as social justice and equity.
- 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 at national and sub-national level on programming to collaborate with inter-agency partners and colleagues on UNDAF operational planning and preparation of nutrition programmes/projects, and to integrate and harmonize UNICEF's position and strategies with the UNDAF 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.

### Knowledge / Expertise / Skills Required:

#### 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.

#### Work Experience

- A minimum of two years 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.
- Experience in health/nutrition programme/project development in a UN system agency or organization is an asset.

### <u>Language</u>

- Fluency in English is required.
- Knowledge of another official UN language or local language of the duty station is considered as an asset.

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