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Institutional Transformations in 2015 - 16

Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework
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Aligning actions around a common results framework
The National Plan of Action on Nutrition is being developed to be in line with the National Nutrition Policy. A Development Results Framework, which looks at the Sustainable Development Goal indicators has been created and incorporated into the 7th Five Year Plan. The Results Framework is costed and monitored by the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council and the Ministries of Planning and Finance. The Government – along with relevant stakeholders – is currently drafting a multi-sectoral Common Results Framework to enhance the implementation of the National Plan of Action on Nutrition.

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2016-17 PRIORITIES

- The formulation and implementation of the National Plan of Action on Nutrition
- Implement the Comprehensive Social Behaviour and Change Communication Strategy and launch a social mobilisation and advocacy campaign
- Strengthening the skills of and coordination between key actors and the Multi-Stakeholder Platform by revitalising and activating the Bangladesh National Nutrition Council.