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DIALOGUE TITLE	Technical dialogue for improvement in implementation of nutrition policy in Tanzania
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EVENT LANGUAGE	Swahili
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GEOGRAPHIC SCOPE	National Level
AFFILIATIONS	Kivulini Women led organization
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- Synthesised into reports that cover which nutrition challenges are faced, what actions are urgently needed and how should these be taken forward - particular, in advance of the Nutrition for Growth Summit in Paris, March 2025.

SECTION ONE: PARTICIPATION

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

55

PARTICIPATION BY AGE RANGE

0	0-11	0	12-18	4	19-29
40	30-49	11	50-74	0	75+

PARTICIPATION BY GENDER

37	Female	18	Male	0	Other/Prefer not to say
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NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FROM EACH STAKEHOLDER GROUP

0	Children, Youth Groups and Students	31	Civil Society Organisations (including consumer groups and environmental organisations)
0	Educators and Teachers	2	Faith Leaders/Faith Communities
0	Financial Institutions and Technical Partners	0	Food Producers (including farmers)
5	Healthcare Professionals	0	Indigenous Peoples
0	Information and Technology Providers	0	Large Business and Food Retailers
0	Marketing and Advertising Experts	2	National/Federal Government Officials and Representatives
0	News and Media (e.g. Journalists)	0	Parents and Caregivers
0	Science and Academia	0	Small/Medium Enterprises
15	Sub-National/Local Government Officials and Representatives	0	United Nations
0	Women's Groups	0	Other (please state)

OTHER STAKEHOLDER GROUPS

ADDITIONAL DETAIL ON PARTICIPANT DIVERSITY

Dialogue included both National and Local CSOs. It also included local level government service providers (local health service providers) It also included decision makers) at National and Local Level

SECTION TWO: FRAMING AND DISCUSSION

FRAMING

The dialogue started by showing the extent of malnutrition in Tanzania especially for under 5 and presenter shows that about Stunting- Child stunting is an issue of concern for Tanzania as 30% of children under 5 are stunted which is more than the global level. Stunting is higher among boys 33.3% than girls with 26.6%. However, prevalence is higher in rural areas 33.4% as compared to urban areas with 21%. Stunting is higher in Tanzania Mainland (30%) than in Zanzibar (18%). Presenter also highlighted challenge of Wasting- 3% of children <5 years are wasted, among them, Male 4.2%, Female 2.4%; Urban 3.1%, Rural 3.4% and lastly showed problem of Underweight- 12% are under-weight in the country. The factors for malnutrition in Tanzania and shinyanga region specifically include poverty among people, ignorance on eating behavior, budget allocation for nutrition intervention at Local Government authority and national level are sometime inadequate. The problem of climate change which causes to unreliable rainfall in some parts of the country.

DISCUSSION

1. Overview on how Tanzania is faring on improving Health & Nutrition services at National to Local level. 2. Status on the implementation of N4G Commitments by CSOs and government of the United Republic of Tanzania 3. Panel discussion on the future of Tanzania in improving nutrition gender sensitive services 4. developing Capacity statement for improving Nutrition services 5 Developing action plans for different partners (Ministry of Health, Presidents Office- Regional Administration and Local Government)

SECTION THREE: DIALOGUE OUTCOMES

CHALLENGES

URGENT ACTIONS

1. Establish an accountability system structure for tracking nutrition expenditure at local government authority and ensure 1000 Tanzania Shillings that is set for under 5 to be provided on time.
2. Developing Evidence Based database for effective communication and engagement
3. Engage the public and private sector to promote nutrition supportive business practices.
4. Promote and ensure all schools provide meals to children while at school. It was agreed that District Nutrition Officers to engage parents and school management committees and ensure the school feeding and nutrition guideline is well implemented

AREAS OF DIVERGENCE

OVERALL SUMMARY

After a very long dialogue and discussion, participants agreed to support in implementing the following areas of concern:

1. Strengthening multisectoral nutrition information system especially at local levels
2. Mobilize financial resources for National Multisectoral Nutrition Action Plan (NMNAP) implementation
3. Reduce the prevalence of anemia among women of reproductive age from 28.8% in 2021 to 23% by June 2026
4. Engaging private sectors as it was noted that private sectors in Tanzania are not well engaged on issues around nutrition. There is a need to have

SECTION FOUR: PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT & METHOD

PRINCIPLES OF ENGAGEMENT

In ensuring that all participants engage in dialogue, facilitator used different methods of engagements such as putting participants into groups discussion and engaging some participants in panel discussion

METHOD AND SETTING

The discussion/dialogue were formal and was organized in special room

ADVICE FOR OTHER CONVENORS

The dialogue not represented with people with disabilities. Other dialogues PWDs should be represented

FEEDBACK FORM: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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ATTACHMENTS

- **Group Photo for Dialogue Participants**
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