SPRING Webinar: The Role of Increased Income and Women's Empowerment on Nutrition
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Rwanda Feed the Future Lessons Learnt 2015
**Impact-level FTF targets in 2017:**

- Reduce the prevalence of poverty in the ZOI by 20% from 66.9% to 53.6% by 2017
- Reduce stunting by 20% in ZOI from 46% to 37% by 2017

**FTF FY 2016 activity-level outcomes needed to make significant contribution to ZOI population/sector-level outcome**

- 150,000 maize farmers in the ZOI will increase crop yields from 2.3 MT/ha (2010) to 4 MT/ha through adoption of improved seeds, fertilizer application, pest management, soil and water management, and post-harvest handling and storage

- 550,123 bean farmers in the ZOI increase yields from 1 MT/ha (2010) to 3 MT/ha through improved seed and management practices.

- 50,000 dairy farmers in the ZOI increase gross margin per dairy cow from $157.45 to $251.93 through improved feeding, artificial insemination, animal health and milk quality.
**FTF Impact-level Nutrition Targets in 2017**

- Reduce stunting by 20% in ZOI from 46.3% (2010 baseline) to 37.1% in 2017
- Reduce percentage of underweight children under five in ZOI from 11.8% (2010) to 9.5% in 2017.
- Reduce Wasting in ZOI from 2.7% (2010) to 2.1% in 2017.

**Population-level Outcome Target for Dietary Quality in 2017**

- Increase Prevalence of children 6-23 months receiving a Minimum Acceptable Diet in ZOI from 17.3% (2010) to 34.6% in 2017.
- Increase Women's Dietary Diversity in ZOI from 3.3% (2010) to 5.1% in 2017.
- Increase the Prevalence of Exclusive Breastfeeding of children under six months of age in ZOI from 86.5% (2010) to 100% in 2017.

**FTF FY 2016 activity-level outputs needed to make significant contribution to ZOI population/sector-level outcome**

- Estimated total of 586,000 children under five and their mothers will be reached with nutrition interventions.
- 23,000 Community Health Workers will be trained in maternal and child health and nutrition.
- Increase availability and accessibility of nutrient-rich foods
Collaboration and alignment with Government of Rwanda economic priorities has shown tangible results:

• Closely aligned with the GOR Strategies
• Support GOR institutions
• GOR is improving its ability to attract private sector investment.
• In FY 2015 alone, we are rolling out 6 new activities and designing 4 additional ones that are expected to hit the ground in early FY 2017
We are making progress and showing tangible results that support the Rwanda Feed the Future strategy to reduce hunger and nutrition through systems transformation, enabling sustainable growth through improved institutional infrastructure, and policy reform. We are:

- Positioning Rwanda as a strong competitor in regional markets
- Improving post harvest handling and storing
- Increasing yield for key value chain crops (Maize, Bean)
- Strengthening the dairy value chain
- Supporting the privatization of fertilizers
- Training caregivers and Community Health Workers on good nutrition practices
Key actions needed in the next 2 years to achieve the nutrition outcome targets

1. More nutrition-sensitive actions:
   - Integrate Nutrition and WASH interventions in Feed the Future Rwanda
   - Promote and increase availability of animal source proteins (egg, meat, milk) for dietary diversity
   - Increase availability of iron-fortified beans
   - Link agriculture and improved nutrition through public-private partnerships

2. Increased availability and consumption of vegetables produced on kitchen gardens

3. Expand milk consumption campaign through the Feed the Future Rwanda Dairy Competitiveness activity

4. Efforts to Increase farmers’ incomes is expected to increase their ability to purchase nutritious foods