

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition

Job title:	Project Manager, Maternal Multiple Micronutrient Supplementation (MMS) Project		
Classification:	E4 – Project Manager	Direct reports:	0
Work location	Dhaka	Travel required:	50%

The Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN) is a Swiss-based foundation launched at the UN in 2002 to tackle the human suffering caused by malnutrition. Working with both governments and businesses, we aim to transform food systems so that they deliver more nutritious food for all people. We aim to make healthier food choices more desirable, more available, and more affordable. GAIN's mission is to advance nutrition outcomes by improving consumption of nutritious and safe food for all people, especially the most vulnerable to malnutrition.

DESCRIPTION
<p>Overall purpose</p> <p>The Project Manager – Maternal Multiple Micronutrient Supplementation (MMS) will be responsible for managing and quality implementation related to working with the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) for MMS Delivery in Bangladesh. S/he will regularly provide managerial, technical and partnership support and maintain functional relationship with the cluster Targeted Dietary Improvement Programme (TDIP), Knowledge Leadership (KL) and Finance. S/he will maintain a working with the with government institutions (National Nutrition Services/Institute of Public Health Nutrition and members of TAG), UNICEF and relevant technical and strategic and development and implementing partners who have similar activities for maternal and child nutrition. S/he will also contribute to developing concepts, proposals and explore new programmatic areas based on learning from the projects. The position will report to the Portfolio Lead/Manager of TDIP and work with members of GAIN Bangladesh Team and TAG members.</p>
<p>Tasks and responsibilities</p> <p><u>Role in Project Implementation</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Responsible to provide regular inputs (through dynamic leadership and facilitating knowledge) to the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) lead by the government to harmonise standards on MMS in Bangladesh. - Facilitate an enabling environment for policy support and greater buy in to scale up MMS through the public and private channels and improve the access for achieving positive birth outcomes. - Facilitate the process to include MMS aligning with TAG priorities aligning with the investment from Children Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF). - Responsible for policy discussions around the MMS. - Provide technical and needs-based capacity inputs to implementing partners for effective implementation and monitoring of progress of the MMS business model. - Provide inputs in capacity building training to the public and private ANC platforms as per requirements to enhance knowledge and skill. - Support in the development of relevant Social and Behaviour Change Communication messages and materials in consultation with Government, partners and relevant experts. - Responsible for overall reporting of the project progress reports, quarterly budget forecast, timely management of the funds with support from the Finance team. <p><u>Role in Partnership Management and Collaboration</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Collaborates with the Country team, Portfolio Management and Delivery team on program strategy, communications, and implementation of all project components including effective performance management of sub-contractors, and technical consultants. - Development and maintaining working relationships with key stakeholders including government institutions, development partners, UN agencies, I/NGOs, Social Marketing Company (SMC) and the private sectors linked in implementing the MMS project. - Work with strategic and alliance partners in the maternal nutrition for joint advocacy, coordination, research, and share learnings.

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Technical Supervision, Monitoring and Evidence Generation

- Collaborates with the Knowledge Leadership (KL) team to develop result and monitoring framework and tools to closely monitor projects impact.
- Develop policy documents and guidelines for MMS production as per UNIMMAP formulation with price positioning for effective promotion, implementation and monitoring through diversified channels of distribution.
- Work in collaboration with Government, UN Agencies like UNICEF and WHO and Partners in developing technical documents and country proposition for MMS for Global Taskforce of WHO for positioning MMS in ANC guidelines.
- Visits the field activities to ensure that project progress is on track and the risk mitigation plan is up to date.
- In collaborating with the KL team facilitate documenting experiences, preparing reports, presentations, briefs and articles for wider dissemination and publication.
- Contributing to develop concepts, proposals, and explore new programmatic areas based on learning from the projects.
- Support to country office and global to share the learning in view of exploring future funding opportunities.

Key organisational relationships

- Reports to Portfolio Lead, Targeted Dietary Improvement Programme
- Respective Team Members of GAIN Country Office
- Project Support Team (PST)
- Knowledge Leadership (KL) team
- Finance team
- Human Resource team

JOB REQUIREMENTS

Competencies

- Excellent project management experience and strategic thinking abilities.
- A dynamic individual with excellent interpersonal and communication skills in multicultural, multi-lingual environments.
- Strong analytical and technical abilities particularly on maternal nutrition and multiple micronutrient supplementation (MMS) with knowledge and expertise in nutrition.
- Ability to use prioritize, multi-task, and work well independently under pressure to meet deadlines.
- Proactive with a commitment to quality and accuracy with close attention to detail.
- Expertise in working with Government, UN, Development Partners and research agencies.
- Ability to work in a multi-cultural, cross-functional team with a flexible and adaptable approach to work.
- Clear and systematic thinking that demonstrates good judgment, expert problem solving, and creativity.
- Negotiation and advocacy skills.
- Self-motivated and solution oriented.
- Flexible, willingness to travel in challenging environments.
- IT literacy with excellent MS Office skills.

Experience

- 5- 8 years of experience in developing and managing projects in a multi-cultural environment in public health nutrition with government or international organizations.
- Strong experience in maternal nutrition project implementation and management, preferably in micronutrient supplementation/or nutrition activities.
- Experiences in public health and nutrition service project implementation are essential.
- Experience in delivering an integrated nutrition project in food system is desirable.
- Proven ability to work effectively in a team environment and matrix structure is critical.
- Fluency in spoken and written English is essential.
- Experience in staffs and implementation partners management
- Experience in analysis of data and quality reporting.

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Education

- Master's degree in nutrition, food science, management, business or a suitable equivalent.

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- Flexible working hours
- Friendly working environment
- Professional development opportunities