

Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Health  
National Nutrition Council Region VII

**CENTRAL VISAYAS REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE**

RNC Resolution No. 022-01 (s 2022)

Excerpts from the Minutes of the Regional Nutrition Committee Meeting held on 22 February 2022 at Cebu City, Philippines.

**“INSTITUTIONALIZING THE SUB-COMMITTEES OF THE SUN  
NETWORK IN THE REGION”**

**WHEREAS**, Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) is a global movement launched in September 2010 and is jointly created by individuals from a range of governments, agencies, and groups to end malnutrition in all its forms;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines joined the SUN movement in 2014 becoming the 51st country to be included in this movement;

**WHEREAS**, Central Visayas has adopted the SUN Movement via RNC Resolution No. 015-02 s 2015 on 18 February 2015 enjoining local governments thru the Local Chief Executives and the local Sanggunian in all Provinces, Cities and Municipalities in the region and further institutionalizing a set of courses of action to address stunting and other forms of malnutrition in the region;

**WHEREAS**, now on its third phase also known as SUN 3.0, shall cover the years 2021 to 2025 and focuses on the collective, coherent, and evidence-based action that will lead to accelerated nutrition progress and change;

**WHEREAS**, the 3.0 strategy aims to achieve the following objectives: (a) empower a country-led collaboration with multisector stakeholders for greater impact of nutrition-related action plans; (b) strengthen strong policy and advocacy for nutrition outcomes along with aligning shared country priorities for action;

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines thru the National Nutrition Council (NNC) together with the Department of Health (DOH) launched the SUN 3.0 strategy on 02 June 2021 and was the first among the 62 member countries that gathered stakeholders from government, civil society, business sector, academe, and donors to work together in eliminating malnutrition in the Philippines by 2030;

**WHEREAS**, NNC 7 as its contribution to the SUN movement in the country, organized the SUN Movement Sub-National Gathering (SSNG) to form the SUN business network, academe network, and civil society network at the sub-national level during the SUN Sub-National Gathering (SSNG) held on 21 July 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the RNC recognizes the roles of each network to effectively and efficiently improve nutrition outcomes thru strategizing existing nutrition programs and its sustainability, see Attachment:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that the Central Visayas Regional Nutrition Committee endorse the institutionalization of the SUN Subcommittees members and encourage their participation in the movement and contribute to the improvement of the region's nutrition environment.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the RNC members shall ensure that this resolution is fully implemented among the SUN networks by the provision of technical assistance in the implementation of nutrition-sensitive and specific programs, projects, and activities.

**RESOLVED FURTHERMORE**, to designate NDAP Cebu Chapter and PNA Cebu Chapter for SUN Academe, DOLE 7 and DTI 7 for SUN Business and PAN Cebu Chapter, DSWD VII and DA 7 for SUN CSA to monitor compliance of this resolution;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the SUN Academe, Business and Civil Society Networks and other concerned stakeholders in the region.

**APPROVED**, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2022 during the 1<sup>st</sup> Sem RNC Full Committee Meeting held in Cebu City.

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### Roles of SUN Network

SUN Network	Roles
<p>SUN Civil Society Network</p> <p>Organizations/associations representing farmers, fisherfolk, women's groups, and/or consumer groups</p>	<p><b>Advocacy, social mobilization, and campaign</b> – support in building sustainability beyond political cycles for prioritization of nutrition through close work with parliamentarians. They can help develop leaders and champions and improve the enabling policy environment for addressing maternal and child nutrition through advocacy. Other than this, civil society may serve as the voice of the community or the grassroots.</p> <p><b>Program Planning, Implementation, and Monitoring</b> to ensure that the nutrition-specific and nutrition-sensitive services are delivered and reached to the affected communities. The CSOs work closely with the communities and have extensive reach. Aside from this, the CSA can assist in tracking the country's progress vis-à-vis national, sub-national, and global targets, by monitoring nutrition spending, collecting data to ensure no one is left behind.</p>
<p>SUN Business Network</p> <p>Corporate sectors that include small and medium enterprises engaged in food and nutrition and corporate foundations</p>	<p>Areas of focus may differ based on the strength of the business/company. The range of commitments may be along <b>improving supply chain and logistics</b> especially during this time of pandemic where the transportation and logistics were greatly hampered, causing hunger and insecurity among households.</p> <p>The business may also support the PPAN through <b>voluntary food fortification</b> of their food technologies/items with Vitamin A, Iron, and Zinc; through <b>dietary supplementation programs</b>; and <b>provision of financial assistance</b> for the implementation of PPAN programs, among others.</p>
<p>SUN Academe Network</p> <p>Schools and universities offering Nutrition and</p>	<p><b>Conduct and use of research</b> as evidence for policy/program formulation. The academe may also focus on <b>product development</b> for use in dietary supplementation programs, specifically for pregnant women and 6-23 months old children.</p>

*Attachment for RNC Resolution No. 022-01 (s 2022)*

Dietetics, Nursing and Medicine	<p><b>Capacity-building</b> among food and nutrition professionals, educators, and researchers, as well as health and nutrition workers through the conduct of conferences (to ensure up-to-date nutrition information).</p> <p>Participation in interagency meetings for <b>health and nutrition policy formulation</b>.</p>
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