

MDAs Policy Alignment Template

- **Purpose:** A quick-reference tool to ensure sectoral policies align with the national nutrition strategy.









Step 1: Identify the Policy

- **Template Section:**
 - Policy Name: _____
 - Responsible Agency: _____
 - Date Created: _____
 - Main Objective: _____
 - Target Outcomes: _____



Step 2: Check Alignment with National Nutrition Goals


- **Checklist** (Use checkboxes to make it easy to tick off):
 - ☐ Aligns with national nutrition strategy (e.g., maternal health, food security, childhood malnutrition)
 - ☐ Addresses the nutrition-related priorities of the sector
 - ☐ Includes measurable targets for nutrition improvement
 - ☐ Identifies resources for successful implementation

Policy Alignment Matrix:

Key National Nutrition Goals	Policy Objective 1	Policy Objective 2
Maternal Health	 Aligned	 Not Aligned
Child Health	 Aligned	 Aligned
Food Security	 Not Aligned	 Aligned
Access to Nutrition Services	 Aligned	 Not Aligned

Color Legend:

- **Green** ( **Aligned**): The policy objective is fully aligned with the national nutrition goal.
- **Yellow** ( **Partially Aligned**): The policy objective is partially aligned, but improvements are needed.

- **Red  Not Aligned**): The policy objective is not aligned with the national nutrition goal.

Step 3: Analyze Gaps or Overlaps

- **Checklist:**
 - ☐ Are there any gaps in addressing key nutrition priorities?
 - ☐ Is there overlap with other existing policies? If yes, specify: _____

Step 4: Consult Stakeholders

- **Consultation Notes:**
 - Stakeholders to Consult: _____
 - Feedback/Recommendations: _____
 - Actions to Address Gaps: _____

Step 5: Policy Adjustment Recommendations

- **Template Section:**
 - Recommendation for Policy Adjustment: _____
 - Responsible Party for Adjustment: _____
 - Timeline for Adjustments: _____