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Wish List

Strong coordination

 Advocacy on the consumption of fortified foods

 Producers to contribute on social marketing of fortified food

Achievement Extent

- NFA Weaker coordination; not enough meetings i.e. once per year
- No much advocacy on fortified foods; little awareness to traders and consumers. Only high awareness at industry level
- Nothing or little has been done by the producers on social marketing

Wish List

Nutrition legislation in place

Achievement Extent

- Great progress made
- Standards gazetted by MoITT (fortification mandatory)

Strong monitoring and evaluation

 Samples taken and analyzed without follow up and feedback.

TIMELINE ACHIEVEMENTS

- ✓ Mandatory fortification to start by January 2016 but the industry asked for a one year grace period
- ✓ Effective January 2017, instead

New Issues, Challenges & Solutions

- Too many legislations on food safety leading to confusion.
- ✓ Establishment of a food safety legislation institution is the new solution
- No access to technical know-how, equipment by small scale millers
- ✓ Duty free exemption on all equipment small scale millers
- ✓ Private Public Partnership to transfer technical know-how to millers
- Inadequate equipment
- Limited capacity at all levels to monitor a food item
- ✓ Monitoring and evaluation has to be synchronized
- ✓ Harmonise clearance of all food imports at the Boarder

Where we are

- Standards gazetted
- Some companies fortifying, some not

WHERE WE WANT TO BE IN:		HOW
a) 6 months	Intensive Enforcement of Fortification, Monitoring amongst companies	Through NFA
b) One Year	Full compliance	Through NFA
	Harmonization of clearing at the boarder	Improve coordination between the MBS & Port Health Officers on monitoring
	Nutrition Act in place	Parliament
	Extensive awareness of the traders on fortified foods	NFA, Mass Media
	Increase capacity of National Reference Lab	Fundraising

Where we want to be in:		HOW
c) Two Years	Draft of Food Safety Management Systems	Through MoITT
	Continued Compliance	Through NFA