

QUARTERLY REPORTS ON RMNCAH BUDGET RELEASES IN KANO STATE 2021



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Background

The National and Subnational level governments in Nigeria are committed to reducing the global maternal mortality ratio to less than 70 per 100 000 live births by 2030 and Kano state is not an exception. Part of the means to achieve this is through Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent and Elderly Health (RMNCAH) services. The RMNCAH service packages include Childbirth Spacing/Family Planning, Nutrition, Immunization, pregnancy and child care and sexual and reproductive health education via primary healthcare centres (PHC) ¹.

Table 1: Childbirth Spacing/Family Planning Budget Performance, Q1-Q3 in Millions of Naira

MDAs	BUDGET LINES	2021 ALLOCATION	ACTUAL RELEASED Q1-Q3	PERFORMANCE	2022 PROPOSED
Ministry of Health	Childbirth Spacing Programme (Procurement of Commodities)	10,000,000	10,000,000	100%	100,000,000
Primary Health Care Mgt. Board	Child Birth Spacing Programme in Primary Health Care	Nil	Nil	-	80,000,000
Total		10,000,000	10,000,000	100%	180,000,000

Source: Kano State Approved 2021 and Proposed 2022 Budgets

Childbirth Spacing/Family Planning (CBS/FP)

In the year 2021, the sum of N10 million was allocated to the Childbirth Spacing/Family Planning (CBS/FP) budget. Between January and September (Q1-Q3) of the year, the total allocated fund has been released.

Routine Immunization (RI)

In the year 2021, the sum of N50 million was allocated to the Global Polio Eradication Initiatives and N330 million Routine Immunisation budgets. This amount to N380 million for the 2021 fiscal year. Between January and September (Q1-Q3) of the year, the sum of N141 million or 37.25% of the total allocated fund was released.

Table 2: Routine Immunisation Budget Performance, Q1-Q3 in Millions of Naira

MDAs	BUDGET LINES	2021 ALLOCATION	ACTUAL RELEASED Q1-Q3	PERFORMANCE	2022 PROPOSED
Ministry of Health	Global Polio Eradication Initiatives	50,000,000	34,400,000	68.80%	80,000,000
Primary Health Care Mgt. Board (PHCMB)	Routine Immunisation	330,000,000	107,160,344	32.47%	430,000,000
Total		380,000,000	141,560,344	37.25%	510,000,000

Source: Kano State Approved 2021 and Proposed 2022 Budgets

¹ <https://africahbn.info/empowering-ngos-and-young-people-on-nigerias-rmncaeh-commitment-amidst-the-covid-19-pandemic/>

Table 3: Pregnancy and Child Care Budget Performance, Q1-Q3 in Millions of Naira

MDAS	BUDGET LINES	2021 ALLOCATION	ACTUAL RELEASED Q1-Q3	PERFORMANCE	2022 PROPOSED
Ministry of Health	Intergrated Maternal Newborn and Child Health (IMNCH)	50,683,000	6,595,200	13.01%	100,000,000
	Procurement and distribution of Zinc and LORS, deworming tablets for MNCH weeks and routine services (KHETFUND)	20,000,000	12,042,800	60%	20,000,000
H.M.B. (HQ and Zones)	Purchase of Free Maternal and Childcare and Accident & Emergency Drugs	100,000,000	83,191,228	83.19%	120,000,000
	Community Maternal & Pre - Natal Death Surveillance and Response (CMPDRS)	15,000,000	Nil	0%	29,000,000
Primary Health Care Mgt. Board	Integrated Maternal, New Born and Child Health (IMNCH)	10,000,000	Nil	0%	10,000,000
	Social and Behaviour Change Communication Activities on Infant and Young Child Feeding (IYCF) Targeted at Pregnant Women	3,000,000	Nil	0%	3,000,000
	Implementation of Maternal & Child Health Strategy in Primary Health Care	Nil	Nil	-	80,000,000
Ministry of Women Affairs	Sensitization to reduce high rate of maternal and infant mortality across the state	5,000	Nil	0%	5,000,000
Total		198,688,000	101,829,228	51.25%	367,000,000

Source: Kano State Approved 2021 and Proposed 2022 Budgets

Pregnancy and Child Care

The Kano State government allocated the sum of N198 million to provides various services for the pregnant women during and after the birth to secure the life of both the mother and baby. Between January and September (Q1-Q3) of the year, the sum of N101 million or 51.25% of the total allocated fund was released.

Care-seeking for pneumonia

Pneumonia is one of the childhood killer diseases. Out of the N10 million allocated to control related diseases such as the Tuberculosis and Leprosy, N7.5 million or 75% of the total allocated fund was released as of the Q3 2021.

Table 4: Care-seeking for pneumonia Pregnancy and Child Care, Q1-Q3 in Millions of Naira

MDAS	BUDGET LINES	2021 ALLOCATION	ACTUAL RELEASED Q1-Q3	PERFORMANCE	2022 PROPOSED
Ministry of Health	Tuberculosis and Leprosy Control	10,000,000	7,500,000	75%	30,000,000

Source: Kano State Approved 2021 and Proposed 2022 Budgets



Nutrition

The Kano State Government allocated the sum of N583 million to various nutrition-related services. These includes research, sensitization, food, capacity building, advocacy, monitoring and evaluation as well as the payment of the counterpart funding. Out of this sum, only N6 million or 1.16% of the total allocated fund was released as of the September (Q3) 2021.



Table 5: Nutrition Budget 2021 Performance - Q1-Q3 in Millions of Naira

MDAS	NUTRITION BUDGET LINES	2021 ALLOCATION	ACTUAL RELEASED Q1-Q3	PERFORMANCE	2022 PROPOSED
Ministry of Health	Implementation of UNICEF Assisted Programme (NUTRITION)	300,000,000	Nil	0%	500,000,000
	Counterpart Funding for Accelerating Nutrition Results in Nigeria (ANRiN) (KHETFUND)	50,000,000	Nil	0%	50,000,000
	Provision and Distribution of Supplementary Food to Children with Moderate Acute Malnutrition (MAM)	20,000,000	Nil	0%	20,000,000
Primary Health Care Mgt. Board	Active Case Finding of Severe Acute Malnutrition (SAM) and Provision of Appropriate Treatment	2,000,000	2,000,000	100%	2,000,000
	Implementation Of Nutritional Services in Primary Health Care	Nil	Nil	-	80,000,000
Ministry of Agric. & Natural Resources	Household Survey, Analysis of Data, Mapping and Classification of Food and Nutrition insecurity situation across the state (Cadre Harmonise')	5,000,000	4,804,325	96%	15,000,000
	Support to Hosting of Food Security and Nutrition Programs in the state	Nil	Nil	-	5,475,604
	Improviing Management of food security Crises and Nutrition-in-Emergency	12,944,732	Nil	0%	18,000,000
	Ensuring food & nutrition security at the state,community & household level	15,000,000	Nil	0%	21,000,000

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MDAS	NUTRITION BUDGET LINES	2021 ALLOCATION	ACTUAL RELEASED Q1-Q3	PERFORMANCE	2022 PROPOSED
Ministry of Planning & Budget	Food And Nutrition Programme	30,000,000	Nil	0%	30,000,000
	Create nutrition desk and incorporate nutrition objectives into MDAs' development policies, plans and programmes.	697,000	Nil	0%	697,000
	Strengthen nutrition education and training in the curricula of early child care, primary and secondary schools	3,958,000	Nil	0%	3,958,000
	Monitor and evaluate micronutrient supplementation programme performance at LGA and community levels	18,886,000	Nil	0%	18,886,000
	Develop an advocacy and social mobilisation strategy for food and nutrition	245,000	Nil	0%	245,000
	Sustain advocacy to policymakers at all levels for resource mobilisation for food and nutrition activities	245,000	Nil	0%	245,000
	Conduct regular budget tracking; apply lessons learnt to all-levels of Food & Nutrition budgeting processes	11,191,000	Nil	0%	74,230,000
	Organize quarterly meetings of committee on Food and nutrition at all levels	2,640,000	Nil	0%	2,640,000
	Advocate, produce and disseminate State policy on Food and Nutrition and the strategic Plan at the State and Local Government Levels	16,690,000	Nil	0%	16,690,000
	Advocate for the Creation of budget lines on food and nutrition activities in MDAs/LGAs	6,231,000	Nil	0%	6,231,000
	Build the capacity of Nutrition desk officers in MDAs/LGAs through training & retraining on resource mobilisation and allocation	11,631,000	Nil	0%	11,631,000
	Conduct research, monitoring & evaluation on food and nutrition activities in collaboration with partners and private sector	74,230,000	Nil	0%	74,230,000
	Promote research on development of Nutritious diets from locally available staple foods for improved utilization and nutrition	1,697,000	Nil	0%	1,697,000
Total		583,285,732	6,804,325	1.16%	952,855,604

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Summary

It could be seen from the analysis above that while the Kano State Government has made significant efforts towards budgetary allocation for the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent and Elderly Health (RMNCAH) services in the state, there was no corresponding adequate budget releases especially for nutrition and pregnancy and childcare services highlighted in the budget. The non-releases of fund for the Implementation of Minimal Service Package (MSP) Investment Plan also called for concern. It could also be observed that the RMNCAH related budget lines were increased significantly in the proposed 2022 budget to about N2 billion from about N1 billion in the approved 2021 budget. This is evidenced in the fig 2 below.

Fig 1: RMNCAH Q3 2021 Budget Performance

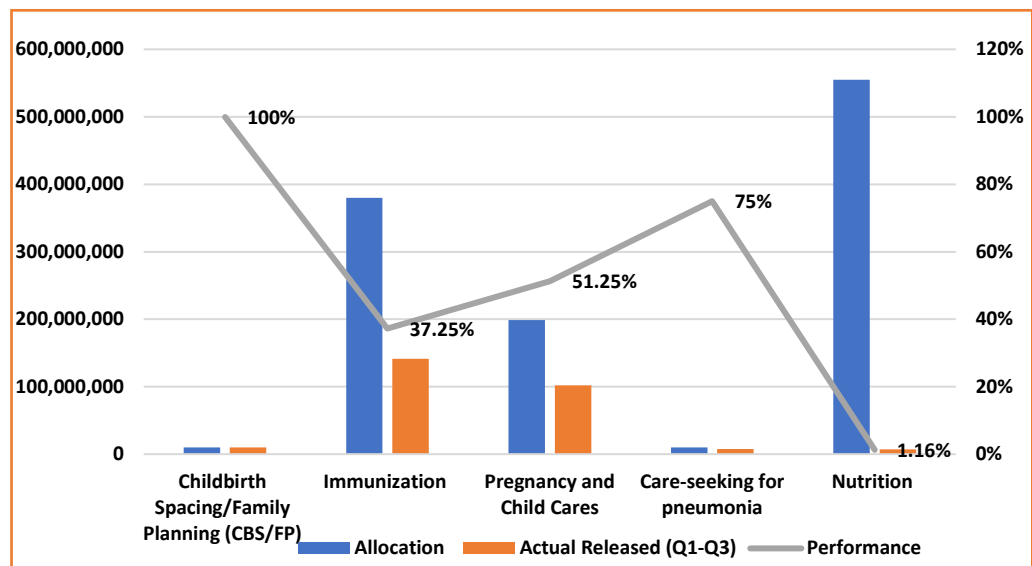
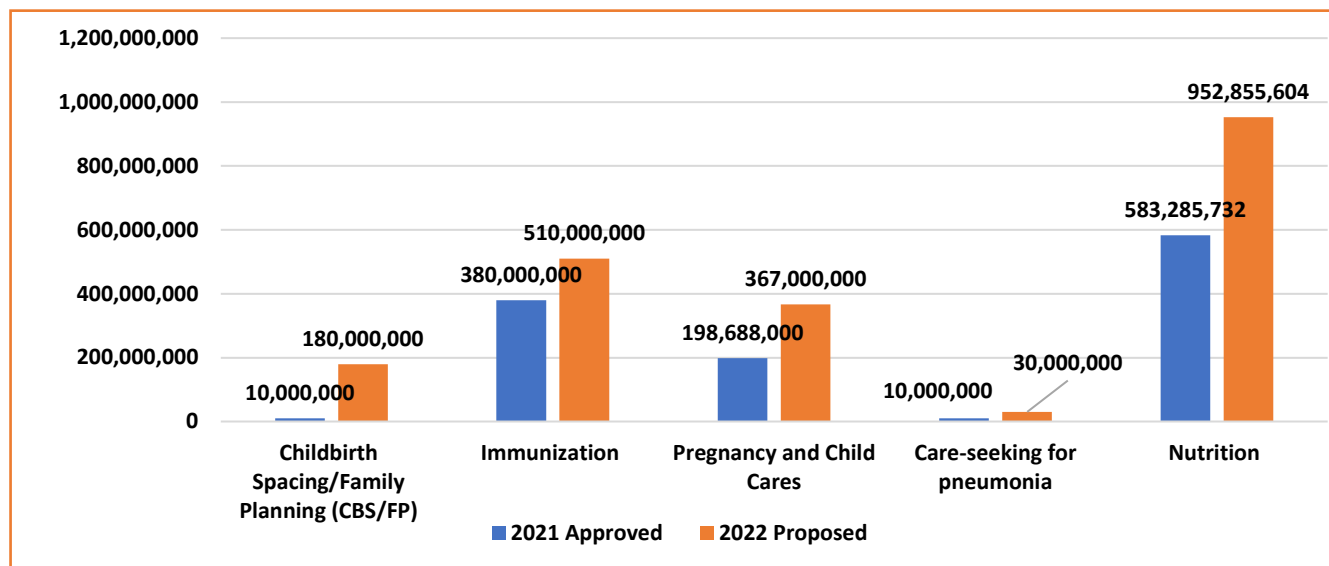


Fig 2: RMNCAH Proposed 2022 Budget in Million of Naira



Recommendations

- There is need to ensure adequate and timely releases of fund for the RMNCAH services in the state.
- Advocacy for the promotion of new attitudes, values and behaviour on RMNCAH funding.
- The government and the stakeholders need to intensify efforts towards the effective Implementation of Minimal Service Package (MSP) Investment Plan in the state.

References

- Kano State Approved 2021 budget
- Kano State Proposed 2022 budget