



Joint Assessment of National Health Strategies

Post Hammamet JANS roadmap for 2012, May 2012

Background

In follow up to the JANS consultation in Hammamet, the IHP+ ET asked the Core Team to provide a JANS roadmap for 2012 that would take forward the meeting's conclusions, and signal key tasks, responsibilities and timing. The draft roadmap was commented upon by the Executive Team. This amended road map reflects that feedback. To maintain momentum, work on different aspects of the Roadmap is already underway. Executive Team members continue to be asked for inputs. Progress will be reviewed regularly at Executive Team meetings.

The following have been taken into account in developing the roadmap:

- Country needs and activities as the prime focus.
- Balance between efficient use of people's time and sufficient inclusiveness.
- It is helpful to distinguish some of the more technical issues for countries to consider around doing One JANS which also takes a more in depth look at programmatic priorities, from issues related to different stakeholders' funding decisions.
- Inclusiveness in One JANS process will be best managed by encouraging engagement of key stakeholders at country level.

The proposed 2012 road map is not for the Core Team alone. It proposes different actions / responsibilities from all the different actors involved in the Hammamet meeting and on the ET.

The activities are grouped under 4 lines of work from now to December: actions related to

- Work with 3-4 countries to do a sector JANS which also takes a more in depth look at selected priority areas
- Better address different stakeholders' needs
- Anticipate increased demand for JANS: early warning, advance preparation to expand support capacity
- Improve communication and guidance

The attached spreadsheet spells these out in more detail.

Possible countries for One JANS

The IHP+ monthly matrix shows that 11, maybe 12, countries are considering a JANS this year. However, some are more advanced in their thinking than others. The Core Team is in the process of checking about their interest in being one of the 'One JANS' countries.

JANS 2012 Roadmap	Who?	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept - Dec
A) Work with countries to do a sector JANS which also takes an in depth look at selected priority areas								
1) Preparation with countries signalling intent for JANS in 2012								
a) Identify 3-4 interested countries to road-test this one sector JANS with an additional 'drill down in selected areas over the next 6 months; discuss in-country support capacity and possible additional support needs on case by case basis. Involves: relevant MOH players; WRs, TTLs, other development partners	Core Team to contact countries with interest							
b) in country, agree objectives, timing / process for conducting JANS; encourage MOH and others to ensure engagement of different stakeholders; start roll out; Core Team provides back stopping support as needed	MOH/WCO/TL/ other DPs etc							
2) Support countries on practical issues and options, to inform country preparations								
a) Small technical group produces a note on practical sector/programme issues, and on the One JANS concept, shared with four interested countries and the Executive Team, to be shared with the 4 countries for feedback, and with ET members, then amended based on comments and circulated widely.	technical group 3-4 people, then ET and four countries							
b) Product: by end May, have preliminary note on One Sector JANS with a selected priority programme focus, issues to consider and possible ways to handle these; comments through June								
3) Document experience: agree the key questions; commission documentation	core team to commission;							
4) Review experience in IHP+ country teams meeting								
5) Prepare guidance on One Sector JANS with selected priority programme focus	TBD							
B) Better address different stakeholders' needs								
1) Commission issues / options paper 'Ways to better align different players' needs from joint assessment approaches: findings from a consultation'. Inclusive consultation via phone interviews with key stakeholders from government, agencies and civil society. Build on output from technical group.	pair of consultants							
Step 1: identify suitable consultant/s, develop clear TORs	core team							
Step 2: comments on TOR from ET; finalize TOR	ET, core team							
Step 3: carry out review	consultants							
Step 3: meeting of senior country and DP staff to discuss the findings and way forward	core team							
2) Ensuring more systematic follow up: make part of any JANS discussion; incorporate follow up options into JANS orientation and guidance, with suggestions on options	core team / consultant							
C) Anticipate increased demand for JANS: early warning, advance preparation to expand support capacity								
1) Maintain monthly matrix of country indications of JANS interest	core team							
2) Increase active orientation on JANS within technical support agencies eg via events: WHO; WB; UNICEF; UNFPA; UNAIDS, bilaterals. Each agency to identify events /response	all agencies; core team if needed							
3) Develop explicit strategy to encourage S-S co-operation: identify what experience there is to draw on	TBD							
4) Agencies to indicate proposed actions for institutionalising JANS approach, and reducing separate appraisals	all agencies on ET as first step							
D) Improve communication and guidance								
1) 1 page summary of issues for discussion post Hammamet by different players a) government b) agencies (role of JANS in their funding processes; increasing support capacity, 'institutionalising' JANS; reducing separate appraisals; aligning w planning cycles) c) Civil society	volunteers from ET plus core team?							
2) simplified materials on JANS: standard slide set for general use/adaptation; briefing pack;	core team to commission;							
3) Review CS guidance for JANS, ensure aligned with other JANS materials; identify events to orient CSOs	IHP+ CS reps plus CSCG; core team							
4) Review of experience with JARs (already in IHP+ work plan, together with PNMCH):include section on JANS linking into these processes	Core Team, PNMCH, consultant							