

Workshop Wrap-Up: Key Insights and Outcomes

NUTRITION SOCIETY OF NIGERIA (NSN)
KATSINA STATE CHAPTER

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The 1st Annual Workshop and General Meeting has officially concluded, and the Nutrition Society of Nigeria is filled with immense gratitude. This event was a success thanks to the support and presence of our esteemed guests and stakeholders.

**GOVERNOR RADDA
VOWS TO END
MALNUTRITION**



Katsina State

*Your support has
provided a sturdy
foundation for
our work.*

With sincere gratitude

**Nutrition Society of
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Cross-section of dignitaries and guests at the NSN Katsina State Chapter 1st Annual Workshop & General Meeting

State Commits ₦1.7bn to Nutrition Programme as Govt Upgrades 268 PHCs, Targets 361

While declaring the workshop open at the Local Government Service Commission Hall, His Excellency, Governor Dikko Umaru Radda, pledged his administration's strong commitment to tackling malnutrition and improving public health across Katsina State, describing the fight against malnutrition as a top priority that is both a moral imperative and a strategic investment in the state's future prosperity.

₦26.7bn	Invested to upgrade and revitalise 268 Primary Health Centres, including renovation, motorcycle ambulances, medical equipment, and WASH improvements
₦1.7bn	Committed to the State Nutrition Programme and the State Committee on Nutrition for coordinated, sustainable interventions
₦700m	Released as counterpart funding under the ANRiN Project 2.0 to reduce malnutrition and improve child survival
₦950m	Approved for allowances to Katsina State medical students studying in Nigeria and abroad (2020–2023)
90,000+	Bags of food commodities distributed to vulnerable households across the state

The Governor further disclosed that additional Outpatient Therapeutic Programme (OTP) centres and nine stabilisation centres have been established to support children suffering from severe acute malnutrition, while over 400 tractors, improved seedlings and fertilisers have been distributed over the past three years to strengthen agricultural and food security. Seven comprehensive healthcare centres have also been upgraded to general hospitals, expanding access to advanced diagnostic and therapeutic services.

“Addressing malnutrition is not only a moral imperative but also a strategic investment in the future prosperity of our dear state.”

— Malam Dikko Umaru Radda, Executive Governor of Katsina State

Governor Radda acknowledged that infrastructure and funding alone cannot eliminate malnutrition, stressing the need for behavioural change, community participation and evidence-based interventions. He urged nutrition experts to promote exclusive breastfeeding, improve maternal nutrition, strengthen nutrition education, and make greater use of locally available food resources such as moringa to achieve balanced diets.

He also called on medical professionals trained with government support to give back by serving the state, noting that **“money is not everything; serving your people is a major responsibility.”**



His Excellency presenting an Award of Excellence to the Kanwan Katsina for his support to the Nutrition Society of Nigeria (NSN)

Earlier, the Chief Guest, Professor Kabir Ibrahim Matazu, Statistician-General of Katsina State, described nutrition as a strategic investment in human capital development, while Dr. Maimuna Aliyu Ladidi spoke on strengthening the role of nutritionists and dietitians within the healthcare system. The Chairperson of the Katsina State Nutrition Committee, Hajiya Rukayya Hamza Usman, praised the Governor for prioritising nutrition, and the Kanwan Katsina, Alhaji Usman Bello, called for deeper collaboration among stakeholders. Attendees included the Chief of Staff, Abdulkadir Mamman Nasir, members of the State Executive Council, NSN representatives, development partners and health professionals.



Dr. Maimuna L. Aliyu seated alongside the Chief of Staff Alhaji Abdulkadir Mamman Nasir

The NSN extend its deepest appreciation to His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Katsina State, **Mallam Dikko Umar Radda, PhD, CON**, for his continued commitment to public health and nutrition in Katsina State. Our incredibly grateful to Dr. Maimuna L. Aliyu, Vice President (North), for her insightful contributions and leadership throughout the event.



His Excellency, Governor Dikko Umar Radda, PhD, CON, delivering his keynote address



A cross-section of participants seated during the workshop



Dr. Maimuna L. Aliyu, Vice President (North), NSN, delivering the welcome address

Furthermore, we wish to recognize our dedicated MDAs, development partners, and key stakeholders, whose collaboration remains vital to our mission, as well as every nutritionist and dietitian who took the time to participate, share expertise, and contribute to the growth of our profession.



The Governor presenting an award to Professor Kabir Ibrahim Matazu for his impact on the society.

Meet the Katsina State Chapter Executive



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