MECS Nepal 2023 Dissemination Workshop

Session 2. How to improve sharing of information and coordination in the eCooking sector in Nepal: ideas for practical interventions.

How stakeholder collaboration and the MECS jigsaw theory of change helped identify projects

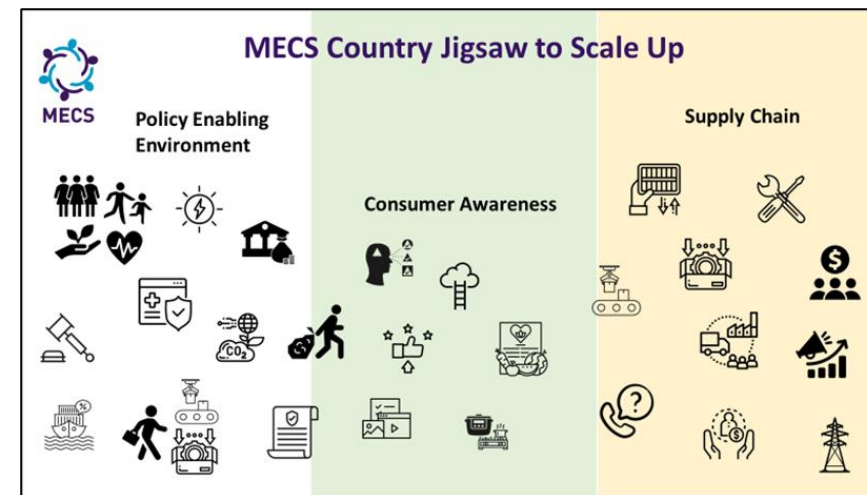**The MECS Jigsaw country level theory of change**

- Jigsaw of pieces, where all pieces need to be in place to enable eCooking scale up.

- The jigsaw framework consists of 3 core areas. Each consisting of various elements

Collaboration

- Ongoing stakeholder engagement in Nepal since the programme's inception in 2018

- 2022: MECS met with eCooking stakeholders in Nepal to discuss key questions for each jigsaw element.

Outcomes

- Possible to identify gaps in the Nepal jigsaw.

- 18 projects developed to help address gaps and support eCooking scale up in Nepal.

MECS Country Jigsaw to Scale Up

Key Questions
1. What work is currently taking place in Nepal for each element?
   a. Which stakeholders are involved?
   b. Stakeholders who could (should) be involved?
2. What is missing from each element?
   a. Who could (is best placed to) be involved in working on these missing components?
3. What opportunities are there for MECS to act?

Loughborough University   ESMAP Energy Sector Management Assistance Program   UKaid from the British people

Why we want to encourage information sharing and coordination in the eCooking sector

- Build on each others learnings

- Identify areas of collaboration/avoid duplication

- Share best practice

- Improve outreach to all parts of Nepal

- Enable a more rapid and effective transition to genuinely clean cooking in Nepal and the achievement of national eCooking targets

Meta cards

Current work, projects in the eCooking sector	Planned work, projects, aims, ambitions in the eCooking sector
Example: RBF eCooking pilot in South Lalitpur ▪ Sensitising local MFIs on eCooking in Province 2.	This doesn't need to be only finalised projects. Please also include aims and ambitions as well. Examples • **Project:** Developing eCooking repair and maintenance manual for vocational colleges in KTM valley. • **Aim.** Develop cost comparison data to support the promotion of eCooking by key government stakeholders such as NEA.

Following the workshop, we will collate and share the information on the meta cards as a starting point to help improve information sharing and coordination in the Nepal eCooking sector.

Ideas to improve sharing of information and coordination in the eCooking sector in Nepal going forward

- General agreement in the sector on the need to improve information sharing and coordination

- But how?

- What does improved information sharing and coordination look like ?

- Practical examples from other MECS priority countries
  - Utility hosted cooking demonstrations
  - Regular newsletter updates
  - Community of practice WhatsApp group

- But different country contexts may require different solutions

Group Discussion

- In groups, please brainstorm ideas for practical interventions on how to improve sharing of information and coordination in the eCooking sector in Nepal.

- Please note your ideas on the paper provided

- Time will then be provided to read and discuss the ideas from other groups