## Policies and Programmes (Indicator 1-10)

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## Practices (Indicator 11-15)

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## Total Score (Indicator 1-15): 88/150

### Key to scoring, colour- rating, grading and ranking:

1. The level of achievement of infant feeding practices is taken in 'percentage' except median duration, which is an absolute number of months.
2. For indicators 1 to 10, there is a sub set of questions leading to key achievement, indicating how a country is doing in a particular area. Each indicator has a maximum of 10.
3. In the case of indicators 11 to 15 on practices, key to rating is used from the WHO's "Infant and Young Child Feeding: A tool for assessing national practices, policies and programmes". Scoring and colour-rating are provided according to IBFAN Asia Guidelines for WBTi. Each indicator is scored out of a maximum of 10.
4. IBFAN Asia Guidelines for WBTi for rating individual indicators 1 to 15 are as: 0 - 3 is rated Red, 4 - 6 is rated Yellow, 7 - 9 is rated Blue and more than 9 is rated Green.
5. Total score of all indicators 1 to 15 is calculated out of 150.
### Key Gaps
- Funding are allocated as per request from Ministry of Health
- Limited capacity in implementation of Maternal, Infant & Young Child Nutrition (MIYCN)-related policies and funding allocations
- No accredited BFHI Hospitals
- No national standard for BFHI monitoring system in place
- No sustainable BFHI assessment system in place
- Constraints in human resource numbers and expertise dedicated to the development and implementation of the International Code
- International Code of Marketing adopted voluntarily, but not legislated
- No specific clause on breastfeeding breaks in national legislation
- Prior to October 2014, there is no compulsory provision for breastfeeding facilities in work places within the government and private sectors in the national legislation
- Provision of creches in workplaces is currently voluntary
- No standards and/or guidelines for mother-friendly and childbirth procedures
- Inadequate in-service training programmes related to IYCF for health professionals, social and community workers
- Inadequate numbers of volunteers and health care workers trained in counselling skills for infant and young child feeding
- Inadequate patient information materials on the risk of artificial feeding and preparation and handling of powdered infant formula
- Inadequate documentation on comprehensive policy and guidelines on HIV and infant feeding
- Inadequate focus on infant and young child feeding as part of emergencies preparedness plan
- Monitoring and evaluation of IYCF programme are only carried out during national nutritional and health surveys
- Lack of data management and analysis for generating information

### Key Recommendations
- To include MIYCN-related activities funding under the annual Performance Based Budgeting of Ministry of Health
- To widely disseminate MIYCN-related policies to both government and non-government sectors through roadshows, media campaigns, organize educational talks at respective ministries, organize joint events with NGOs
- To develop sustainable BFHI assessment system for BFHI accreditation in collaboration with external assessors and technical support from WHO and UNICEF
- To develop and implement national standard for BFHI monitoring system (Technical Working Group 1 and Technical Working Group 4 of MIYCN Taskforce)
- To formalize the Technical Working Group on the International Code
- To finalize and submit the draft on Health Worker’s Code to the Minister of Health for endorsement
- To incorporate the Health Worker’s Code in the proposed Health Care Facility Act Workshop to educate and raise awareness to all stakeholders and personnel
- To endorse Breastfeeding Breaks Policy by the government of Brunei Darussalam
- To establish on-site mother-and-baby-friendly childcare facilities
- To advocate for the endorsement of maternity protection policy encompassing the rights of women in all sectors
- To propose/advocate flexible working hours, part-time jobs and/or job sharing policy for breastfeeding mothers
- To propose/advocate Paternity Leave Policy
- To disseminate information on breastfeeding-friendly work policies to all agencies/sectors
- To develop standards, guidelines and policies for mother-friendly childbirth practices
- To introduce training programmes on mother-friendly childbirth practices among healthcare workers
- To expand the programme by increasing capacity, targeting more resources and training
- To include information on the risks of artificial feeding in the breastfeeding booklet
- To develop patient information leaflets on guidelines on safe preparation and handling of powdered infant formula (limited to specific patients)
- To strengthen and update documentation on policy and guidelines on HIV and infant feeding
- To incorporate IYCF component and training in emergency preparedness
- To work towards incorporating infant and young child feeding as part of emergencies preparedness plan with key stakeholders e.g. National Disaster Management Centre (NDMC), Ministry of Youth, Culture & Sports, NGOs, Brunei Darussalam Red Crescent Society, community volunteer groups
- To build capacity on data management and analysis
- To develop the monitoring and evaluation system/tools based on available tools from UNICEF such as WBTi
- To build monitoring and surveillance system of IYCF/MIYCN in the electronic health records (Brunei Darussalam Healthcare Information and Management System)
Brunei Darussalam’s Assessment Process

The assessment process was carried out by Maternal, Infant & Young Child Nutrition [MIYCN] Taskforce under the Ministry of Health, Brunei Darussalam. A preliminary assessment was done amongst few key members from MIYCN Taskforce through media communication and meetings. Following that, a two-day retreat was organized involving key members of the MIYCN Taskforce as well as other health professionals within the Ministry of Health and other non-health sectors (PAPPARSB Institute of Health Science, Universiti of Brunei Darussalam). The objectives of the retreat were:

- To introduce what is WBTi Tool
- To go through each 15 indicators
- To give and finalise the scores for each 15 indicators as well as sources use for the scores
- To mind-map gaps and recommendations for each indicators
- To share the process of the WBTi tool into making a Report Card

Outcomes from the retreat were then shared with the Director of Health Services, who is also the Co-Chair for MIYCN Taskforce, during the quarterly meeting of the taskforce with other members and relevant people, for verification and approval of the scores. Any new information, comments and suggestions were also incorporated into the assessment report during the meeting. The assessment report was sent to the Permanent Secretary of Ministry of Health, Chair for MICYN Taskforce, for final approval before sending to WBTi coordinating office (IBFAN).

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