Maintaining Nutrition as a priority during COVID-19

Nutrition included in the Socio-Economic Impact (monitoring & analysis) of COVID-19 and its implications on the SADC Region.

**Recommendations:** 
- Continuity of essential nutrition services for children and women of reproductive age.

- Repurposing of Nutrition budgets to support remote monitoring of Food and Nutrition Security.
- Education Sector: School meals programme amplified as one of the key safety nets targeting school aged children during COVID-19.
Strengthening Fisheries and Aquaculture during COVID-19 & Beyond

**Impacts** of the pandemic in the fisheries sector has been the disrupted supply chain, *market access* or *logistical problems* related to transportation and border restrictions.

- **Impact analysis with recommendations** across the value chain of fisheries & Aquaculture – endorsed by the Ministers in May 2020
- **Resource mobilisation**: SADC in discussion with AfDB on financing mechanisms to support Member States
- **Advocacy** through Regional platforms with partners and series of webinars; as well as development of policy briefs for dissemination
- **Capacity building** for MSs through online & virtual workshops
- **Strengthening the SADC Regional Fisheries Monitoring, Control and Surveillance**
- **Development of best practices for small-scale fisheries**, including building resilience to survive impacts of climate change, COVID-19 etc.
- **SADC Sec is profiling the regional aquaculture value chains** - currently with the aim of developing a business case (Webinar Series 10, 17 & 24 July to review the study report)