**NSCA 2.0 Stakeholder Training**

**Day 2: Kick-Off Exercise**

**Exercise Guidance**

**Focus of Exercise:** Outline major components to plan, resource, and budget for a successful NSCA implementation

**Supplies Needed:** Large post-it flipcharts, markers

**Support Materials Needed:** Budget checklist annex from implementation guide, sample budget template from implementation guide, timeline graphic for implementation from implementation guide, budget estimate annex from implementation guide

**Estimated Time:** 30 minutes

**Trainer Notes:**

* Split the trainees into 2 or 4 groups, depending on the size of the training group. Always include at least two groups. The ideal size of each small group is 4-6 people, if possible.
* Review the key goals of the task with all trainees:
  + Think about what is needed to run a successful national supply chain assessment
  + Start translating high-level concepts discussed in Day 1 into more clear-cut topics that should be addressed in a tangible way (e.g., budget, timeline)
* Ask Group A to spend the first 10 minutes focused on developing a list of the key tasks required to implement an NSCA and estimate how much time it will take to accomplish each key task.
* Ask Group B to spend the first 10 minutes focused on developing a list of the types of resources/materials required to implement an NSCA and then draft a high-level estimated budget
* As the two groups are working, circulate throughout the room and guide the teams with prompts including:
  + Consider what size country you are implementing an assessment in for this exercise
  + What kind of NSCA will be conducted: snapshot, targeted, full? What is the scope of the NSCA?
  + When thinking about what kinds of resources may be required, consider human, physical, and financial.
  + When considering timeline, be sure to consider: gaining stakeholder buy-in and investment, supply chain mapping and validation, training data collectors, data collection.
* After the first 10 minutes, ask Group A tables to present their exercise to the full group. Allow for some discussion. This segment should take about 10 minutes.
* After Group A has presented, then move to Group B tables and have those tables present their exercise to the full group. Allow for some discussion. This segment should take about 10 minutes.
* Close the exercise:
  + Remind the trainees that NSCA activities will vary greatly based on scope, interest, budget, size of country and that it is not surprising that an exercise like this one brings for the a variety of divergent budgets, timelines, etc.