Sierra Leone MDTF

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| Project Number: Joint Vision Programme Six | Programme Duration: 2011-2012 Estimated Start-Up Date: Nov 2011 |
| Project Title: Technical and operational support to indoor residual spraying (IRS) | Programme Location: Bo, Bombali ,Kono and Western Area Rural districts. |
| Project Description: The Ministry of Health and Sanitation will be supported to consolidate Indoor residual spraying (IRS) in previously sprayed districts and provide evidence to demonstrate the effect of combining Indoor residual spraying (IRS) with LLINS on malaria control. | Total Project Cost: \$350,000 [SL- MDTF]: Government Input: 0 Other: 0 GRAND TOTAL: \$350,000 |

Development Goal and Key Outcomes:

Developmental Goal: to support the Ministry of Health and Sanitation to demonstrate the effect of combining Indoor residual spraying(IRS) with LLINS on malaria control

Outcome 1: At least 80% of the population in the targeted areas covered by IRS

Outcome 2: the impact of combining Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) and Indoor residual spraying (IRS) of insecticides documented.

Outcome 3: National capacity for surveillance, monitoring and evaluation of malaria control interventions built.

Deliverables:

- 25,000 households resprayed

- Documentation of the impact of combining Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) and Indoor residual spraying (IRS) of insecticides at household level.
- Quarterly surveillance, monitoring and evaluation report

¹ The term "programme" is used for projects, programmes and joint programmes.

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Project Document

Executive Summary:

To achieve the goal of halting and beginning to reverse the incidences of malaria by 2015 requires concerted efforts by all stakeholders. The availability of tools to bring about a major reduction in deaths and illness from malaria, and the political commitment as shown in several resolutions and declarations globally and regionally, enforces the need for scaling up cost-effective malaria interventions in all high malaria transmission areas. The UN, as part of the Roll Back Malaria (RBM) partnership, will work with public and private sectors as well as communities to improve malaria control and treatment services throughout the country. Complementing the funding made available through the global fund and other sources, the UN's support will enhance the all-out efforts to ensure that the comprehensive package of malaria control interventions are implemented progressively in the same geographical area and eventually cover the whole country, in order to make an impact on people's lives. This accelerated control will require: universal access to Artemisinin-based combination therapy (ACT) treatment; implementation of integrated vector management; particularly undertaking mass campaigns to quickly scale up LLINs ownership and use, sustained by a well designed routine distribution system and by promotion of rational use using community based approaches. Also piloting of IRS in selected districts in view of scaling up for quick impact on malaria mortality and morbidity.

WHO will support the capacity building for effective surveillance, monitoring and evaluation. and strengthening programme management. In context of scaling up universal access to malaria control interventions, technical support will be provided to the NMCP to scale up Home based management of malaria (HMM) with emphasis on confirmatory diagnosis. To provide evidence to demonstrate the impact of IRS in combination with LLINS on malaria control, IRS activities will be documented and research including an impact assessment will be conducted

Situation analysis:

Malaria and poverty represent a vicious circle. For most endemic countries, the high burden of malaria is responsible for an estimated average annual reduction of 1.3 percentage point in economic growth and serious social disruptions arising from absence from work or school (7-12 days) due to acute disease episodes. Evidence from countries showed that in 2003, the direct cost of a single episode of malaria to household was US\$ 6.87 in Ghana, US\$ 4.80 in Uganda, US\$ 4.50 in Mali. In Sierra Leone, malaria is the leading cause of morbidity and mortality in children under five years, accounting for about 50% of outpatient visits and 38% admissions. Malaria-related illnesses contribute 38% and 25% child and all-ages mortality rates respectively. Effective tools and methods to combat malaria including is Artemisinin-based combination therapy (ACT), long-lasting insecticidal nets (LLIN) and intermittent preventive treatment in pregnancy (IPT) are available.

The country has adopted the ACT treatment policy in 2004 and is implemented nation-wide. Since 2006, over a million LLINs were distributed to under fives through Measles and Malaria mass campaign, improving LLIN coverage to 78% and 61% for under fives and pregnant women respectively. Routine distribution of LLINs is ongoing through antenatal and child immunization services. In 2007, 50% of all health facilities had a functioning diagnostic tool (microscopy or rapid diagnostic test)

Sierra Leone, in partnership with WHO, UNICEF and other development partners including World Bank, DFID, ALMA, IFRC & UMCOR launched a one-week campaign on 26th November 2010 to improve health indicators and reduce the high incidence of malaria-related deaths. The health campaign, the largest ever undertaken in the country, included the distribution of Long lasting

Insecticidal Nets (LLINs) to all households in the country and achieved universal access of (LLINs), a significant milestone towards attainment of the 2015 Millennium Development Goals (4,5 and 6) and the Roll Back Malaria targets.

3,254,927 insecticide-treated mosquito nets (LLINs) were distributed to every household with a national target of one net for two people (up to a maximum of 3 nets per household based on an average household size of six people).

Of the 1.2 million people estimated to require malaria medicines this year, there are available products for approximately 300,000. Effective distribution and utilization of medicines and use of vector control interventions is fundamental to ensure expected impact.

Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) have been the main vector control intervention applied in Sierra Leone for malaria control. Integrated Vector Management (IVM) has been adopted as a policy approach for the control of malaria and other vector borne diseases in order to diversify the vector control strategy. In line with, IRS was piloted in selected areas to gradually expand based on outcomes of the assessment and as capacity is built and experience is gathered.

Strategies including lessons learned and the proposed project

The WHO recommended strategies of malaria control include case management, vector control including LLINs, IRS; and intermittent preventive treatment for pregnant women (IPT). The Ministry of Health and Sanitation will be supported to consolidate Indoor residual spraying (IRS) in previously sprayed districts and provide evidence to demonstrate the effect of combining Indoor residual spraying (IRS) with LLINS on malaria control. The National capacity for surveillance, monitoring and evaluation of malaria control interventions and their impact will be strengthened.

Results framework

Joint Vision framework and benchmark

As part of the Joint Vision programme 6 on HIV/AIDS and malaria, this project contributes to the UN Joint Vision's broader effort to improve the national health services and in particular, a national infectious disease control programme that will contribute to the control of the most dangerous infectious diseases for Sierra Leone: through providing universal access to cost-effective malaria control interventions including long lasting insecticide treated nets; a national response to AIDS that can provide universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support.

Management and coordination arrangements

WHO will provide technical support to build the capacity of the national malaria control staff for effective monitoring and evaluation of malaria control interventions and intensive support to planning, preparation implementation and monitoring and evaluation of Indoor residual spraying (IRS) to the households.

The Ministry of Health and Sanitation, the main counterpart will be responsible for implementation and coordination at the districts with technical support of WHO.

Outcomes

At the end of the project at least 80% of the population in the targeted areas will be covered by IRS, the impact of combining Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) and Indoor residual spraying (IRS) of insecticides will be documented and the national capacity for surveillance, monitoring and evaluation of malaria control interventions will be built.

Deliverables

- 25,000 households resprayed

- Documentation of the impact of combining Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) and Indoor residual spraying (IRS) of insecticides at household level.
- Quarterly surveillance, monitoring and evaluation report

Fund management arrangements

WHO has signed the necessary MoU with the AA at the MDTFO to be a recipient of funds channelled through the SL-MDTF.

Monitoring, evaluation and reporting

Monitoring, evaluation and reporting will be done in accordance with the UNJV M&E framework.

Elements of the logical framework

| Results chain | Performance indicators |
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| Joint Vision Priority Area: Equitable and | |
| Affordable Health Service | |
| JOINT VISION BENCHMARK | |
| A national infectious disease control programme | |
| that will help control the two of the most | |
| dangerous infectious diseases for Sierra Leone : | |
| malaria and HIV/AIDS | |
| OUTCOME | 27 1 21 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 |
| Outcome 1: At least 80% of the population in the targeted areas covered by IRS | Number of households covered with IRS in targeted areas |
| Outcome 2: the impact of combining Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) and Indoor residual spraying (IRS) of insecticides documented. | malaria intervention impact report |
| Outcome 3: National Capacity for surveillance, monitoring and evaluation of malaria control interventions built. | Number of staff trained on surveillance, monitoring & evaluation Number of reports on surveillance, monitoring & evaluation |
| DELIVERABLE | |
| - 25,000 households resprayed | Number of households resprayed |
| - Documentation of the impact of combining Long Lasting Insecticide treated Nets (LLINs) and Indoor residual spraying (IRS) of insecticides at household level. | Malaria intervention impact report |
| Quarterly surveillance, monitoring and evaluation report | Number of reports on surveillance, monitoring & evaluation |

Legal Context or Basis of Relationship

Signatory to the Joint Vision as the UN's contribution to the GoSL Agenda for Change.

Work plans and budgets

| Activity | Geographic coverage | Timeframe | | | | | Budget (US\$ 000) |
|---|---------------------|-----------|-----|---------|---------|----------|----------------------|
| | | 2011 | | 2012 | | | |
| | | Nov | Dec | Jan-Mar | Apr-Jun | Jul-Sept | |
| Impact assessment of IRS/LLINs in reduction of deaths and illness in the 4 pilot districts | 4 districts | Х | X | X | X | X | 77,102.8 |
| Procurement of insecticides, maintenance of spray pumps including Technical assistance for maintaining and consolidation of IRS in the villages sprayed in the first round | National | х | × | X | X | X | 100,000 |
| IRS operations | Districts | Х | Х | Х | Х | Х | 100,000 |
| Support to the WHO country office to facilitate the implementation of the programme management, surveillance monitoring and evaluation | national | х | х | X | Х | × | 50,000 |
| Sub-total | | | | | | | 327,102.8 |
| Indirect costs | | | | | | | 22,897 |
| Grand Total | | | | | | | 350,000 |

UNDG standard Budget

| | Description | Amount US\$ |
|---|---|-------------|
| 1 | Supplies, commodities, equipment and transport | 100,000 |
| 2 | Personnel (staff, consultants, travel and training) | 100,000 |
| 3 | Training of counterparts | 61,000 |
| 4 | Contracts | |
| 5 | Other Direct costs | 66,102.8 |
| 6 | Indirect Costs | 22,897 |
| | TOTAL | 350,000 |