Djibouti ALMA Quarterly Report Quarter Two, 2023



Scorecard for Accountability and Action



Commodities Financed			
LLIN financing 2023 projection (% of need)			
Public sector RDT financing 2023 projection (% of need)			
Public sector ACT financing 2023 projection (% of need)			100
Policy			
Signed, ratified and deposited the AMA instrument at the AUC			
Malaria activities targeting refugees in Malaria Strategic Plan			
Malaria activities targeting IDPs in Malaria Strategic Plan			
Zero Malaria Starts With Me Launched			
End Malaria Council and Fund Launched			
Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact			
Drug Resistance Monitoring Conducted (2018-2020) and data reported to WHO			
Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010			4
Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data reported to WHO			
National Insecticide Resistance Monitoring and Management Plan			
RDTs in stock (>6 months stock)			
ACTs in stock (>6 months stock)			
LLIN/IRS campaign on track	Γ		
Operational LLIN/IRS coverage (% of at risk population)	•		74
On track to reduce case incidence by ≥40% by 2021 (vs 2015)			
On track to reduce case mortality by ≥40% by 2021 (vs 2015)			
Tracer Indicators for Maternal and Child Health, NTDs ar	d C	ovid	19
Scale of Implementation of iCCM			
Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2021)			
Estimated % of children (0–14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2022)			
Vitamin A Coverage 2021 (2 doses)			
DPT3 coverage 2022 (vaccination among 0-11 month olds)			59

Nearly 50% of the population of Djibouti is at low risk of malaria, while the remaining in the desert is free of malaria. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 58,916 and 19 deaths.

Key



Target achieved or on track Progress but more effort required Not on track No data Not applicable

Malaria

Progress

The country continues to work on strengthening and maintaining health services following the devastating impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. In this regard, Djibouti has sufficient funds to procure the necessary ACTs for 2023. The country has carried out insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO and has completed the insecticide resistance management and monitoring plan. The national strategic plan includes activities targeting refugees. The country should consider establishing an End Malaria Council and Fund to enhance domestic resource mobilization and multi-sectoral action.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2021 was 58,916 and 19 deaths.

Key Challenges

- Increases in malaria cases have been experienced in the country since 2015.
- Invasion of the *Anopheles stephensi* mosquito leading to increased urban malaria transmission.

Previous Key Recommended Actions

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Policy	Sign, ratify and deposit the AMA instrument at the AUC	Q1 2023		No progress reported

The country has responded to the recommended actions on drug resistance monitoring and finalising the insecticide resistance management and monitoring plan and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

RMNCAH and NTDs

Progress

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Djibouti is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for soil transmitted helminths. Preventive chemotherapy coverage in Djibouti is zero for soil transmitted helminths (0%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for Djibouti in 2021 is 0, with no change compared with the 2020 index value (0).

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NTDs	Recognising the negative impact of COVID-19 on the 2021 MDA coverage, ensure that NTD interventions including MDA for Soil Transmitted Helminths is implemented. Given Djibouti last reported data in 2015 to WHO/HQ, if new epidemiological data are available, this should be submitted to WHO using EPIRF and then the country can be classified as not requiring PC for STH, based on recent epi results	Q4 2023		Deliverable not yet due
Optimise quality of care	Address the falling coverage of DPT3	Q2 2023		The country identified two major reasons for the decrease in DPT3 coverage, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic which led to a low demand for services, as well as Inadequate reporting were some data were not automatically recorded. Faced with this worrying situation, the country has worked to strengthen routine vaccination. This has involved capacity building of vaccinators and formative supervision. These actions have made it possible to improve the coverage of Penta 3 in 2022 by reaching 75% coverage. In 2023 an acceleration strategy which consists first of identifying those lost to follow-up and then vaccinating them to complete their schedule which combines the fixed and forward strategy is ongoing. This also provides an opportunity to find zero dose children

Djibouti has also responded positively to the RMNCAH recommended actions addressing lack of data on vitamin A coverage and low coverage of ARTs in children, with recent increases in coverage and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

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Action achieved
Some progress
No progress
Deliverable not yet due