

Agenda

- Introductions (36 participants)
- Working group updates
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<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KLZYWDM>

The AMP team is looking for a Consultant to Support the Improvement of Operational Efficiency of ITN Campaigns

<https://reliefweb.int/job/3673753/support-improvement-operational-efficiency-itn-campaigns>

Working group updates

Updates provided during the call: **Innovation and Evaluation working group**

- The IEWG Co-Chairs have presented new focus areas during the call. Detailed presentation attached to the AMP conference call minutes.



IEWG Presentation_
October 2020_FINAL.p

- Menti poll results will be presented during next AMP conference call

Country Updates

Updates provided during the call: **Zambia, Ethiopia, Sudan, Liberia, Mauritania, Haiti, Pakistan, DRC, Comoros, Madagascar, CAR**

Zambia

- Country started health facility training. This week the training is taking place in 2 provinces, next week the training will start in remaining provinces.
- Mass campaign timelines had to be revised due to delays in net deliveries for certain provinces: big part of the ITNs have been received already or scheduled to be delivered mid-October. Few provinces expect nets to be delivered in November and December,

distributions will take place in rainy season, this might affect the campaign timelines further and distribution in some provinces might spill over to 2021

- Team has done an extensive work on SBC component. All posters and materials are printed and distributed in provinces. Malaria theme song has been composed and will be airing on the radio
- IRS activities currently ongoing in the country, side by side to the ITN related work

Ethiopia

- Campaign has been completed in Afar region
- Overall, more than 3 mln ITNs have been distributed so far in 3 regions (more than 100 districts)
- Country team is actively engaging with communities and their respective leaders, working together on ITN disbursements and planned distributions
- After campaign country is planning to proceed with post distribution activities: organize campaign review meeting to reevaluate the campaign and collect lessons learned, Health extension workers will be traveling and visiting the households, checking the use of ITNs and providing education on daily use of nets; utilization survey is routinely done throughout the year

Sudan

- Country program manager has resigned this week, new person has been identified and will be taking the position soon. Teams are looking forward to engaging and working with the new program manager
- Team is working with GF, discussing possible ways to further support the work in country and provide necessary resources for the campaign
- Nets are still in the Sudan port and haven't been dispatched to the regions. Due to demonstrations in country the port has been closed, some of the net deliveries have been delayed by 4 weeks. This is now becoming a major risk for the ongoing campaign to spill over to 2021
- A separate call with partners will be organized to discuss the delays and find the solutions for maintaining the implementation of the campaign in 2020. Sylvia from GF will identify key partners for the call

Liberia

- Country team is in retreat again this week. They are revising strategies and related documents, finalizing campaign PoAs
- As the country is opting for a hybrid distribution strategy. The microplanning will take place before the end of the year. The HH assessment will take place everywhere in country and then different strategies for distribution will be used for rural and urban regions. Single D2D with proactive capping for Urban regions and D2D registration and fixed site distribution with reactive capping for rural regions
- Due to selected strategy, a major work needs to take place in defining areas as urban or rural. Country will identify the areas from operational point of view rather than technical

- Strategy and all planned activities need to be translated into budget for teams to be able to review against available funding and make necessary adjustments, identify and address potential funding gaps
- The country team hasn't selected their service provider yet, this critical activity needs to take place as soon as possible
- SBC activities are being discussed in terms of adaptations to COVID-19 pandemic context

Mauritania

- Campaign was delayed from May to 20 October for 4 out of 21 regions and 30 October for the remaining regions. Teams are now preparing for upcoming distribution
- Depending on ITNs deliveries the campaign might be further sequenced, 3rd phase taking place in mid-November
- Training of trainers for logistics and implementation should start on 8 October
- Some access issues have been identified due to flooding in country, teams are working on possible solutions for affected areas

Haiti

- The country is planning to start Training for trainers next week. The start of distribution is planned for 19 October in one of the regions -le Sud.
- More work needs to be done on SBC activities, a lot of materials are not yet ready, team is evaluating the risks of delays for the start of the campaign in le Sud
- Teams have discussed waste management; country team need to further map out the options
- PPEs have been procured and should be delivered before the start of the campaign

Pakistan

- Team has done the bids for transportation services
- The campaign is scheduled to start 16 November
- Tripartite agreement has been drafted and reviewed by teams, should be signed this week
- PPE procurement should be finalized this week as well
- Teams had extensive discussion on security issues. For the security of goods all transporters will have insurance and 2 security guards will be hired. For personnel security options are still being discussed, main partners have identified security of personnel as low risk
- Job descriptions have been prepared and reviewed; recruitment process will start shortly. Direct recruitment might be applied for certain positions to speed up the overall process
- Country team still needs to have discussions on additional nets available

DRC

- Team is working with challenging timelines of the campaign and important delays. PPE procurement has been seriously delayed.

- Overall, 17 mln nets need to be distributed in country. Partners are engaging in discussions on possible ways to speed up distribution to be able to deliver against planned targets. One of the options discussed was to drop initially planned sequenced distribution and to opt for clustering approach, roll out some of the distributions in parallel
- Teams are now working on defining clustering strategy and identifying additional resources needed to implement.
- Clustering of the distributions will take into account specific needs of regions, planned net arrival and malaria burden indicators
- DRC situation is now critical, and partners need to find solution. There is a risk that the campaigns spill over to 2021 and 2020 planned targets will not be achieved

Comoros

- The country has finished the campaign

Madagascar

- National regulations are allowing group gatherings up to 200 people. Team is having difficulties to convince country teams to follow global regulations instead of national ones. Keeping in mind budget gap these negotiations are likely to be difficult
- Different strategies have been presented to country team, a hybrid version has been selected
- Teams are working on macroplanning activities, should be finished shortly

CAR

- Distribution timelines have been revised due to PBO net arrival. The country has opted for the PBO net distribution and shifted campaign timelines in accordance to PBO net arrival schedule

AOB

- A gap has been identified in routine distribution adaptations to COVID-19 context. AMP has included this thematic area as a part of work on guidelines development funded by GF.
- Marcy is organizing consultations with partners to make to align this scope off work with other activities that partners are undertaking
- Marcy has developed a streamlined mass campaign tracker, consulting partners for review, will present finalized version on AMP conference call

Do you have a topic / issue / country specific update to share with the AMP partnership?

Send a summary of the topic you would like to discuss

to **Egle.ALEKNAITE@ifrc.org** or **jason.peat@ifrc.org** and AMP will schedule your update at the start of an upcoming AMP conference call.