









EXPANDING THE OWNERSHIP AND USE OF MOSQUITO NETS





AMP Annual Partners Meeting

- 19-20 Feb 2024
- 8 Mövenpick Hotel & Residences

Campaign **Digitalization Meeting**

- 21-22 Feb 2024
- 9 Mövenpick Hotel & Residences

Rukaari Medard National ITNs Coordinator _Uganda

Internal









BYOD for Digitalization of the ITNs UCC

- Started > Trial to minimize paper
 2017/18
- ✤ Scaled up 2020 ➤ C19 adaption

Operationalized
 Institutionalization
 2023









Chase Malaria to Zero











Internal









Overview: Campaign Digitalization

EDMIS

(ELECTRONIC DATA MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM)

- EDMIS is a robust data collection and analysis tool that is purpose built.
 Digitizing, automating and managing the household-based datasets during the campaign .
- The system has :
 - online and
 - offline functionalities
- works on
 - Android mobile phones: <u>Android 4.0</u>
 - Laptop computers.









Development & Testing

- Locally developed
- Locally piloted

Funded:

 GF for 2017/2018 & 2020 & 2023 ITN campaign

Quality assurance

- AMP
- AMF

Key Features

- 1. Android mobile app
- 2. Web-based system
- 3. GIS/GPS integration
- Individual household registration and distribution
- 5. 105% verification
- Administration/Location Unit Assignment
- 7. Dashboards and custom reports
- 8. Access control
- 9. Audit logging









Customisation of BYOD for VHT/ DEC & Supervisors

VHTs / DECs must:

- Own Android 4.0
- Ability to use smart phone
- Ability to read write English
- Must be CoRP
- Trainable to operate a smart phone
- Available for work beyond normal hours
- Physically fit for the exercise

M&E Supervisors must:

- Own a personal laptop
 - Ability to use computercustomised databases like Epidata
 - Skills and proven ability to enter data at the required speed
 - Experience in data entry
 - Maintain a minimum acceptable level of erroneous entries







WHAT LED TO THE USE OF BYOD INSTEAD OF PROCURING DEVICES

- Insufficient ICT to cover the entire country
- Very expensive to procure ICT for the campaign
- High risk associated with retrieval processes
- Failure to repurpose ICT from
 - C19-IT equipment
 - Data science catalytic fund (eCHIS scale up)
- Effect of procurement lead time for the devices
- New device need comprehensive training for mastering use
- Difficult for asset management procedures
- Lack of an acceptable disposal plan
- Procurement conditions









Some key achievements / best practices

- Existing digital investment
 - GF funding
 - UNICEF funding
 - PMI/USAID
- Minimal data loss
- Total government & donor support
- Option for both on-line & off-line exercise
- Over 35,000 users at the same time on web interface.
- Option for manual extraction & SMS
- Online training & demonstration
- Faster reconciliation
- Builds confidence DECs



Key Issues, Action Taken & Recommendations

Area	Issue		Action Taken		Recomm.
Data upload	Delayed data upload to central servers so as to ensure 100% accountability of nets.	•	Data bundles were given to VHTs to facilitate data synchronization VHTs with poor internet connection were gathered in spots with faster internet connections to facilitate timely upload of data.	•	VHTs to have data for synchronization before registration and distribution
	Some VHTs collected data in training or validation mode and therefore does not contribute to the final accountability.	•	To move such data with helper of developer to HHs & distribution model	•	Web user management module should be developed SOP for training package



Key Issues, Action Taken & Recommendations

Area	Issue	Action Taken	Recom
ICT	Some VHTs phones not compatible to the version of the application.	Standardized the ICT to be deployed for the BYOD _EDMIS	• Map ICT needed for deployment during microplanning
	Lost phones/laptop during implementation leading to loss of data	Precautions taken on data loss though loss of a device	• Daily data submission should be encouraged
Literacy levels	Some VHTs could not apprehend digitalisation package for implementation	Encouraged such VHTs to work with their children or friends for continuous improvement	• Review selection criteria for DEC instead of VHTs



Key Issues, Action Taken & Recommendations

B

Area	Issue	Action Taken	Recomm.
Remuneration	Some DECs withholding on the data for payment reasons	Streamlined timely payment	• Payment should be prepared in advance awaiting for data submission
	Use of allowance to hire devices	Discouraged borrowing of devices during the BYOD	• No borrowing of devices by the DECs
System Support (EDMIS)	System down time	Recruited the data base and system admin for continuous system monitoring	• Identify competent persons for deployment



Key Lessons Learnt

- BYOD is a cheap digital process due to utilisation of existing tools
- It's very easy for institutionalisation considering the local capacity
- It promotes more technology to match the international standards
- It's has minimal errors during data reconciliation especially when training was robust
- It attracts more funding considering minimal budget gaps
- Special circumstances might need paper based registration & distribution
- It needs a simplified application to ease timely learning
- Data bundles can be used for other purposes rather than the campaign









THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA MINISTRY OF HEALTH



THANK YOU

Internal