

Global MNT Update as of 1st May 2009

Update on activities in 2008 and Quarter 1 of 2009:

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Countries validated to have eliminated MNT in 2009:

1. Republic of the Congo
2. Turkey

Countries that have started the process for MNT validation in 2009:

1. Benin
2. Burundi
3. Comoros
4. Ghana
5. Guinea-Bissau
6. Liberia
7. Sierra Leone

Countries that have completed planned activities and are being evaluated whether elimination can be claimed:

1. Madagascar
2. Mozambique
3. Equatorial Guinea

Countries that have not eliminated MNT and do not have TT-SIAs planned in 2009:

1. China
2. India
3. Iraq
4. Nigeria
5. Papua New Guinea
6. Philippines

Countries that have TT-SIAs planned in 2009:

1. Afghanistan
2. Angola
3. Burkina Faso
4. Cambodia
5. Cameroon
6. Central African Republic
7. Chad
8. Cote d'Ivoire
9. DR Congo
10. Ethiopia
11. Gabon
12. Guinea
13. Haiti
14. Indonesia
15. Kenya
16. Laos PDR
17. Mali
18. Mauritania
19. Myanmar
20. Niger
21. Pakistan
22. Senegal
23. Somalia
24. Sudan
25. Tanzania
26. Timor Leste
27. Uganda
28. Yemen

Afghanistan:

- A joint WHO-UNICEF review in August 2008 identified the remaining **high risk districts (HRDs)** in need of 1, 2 or 3 rounds of **TT-Supplemental Immunization Activities (SIAs)**.
- All activities are expected to be completed by May 2010. Validation of MNT Elimination is currently scheduled in 2011.

2009 update:

- Preparations have begun for the first round of TT-SIAs in 203 HRDs targeting 2.59 million women of reproductive age (WRA). The round is scheduled from 15th to 21st June 2009.
- Of the 203 HRDs that will conduct TT-SIAs in June 2009, 89 will conduct one more round and 12 will need two more rounds later in 2009 and 2010.

Angola:

- A joint WHO-UNICEF review in May 2008 identified 164 HRDs to be targeted in two overlapping phases in 2008 to 2010.
- First round of 1st phase was implemented in November 2008 and province wise data shows that all but 2 regions (Banguela 67% and Huambo 75%) *reached 80% or more WRA*.
- After completion of SIAs in February 2010, a few poor performing districts may require an additional round. Validation of MNT Elimination is currently scheduled in 2011.

2009 update:

- Second round of TT-SIAs was conducted in end February/early March 2009 to target 2.9 million WRA in 81 HRDs. Coverage data is not yet available.
- A review of districts' performance, to identify the causes of relatively poor performance and corrective actions to be implemented before the next rounds, is planned in 4 - 6 May 2009.

Burkina Faso:

- Last phase of TT-SIAs in 15 HRDs in scheduled in 2009.
- Some districts may require an additional round after completion of this phase but all activities are expected to be completed in 2009. Validation of MNT Elimination is expected in 2010.

2009 update:

- The first round of TT-SIAs in 15 HRDs was implemented on 20-24 February 2009 targeting 879,598 WRA. Coverage data is awaited.
- The second round was delayed due to Polio NIDs and conducted from 17 to 21 April 2009.
- The third round will be held in November 2009.

Cambodia:

- Last phase of TT-SIAs is being conducted now. Activities will be completed by August 2009.
- Validation of MNT Elimination is scheduled in 2010.

2009 update:

- First round of TT-SIAs targeting 200,114 WRA in 301 factories around the country was implemented in a phased manner beginning in October 2008 and finishing in March 2009.
- Second round was begun in November 2008 and completed in April 2009. Complete coverage data for both rounds is awaited.
- Third round is scheduled in August 2009.

Cameroon:

- Last phase of activities being conducted and will be completed by October 2009. Additional corrective round in a few districts will also be implemented in 2009.
- Validation of MNT Elimination scheduled in 2010.

Q1 2009 update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009. Third/ last round scheduled in October 2009 to target 1.2 million WRA in 50 HRDs.

Central African Republic:

- Nation wide TT-SIAs conducted in one phase in 2008 and 2009. An additional corrective round in some poor performing districts will be completed during 2009.
- Validation of MNT Elimination is scheduled in 2010.

2009 update:

- The third and last round of the nation wide TT-SIAs targeting more than 1 million WRA was completed in February 2009
- A *joint WHO/ UNICEF country mission* for in-depth districts MNTE risk assessment is being planned in Q2 of 2009.

Chad:

- Current 4 year plan for MNT elimination proposes implementation of three rounds of TT-SIAs in a subset of HRDs every year between 2008 & 2011.
- Two rounds of the first phase conducted in 2008 and the third round is planned in mid 2009.

2009 update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

(The Republic of) Congo:

- Following country's claim of MNT Elimination last year an LQA was conducted in the country in March 2009 which validated MNT Elimination in Congo Brazzaville.

Cote d'Ivoire:

- All needed TT-SIAs were conducted in 2 overlapping phases between December 2007 and March 2009.
- A few districts will require an additional round which will be completed in 2009.
- Validation is scheduled in 2010.

2009 update:

- Third round of TT-SIAs targeting 4.98 million WRA in 72 HRDs was implemented in March 2009.
- A review of districts' MNT risk status and performance is planned in Q2/Q3 2009 to assess if the country is ready for validation of if some rounds need an additional round of TT-SIAs.

DR Congo:

- All needed TT-SIAs were planned in 3 overlapping phases between 2007 & 2009.
- All activities including a corrective round in a few districts will be completed in 2009, provided funding needs are met.
- Validation is currently expected in 2010.

2009 update:

- *Third and last round of TT-SIAs targeting 4.34 million WRA was scheduled for April/ May 2009. Fund raising efforts are underway but the TT-SIAs will likely be postponed for a few months due to non-availability of funds.*

Ethiopia:

- Since 2007 TT-SIAs have been integrated with the biannual Enhanced Outreach Strategy (EOS).
- All activities including the corrective rounds are expected to be completed by end 2009.
- Validation is currently scheduled for 2010.

2009 update:

- Third round of TT-SIAs was conducted in Tigray (4 zones) and Afar (5 zones) in *January 2009* targeting almost 1 million WRA.
- Second round of TT-SIAs was conducted in 2 zones of Somali region in *February 2009* targeting 337,000 WRA.
- First round in a series of two corrective rounds in 6 zones scheduled for February/ March 2009 has been postponed to *May 2009*.
- Preparations have begun for the *May 2009 round of EOS* when more than 3 million WRA will be targeted with 2nd or 3rd round of SIAs in various zones

Gabon:

- A review in May 2008 identified the need to implement in 20 HRDs in Gabon.

2009 update:

- First round of TT-SIAs targeting 88,000 WRA in 20 HRDs will be implemented in *May 2009*.

Guinea Conakry:**2009 update:**

- Third/ last round of TT-SIAs in 2 last HRDs targeting 94,000 WRA is being implemented from *27th April to 1st May 2009*. These are expected to be the last TT-SIAs in the country.
- A review of MNT risk status of all districts is scheduled in *Q2/Q3 of 2009* to assess if the country can claim elimination. Validation is currently scheduled in early 2010.

Haiti:

- A plan for 2008-2009 was prepared in 2007 to target 14 HRDs in two phases.
- First round of 1st phase was conducted in 2008. No further activities conducted.

2009 update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.
- There is need to conduct an MNT risk assessment and district performance review.

India:

- No TT-SIAs conducted since 2000. None are currently planned for 2009.
- State by states validation for MNT Elimination was begun in 2003. By end 2008 15 of the 33 states had been validation for MNT Elimination.
- State by state validations will continue on 2009. There are plans for NT incidence surveys in selected high risk states.

Indonesia:

- A review in April 2007 identified need for additional TT-SIAs rounds in 47 HRDs.
- One round of SIAs in 27 HRDs was conducted in 2008 with the remaining scheduled in 2009.
- A phased approach to MNT Elimination has been agreed on. Validation of MNT Elimination in the first group of 5 provinces is scheduled in July 2009 and in 8 provinces in November 2009.

2009 Update:

- Preparations are underway to begin a series of corrective rounds in 20 HRDs in *April/ May 2009* to target 678,000 WRA.
- At least 7 of these HRDs will need an additional round later in the year.
- A performance review in the 27 districts that conducted one round of TT-SIAs in 2008 is scheduled in the *last week of May 2009*.

Kenya:

- A review in October 2007 identified 38 HRDs for MNT.
- Two rounds of TT-SIAs conducted in 2008 and the 3rd is planned in June/ July 2009.

2009 update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009. As performance during the 1st two rounds was not satisfactory, a performance review is planned 17 to 20th May to identify and address issues before the third round.

Lao PDR:

- A review in Q3 2008 identified 100 HRDs. TT SIAs are expected to begin in December 2009.

2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Mali:

- A review in May 2007 identified 16 and 8 HRDs that require 1 and 2 rounds of TT-SIA, respectively.
- All activities except round 2 in 2 HRDs conducted in 2008. Last round is scheduled in 2009.
- Validation of MNT elimination is scheduled in 2010.

2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Mauritania:

- All districts in country were identified as HRDs in 2007. 1st phase targeting 27 HRDs was completed in November 2008.
- The second phase targeting the remaining 26 HRDs is scheduled in 2009.

2009 Update:

- The first round of the 2nd/last phase of TT-SIAs to target 463,000 WRA in 26 HRDs was scheduled from 26th to 30th April 2009.

Myanmar:

- A district data review identified 7 HRDs in need of a corrective action which is scheduled in mid 2009. These are expected to be the last SIAs in Myanmar.
- Validation of MNT elimination is scheduled in 2010.

Q1 2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Niger:

- TT-SIAs in HRDs are being implemented in multiple overlapping phases. Two rounds of SIAs in 4 HRDs were conducted in 2008 and the 3rd is planned in 2009. A new phase, expected to be the last one, in 12 HRDs will also be implemented in 2009.
- A performance review to identify remaining HRDs to be targeted in 2009 is scheduled in Q2/Q3 2009.
- Provided funding needs are met all SIAs are expected to be completed in 2009 with validation currently scheduled in 2010.

Q1 2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Pakistan:

- A joint WHO-UNICEF review in June 2008 identified 42 HRDs in need of 3 rounds, 20 HRDs in need of 2 rounds and 8 HRDs in need of 2 rounds in selected sub-district areas.

2009 Update:

- Due to funding constraints, TT-SIAs were begun in 1 province only. First round in 6 HRDs was implemented in February 2009 and the second round in April 2009.

Senegal:

- All planned TT-SIAs were completed in 2008. Corrective rounds will be completed in 2009.
- Validation of MNT Elimination is scheduled in 2010.

2009 Update:

- A districts performance assessment conducted in January 2009 identified two remaining HRDs with 27,000 WRA in need of TT-SIAs.
- Preparations are underway to implement the corrective round in these 2 HRDs in May 2009.

Somalia:

- The 2008-2010 plan proposed implementation of country wide TT-SIAs as part of bi-annual CHDs.

2009 Update:

- 1st CHDs were begun on 26th December 08 and were completed in a phased manner by mid-April 2009. Almost 1.6 million WRA in 113 HRDs were targeted for TT vaccination.
- 2nd CHDs are expected to begin in June 2009.

Sudan-North:

- A review in 2008 identified 75 HRDs in need of TT-SIAs.
- One rounds of the first phase conducted in 2008. Two rounds of this phase and 2 additional phases are scheduled in the 2009-2010.
- Validation of MNT Elimination is currently scheduled in 2011.

2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Sudan-South:

- Since 2001, TT-SIAs are conducted linked to other interventions as opportunities arise.
- Only 1 round of TT-SIAs in 4 HRDs could be conducted in 2008 due to funding constraints.
- TT-SIAs are scheduled in 11 HRDs in 2009.

2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Tanzania:

- A review in July 2008 identified 15 HRDs. All three rounds of TT-SIAs will be completed in 2009.

2009 Update:

- Preparations are underway for the 1st round of TT-SIAs targeting 1.2 million WRA in 15 HRDs scheduled 23 - 24 May 09, second round on 27 - 28 June 09 and third round in Dec 09/Jan 2010.

Timor Leste:

- A review in August 2007 identified all 13 districts in the country as HRDs. Two rounds in these HRDs were conducted in Q4 2008 and the last round is scheduled in 2009.

2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.
- Integrated TT (3rd round) and Measles SIAs are scheduled in early June 2009.

Turkey:**2009 Update:**

- Following country's claim of MNT Elimination last year an LQA was conducted in Turkey in March 2009 which validated MNT Elimination status of the country.

Uganda:

- A review in August 2007 identified 5 HRDs in need of 2 rounds and 2 HRDs in need of 1 round.
- Two rounds in 5 HRDs were conducted in Q4 2008 and the remaining rounds are scheduled in 2009.

2009 Update:

- No activities conducted in Q1 2009.

Yemen:

- A joint WHO-UNICEF review in March 2008 identified 284 HRDs in need of 1, 2 or 3 rounds to be implemented in a phased manner between April 2008 and December 2009.
- First two rounds of the first phase targeting 0.9 million WRA were conducted in 2008. Funding gaps may lead to delay in implementation of third rounds. Fund raising efforts are under way.
- Provided funding needs are met and SIAs implemented as scheduled MNTE validation may be possible in 2010.

2009 Update:

- First round of 2nd phase implemented in January 2009 targeting 2.1 million WRA in 230 HRDs.
- Preparations are underway for the second round of this phase scheduled in May 2009. Some funding gaps need to be filled for implementation of this round on time.
- The third round of both 1st and 2nd phase will be conducted together in Q4 2009.