



COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Partnership

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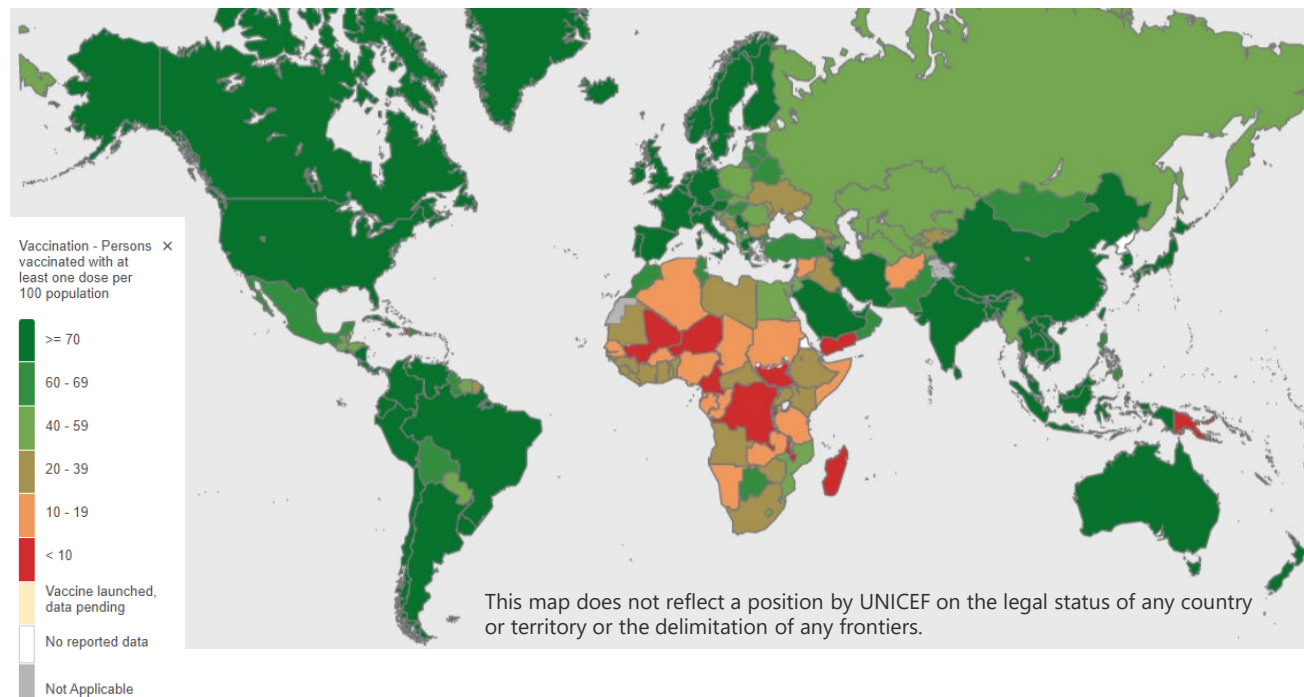
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Item 4 (b): Update on the progress achieved through the COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Partnership

Global coverage of COVID-19 vaccination is rising, but inequities persist

- As of early May 2022, **12 billion doses** of COVID-19 vaccines have been shipped worldwide.
- However, there continue to be **strong equity gaps** – **60% of the global population is fully vaccinated** but only **13% in low-income countries** and **8% in countries dealing with humanitarian emergencies**.
- The COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Partnership (CoVDP) was created in January 2022 to support **in-country delivery** in 92 AMC countries, **focusing on the 34 countries with the lowest coverage rates**.

Persons vaccinated with at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine, per 100 population

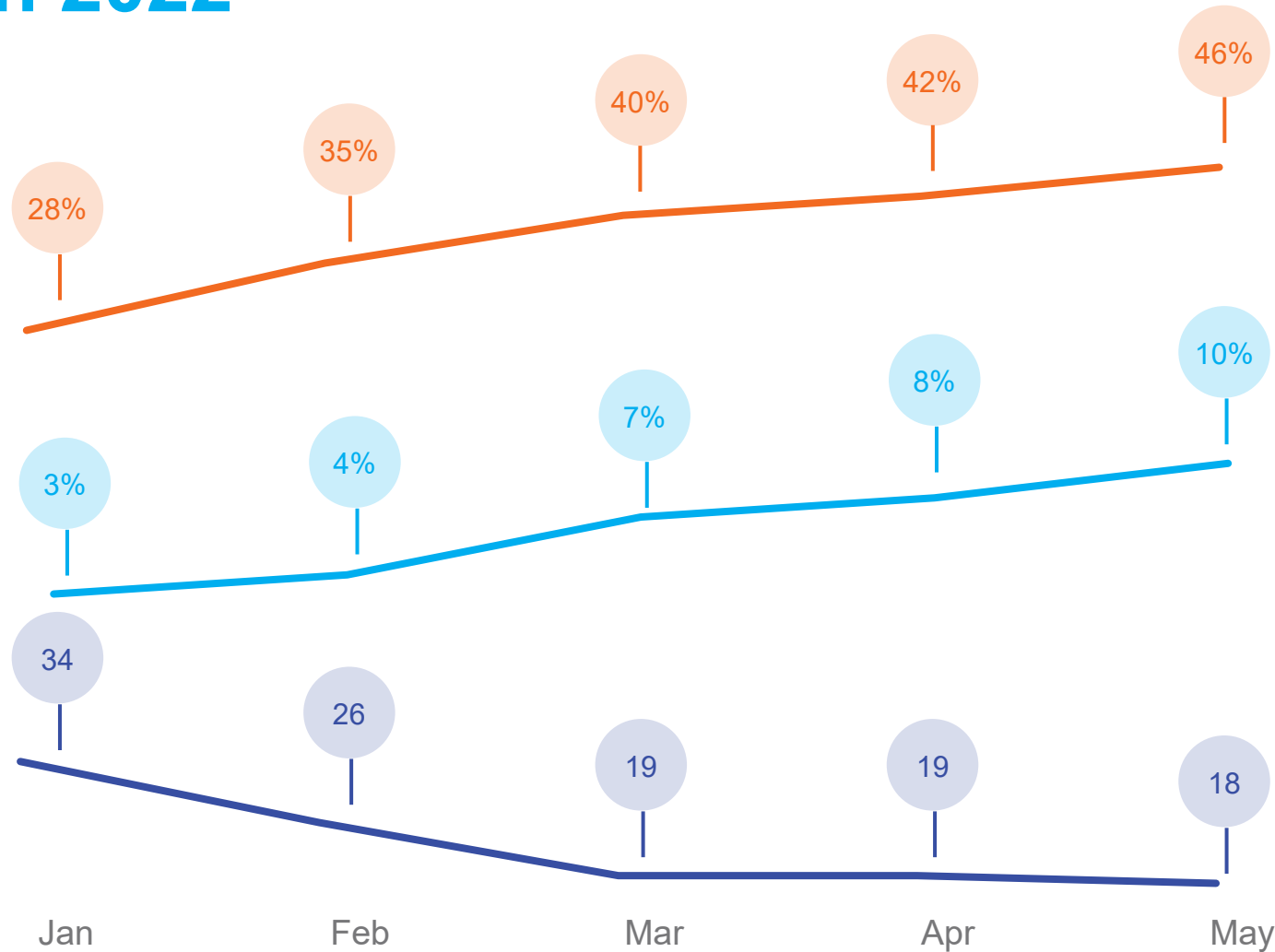


Progress in 2022

Share of population with completed primary series in 92 Advanced Market Commitment entities

Share of population with completed COVID-19 primary series in 34 countries for concerted support

Number of countries with less than 10% coverage



1.6x coverage increase across all AMC92 entities

3.3x coverage increase across all 34 countries with lowest coverage rates

Number of countries with less than 10% coverage down to 18

AMC92 entities covering largely low- and lower middle-income economies eligible to access COVID-19 vaccines through the Gavi COVAX AMC mechanism; data as of the beginning of each month; coverage data for 34 countries covering the entities with coverage less than or equal to 10% according to 15 January data; *Source: COVID-19 Vaccine Implementation Analysis and Insights Report and CoVDP analysis.*

Key results to date



Political advocacy

5 countries

where CoVDP helped to resolve political bottlenecks*

Support to high-level advocacy events

e.g., ministerial meetings

* CoVDP provided political advocacy on issues of vaccine strategy decentralization, partner coordination and prioritization of COVID-19 vaccination, in particular for high-priority groups and vulnerable populations in Afghanistan, Chad, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia and Nigeria.



Delivery funding

\$38 million

already disbursed to support countries' immediate needs as of early May 2022

\$63 million

in funding requests under discussion and in the process of being disbursed

17 funding requests

approved and disbursed to date

as low as 5 days

lead time between receipt of funding request and disbursement

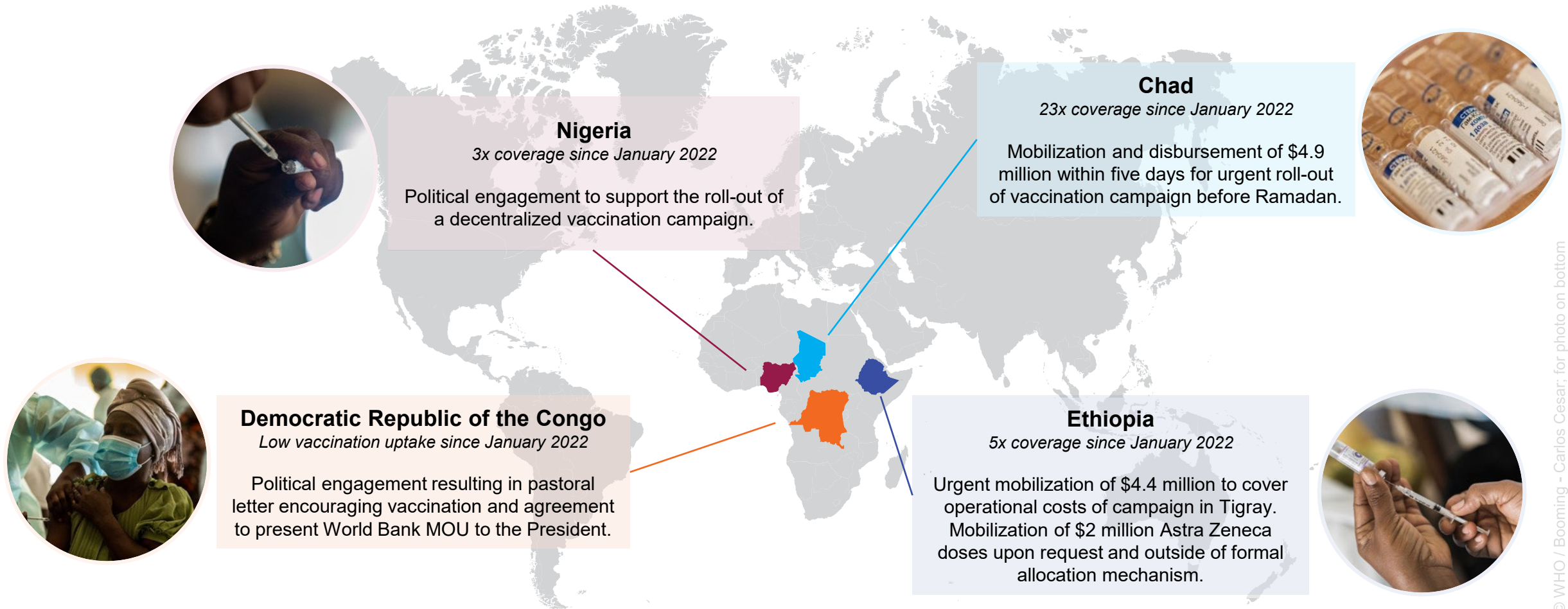


Technical assistance and public goods

- **Revision of operational vaccination strategy** in Nigeria
- **End-to-end view on COVID-19 vaccine delivery**, including a monthly portfolio review
- **Support to transition to a demand-based COVAX allocation model**
- **Guidance on vaccine product choice**
- **Country-by-country analytical briefs** to guide concerted efforts
- **A compendium of best practices** on relevant strategic issues

Examples of countries where CoVDP provided tailored support

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Challenges and next steps over the coming months

- **The window of opportunity to increase vaccination coverage is time bound as countries address competing health priorities and the Omicron variant has changed risk perceptions.**
 - Support acceleration campaigns in 34 countries in next 3 to 4 months and use this as an opportunity to strengthen health systems.
- **Most of the countries with low coverage rates are dealing with humanitarian emergencies.**
 - Focus on the integration of COVID-19 vaccination with humanitarian activities.
- **Coverage of health-care workers, the elderly and people with comorbidities is still low.**
 - Support countries to reach these high-priority groups.

Support required

- Maintain political attention on COVID-19 vaccination.
- Continue to provide flexible delivery funding.
- Support the integration of COVID-19 vaccination with humanitarian activities and encourage humanitarian partners to take this up.
- Invest in primary health care systems and in local production as key components of pandemic preparedness.



Thank you.
