



*Spray operator filling a pump with water during the Insecticide mixing procedure, Ngara District, Kagera Region
Photo: Edward Malangirwa*

TANZANIA

PRESIDENT'S MALARIA INITIATIVE VECTORLINK

The President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) VectorLink Project is implementing indoor residual spraying (IRS) operations to reduce the prevalence of malaria in Tanzania to further the National Malaria Control Program (NMCP) and PMI's goal of reducing malaria-associated mortality and morbidity in selected districts in the region of Kagera in mainland Tanzania, as well as Zanzibar.

An estimated 6.5 million confirmed and clinical outpatient malaria cases were reported in 2016; 2.7 and 3.8 million cases for under-five and above five years of age, respectively. Inpatient malaria deaths in 2016 were reported at just over 5,000. Tanzania registered a 45 percent reduction in all-cause under-five mortality from 146/1000 live births in 1999 to 67/1000 live births in 2015.

The PMI VectorLink Project will spray in seven districts within Kagera: Ngara, Missenyi, Chato, Bukoba Rural, Buchosa, Kakonko, and Nyang'hwale. The districts to be sprayed in Zanzibar will be jointly determined with the Zanzibar Malaria Elimination Program (ZAMEP) and PMI Tanzania.

RESULTS FOR 2018 - 2019

- VectorLink sprayed almost 600,000 (over 95 percent coverage) of found structures. The sprayed structures represent almost 99 percent of spray progress from the targeted structures
- From the sprayed structures in Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar, VectorLink Tanzania protected nearly 2.5 million people from malaria, among them about 80,000 were pregnant women, and 437,000 were children under the age of five
- Built the capacity of nearly 3,900 people in supporting VectorLink implementation in different cadres of temporary field staff, government stakeholders, to national supervisors as part of creating project sustainability
- Introduced and rolled out the District Health Information System 2 (DHIS2) in the data management and analysis process; introduced Open Data Kit (ODK) and CommCare mobile applications for field supportive supervision

BUDGET

\$8,200,000

DURATION

July 2018 – June 2019

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS

Zanzibar, Ngara, Missenyi, Chato, Bukoba Rural, Buchosa, Kakonko, and Nyang'hwale

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER

Abt Associates

PARTNERS

- National Malaria Control Program (NMCP)
- Zanzibar Malaria Elimination Program (ZAMEP)
- National Environmental Management Council (NEMC)
- Zanzibar Environmental Management Authority (ZEMA)

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