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BURMA MALARIA PROFILE

I. ABOUT

Launched in 2005, the <u>U.S. President's Malaria Initiative (PMI)</u> supports implementation of malaria prevention and treatment measures as well as cross-cutting interventions. PMI's 2021–2026 strategy, <u>End Malaria Faster</u>, envisions a world free of malaria within our generation with the goal of preventing malaria cases, reducing malaria deaths and illness, and eliminating malaria in PMI partner countries. PMI currently supports 24 countries in sub-Saharan Africa and three programs across the Greater Mekong Subregion in Southeast Asia to control and eliminate malaria. Burma began implementation as a PMI focus country in FY 2011. Please see the <u>Malaria Operational Plan 2023</u> for more information on PMI's approach and investments.

II. CONTEXT

Population	55,294,979 (Ministry of Labour, Immigration and Population, Township Projection 2014–2031)
Population at risk of malaria	23,776,841*
Malaria prevalence	0.74% (Malaria Indicator Survey [MIS] 2015 by polymerase chain reaction (PCR)
Malaria incidence/1,000 population at risk	1.3 national and 3.0 for population at risk (calculated from 2021 World Health Organization (WHO) reported data)

Table 1: General Demographics and Malaria Situation

*Burma's at-risk population is calculated based on non-malaria free areas, i.e., townships classified as either strata 2 and 3. Population levels from 2018 were used and adjusted to account for annual increases from 2018 to 2021.

STRATIFICATION

Burma adopted a stratification based on Annual Parasite Incidence (API) at the township level with the below criteria creating stratums 1 - 3c.

Table 2: API-based	Malaria	Risk	Stratification
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Stratum	Risk	Criteria	Population (2018)
3a	High	API >5	3.2 M (5.9%)
3b	Moderate	API 1-5	3.2 M (5.9%)
3c	Low	API >0 and <1	3.0 (5.5%)
2	Potential	API=0; Receptive with importation risk	13.4 M (24.9%)
1	Malaria-free	API=0; No transmission	31.2 (57.9%)
Total			53.9 M (100%)

Figure 1: Township Level Malaria Incidence Maps 2018 to 2020 based on API



Source: NMCP Annual Review December 2020

Table 3: Geography and Climate

Principle Malaria Parasites	Plasmodium falciparum and P. vivax
Principle Malaria Vectors*	Anopheles dirus and An. minimus are the primary vectors. An. annularis, An. jeyporiensis, and An. sundaicus are among the prevalent secondary vectors. Insecticide resistance monitoring conducted in 2019 in 10 sites revealed all malaria vectors are susceptible to 0.05% Deltamethrin.

* See **Entomological Monitoring** section of the Malaria Operational Plan for more details on vector bionomics and insecticide resistance and **Indoor Residual Spraying** section for details on residual efficacy.

COUNTRY HEALTH SYSTEM

The text below describes the health care structure prior to the coup in February 2021 (see section on Other Contextual Information below). The military coup, and post-coup civil conflicts disrupted Burma's health system functionality (refer to the Malaria Operational Plan FY 2023 for more details). The description below comes from the National Strategic Plan for Malaria Elimination 2021–2025.

Burma is administratively divided into 14 states and regions plus Nay Pyi Taw Territory. There are 74 districts, 330 townships, 398 towns, 32 subtownships, 3,065 wards, 13,619 village tracts, and 64,134 villages. The public health care system in Burma is highly structured, following the central-state/region-district-township government hierarchy and based on the principles of primary health care, with medical officers overseeing all health-related activities in their designated areas. The townships and villages are the core planning and implementation units for health interventions, including malaria.

The Ministry of Health (MOH) is under the Union Minister of Health and has six functioning departments, each under a director general: Department of Medical Services, Department of Public Health, Department of Medical Research, Department of Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health Professional Resource Development, and Management and Department of Traditional Medicine. The MOH is the major provider of comprehensive health care and has a pluralistic mix of public and private sectors. The Department of Public Health plays a major role in providing comprehensive health care throughout the country, including remote and hard-to-reach border areas. Non-governmental organizations (NGOs) also contribute to provision of services. Since 1978, health services have been integrated into Basic Health Services through the Primary Health Care approach.

The National Malaria Control Program (NMCP) is under the Vector-based Disease Control Program (VBDC) and headed by two Deputy Directors — one for malaria and

one for dengue hemorrhagic fever, filariasis. and other vector-borne diseases. Since 1978, the VBDC Program has been responsible for control of malaria, dengue, lymphatic filariasis, chikungunya, and Japanese encephalitis. Most of the staff and resources of VBDC at all levels — except in the bigger cities — are focused on malaria. The NMCP works closely with the following government departments in order to implement key activities:

- The Department of Medical Services (which is responsible for medical supplies and management of hospital services) to collect hospital data on malaria morbidity and mortality.
- The National Health Laboratory to implement quality assurance of hospital-based malaria microscopy.
- The Food and Drug Administration Department for registration of antimalarials; quality control of antimalarials; control of counterfeit, sub-standard and unregistered antimalarials' and implementing the ban on oral artemisinin monotherapy.

Township level

The Township Public Health Department is headed by the Township Public Health Officer (TPHO). There are two medical officers (one for disease control and one for public health) and one administrative officer under the TPHO. Generally, each TPHO is responsible for four to five rural health centers (RHCs), a station hospital, and four to five sub-RHCs (each managed by a midwife with a public health supervisor). Microscopy services are available at township hospitals, some station hospitals, and some NGO-run clinics. Microscopists are multi-skilled rather than malaria specific.

During the last two decades about 40,000 community health workers (CHWs) have been trained, and it is estimated that 50 percent of these are still active. They are volunteers who are neither employed by the government nor paid any salary, which accounts for their relatively high attrition rate. The CHWs are trained to provide health education, treat minor illnesses, and assist in the control of infectious diseases. Amongst the voluntary workers are auxiliary midwives who are trained for deliveries at home.

Another group of volunteers, the Integrated Community Malaria Volunteers (ICMVs), are the mainstay of malaria control activities at the village level. ICMVs are provided three to five days of training on malaria diagnosis, treatment, prevention, and surveillance. They provide malaria diagnosis and treatment at the community level using rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs) and Artemisinin-based combination therapy (ACT)/chloroquine (CQ). Some are also engaged in preventive work, such as insecticide-treated mosquito net (ITN) distribution and health education depending on the organization (NGOs, international NGOs) that supports and supervises them. The quality of supervision provided for ICMVs varies considerably from one agency to another. The MOH plan was to transition these ICMVs into fully qualified CHWs.

Procurement and Supply Management

The malaria commodity procurement and supply management system is vertical in nature and largely relies upon donor funding and implementing partners to meet the needs of the program. The program is currently accessing quality, safe, and effective pharmaceuticals, supplies, and other program commodities through the procurement mechanisms of its partners (the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria [Global Fund] and PMI).

The National Malaria Information System

The NMCP's objective is to expand, modernize, and strengthen the national malaria information system to allow accurate and timely identification of cases, reporting, and geographical presentation of results to guide appropriate response, as follows:

- In transmission-reduction areas, facility-level and community-based reporting units send their reports to higher levels on a monthly basis. Reports of unusual increases of cases are to be submitted immediately by phone, followed by paper reports.
- In elimination areas, a case-based surveillance and response system is to be rolled out, and reporting units are required to notify higher levels of any confirmed malaria cases by phone or email within 24 hours. The township focal points together with VBDC staff are to conduct case investigations, and, if appropriate, focus investigations and response within seven days of notification.
- The vision is to integrate the current Malaria Information System into a District Health Information Software 2 (DHIS2) system for HIV, TB and Malaria over the next several years.

Despite significant investment in health information systems by the Global Fund, and with WHO support, Burma still does not have a complete and interoperable malaria information system to ensure seamless data management.

OTHER CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION

Military Coup

On February 1, 2021, Burma's military overthrew the elected government in a coup d'état. The coup devastated key sectors in Burma and hampered health service delivery, including malaria prevention, control, and elimination activities. Following the coup d'état, the United States government conducted a foreign assistance review and determined that lifesaving health activities, including malaria services, could continue in Burma. USAID, the United Nations, the Global Fund, and other key partners have reduced engagement with military authorities, including military-appointed staff at the MOH. Over 75 percent of public sector health providers (nearly 20,000 medical workers) went on strike as part of a civil disobedience movement to protest the coup, creating understaffed conditions across public sector facilities. The public health sector-wide strike has limited meaningful engagement with government counterparts and, as a result, PMI has planned for alternative means of malaria programming, relying on its partners to reach beneficiaries at the township and community levels.

COVID-19

Over the past two years, Burma mitigated the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on health services and gains made in malaria elimination. The country experienced waves of the pandemic, disrupting malaria services (e.g., testing, directly observed treatment, in-person training, supportive supervision, community education) for periods of time. Health care workers also experienced stockouts of personal protective equipment early in the pandemic. PMI adjusted its programming approaches and provision of services by using virtual methods for training, supervision, data collection, interpersonal communication, etc., to reduce risks to health providers and partners on the development of a Global Fund COVID-19 Response Mechanism proposal to ensure the availability of needed infection prevention and control supplies for health care providers.

Reaching underserved ethnic minorities and marginalized populations, including internally displaced persons (IDPs) in conflict and non-government control areas

Burma has tremendous ethnic diversity, with, officially, 135 official major ethnic groups and seven ethnic minority groups living in Karen, Shan, Mon, Chin, Kachin, Rakhine, and Karenni states. Minority ethnic communities are estimated to make up at least onethird of the country's total population and to inhabit half of the land area. Other main groups include the Nagas, who live in north Burma and are estimated to number more than 100,000, constituting another complex family of Tibetan-Burmese language subgroups.¹ These populations live in hard-to-reach and conflict affected areas and have limited access to health services, including malaria.

The UN refugee agency (UNHCR) announced as of May 2, 2022, the number of IDPs in Burma has doubled since February last year, and has crossed the 936,000 mark. Most of these IDPs are reported to be from Sagaing Region (240,600), Karen State (96,000), Kachin State (95,200), Kayah State (89,700), Shan State-South (56,300), and Magway Region (50,500).

The malaria program still faces challenges in tackling the malaria situation in nongovernment-controlled areas where there is limited access to quality public health services. The ethnic minorities in these areas are particularly at risk of malaria for several reasons, which include conflict, population movements, ecology, vulnerability, and difficulties associated with transportation. In addition, health systems are weak and ethnic health organizations (EHOs) often have limited capacity. Although the Karen Department of Health and Welfare and the Kachin Independence Organization have some basic structure and capacity for implementation, others, such as the Mon National Health Committee and the Wa and Kokang EHOs, have no proper structure and system for public health. Currently, development partners support the implementation of malaria prevention and control activities in non-government-controlled areas. Although some progress has been made in getting services to vulnerable ethnic minority populations, further improvements and a great deal of additional effort will be needed to enhance disease burden reduction in these areas and bring progress in-line with that elsewhere in the country.

III. NMCP STRATEGIC PLAN

STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK (2021–2025)²

Vision: A Malaria-Free Burma by 2030

Mission: The National Malaria Control Programme of the Ministry of Health of the Government of Burma aims to achieve malaria elimination by 2030 ensuring equitable and universal access to effective preventive, diagnostic and curative services to all "at risk populations," including those living in hard-to-reach areas (forest-goers, mobile populations, and migrants), and through surveillance in collaboration with the efforts of communities, Defense Services and other ministries, EHOs, national and international NGOs the private sector, United Nations agencies, and financial partners.

¹<u>https://minorityrights.org/country/myanmarburma/</u>

² National Malaria Strategic Plan 2021-2025, Ministry of Health

Goal: To eliminate the indigenous transmission of *P. falciparum* malaria by 2023 and to put Burma on the path to eliminate all human malaria by 2030.

Objectives

1. Achieve zero indigenous *P. falciparum* malaria cases by 2023.

2. Reduce all species malaria morbidity by 95% relative to the 2018 baseline figure and reduce mortality associated with indigenous malaria to zero by 2025.

3. Prevent the re-establishment of indigenous transmission of *P. falciparum*/all species malaria in Townships where transmission has been interrupted.

4. Prevent the emergence/introduction and spread of ACT resistant *P. falciparum* malaria in Burma.

Key interventions and supporting elements

Key interventions

1. Early and effective malaria case management.

2. Universal coverage of high-risk populations with appropriate malaria prevention measures.

3. Case-based surveillance for elimination and prevention of re-establishment.

Supporting elements

1. Expanding research for innovation to accelerate malaria elimination and improve delivery of services.

2. Strengthening the enabling environment.

Approach

Principles

- Progress towards elimination will be accelerated through the targeted and effective deployment of proven interventions to at-risk populations, and utilization of promising new interventions tailored to the needs of specific high-risk communities.
- Progress towards the development of a sustainable elimination effort will be accelerated and strengthened by building country ownership and leadership and mobilizing multi sectoral partnership action with the participation of communities, the Defense Services and other ministries, EHOs and implementing partners including technical agencies, financial partners and the private sector.
- An adequate malaria case-based surveillance system will be in place nationally to support the identification of transmission foci and provide a

system whereby sub-national and eventually national elimination can be verified.

- Improved epidemiology-led entomological surveillance and investigation is required to support evidence-based vector control operations and accelerate elimination.
- In addition to the information system associated with case-based surveillance (case investigation, focus investigation, classification and response) information systems that facilitate logistics management and routine monitoring and evaluation at operational unit-level are required to optimize implementation of malaria interventions.
- Equity in access to services irrespective of gender, reach, ethnicity and affiliation is essential, especially for the most vulnerable and hard-to-reach populations.
- Innovation in tools and implementation approaches specific to risk groups and epidemiological situations will help to maximize progress.

Program phasing

The NMCP's strategy aims to ensure appropriate interventions in all endemic areas, tailored to the local epidemiology with the objectives of achieving *P. falciparum* elimination by 2023 and overall elimination of malaria by 2030. As per the National Malaria Strategy 2016–2020, the implementation unit will be the Township and planning will be at State/Region level.

As a general rule, endemic/receptive Townships will be targeted for burden reduction, elimination or prevention of re-establishment based on API:

- API ≥1 Burden reduction. This involves aggressive scaling-up of effective preventive and curative interventions to achieve universal coverage.
- API<1 Elimination and prevention of re-establishment. Malaria case-based surveillance becomes the core intervention every case is investigated and managed to avoid onward transmission.

Depending on the epidemiological situation of the Township, availability, and capacity of human and financial resources, the classification of transmission settings could be different. For example, a Township having adequate human resources and financial resources may consider conducting elimination activities in a setting with API <5.

IV. KEY MALARIA DATA

EVOLUTION OF KEY SURVEY-BASED MALARIA INDICATORS

Table 4: Key Survey Indicators

Indicator	2012–2014 Global Fund Implementing Partners	2013–2014 CAPMalaria Project	2015 MIS	2015– 2016 DHS
% Households with at least one ITN	2013: 68%	2013: 98% 2014: 97%	19% (52% D1 65% D4)*	27%
% Households with at least one ITN for every two people	N/A	N/A	N/A	14%
% Population with access to an ITN	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
% Population that slept under an ITN the previous night	2013: 86% 2014: 63%	2013: 61% 2014: 82%	10%	16%
% Children <5 years of age who slept under an ITN the previous night	2013: 59% 2014: 45%	N/A	16%	19%
% Pregnant women who slept under an ITN the previous night	2013: 57% 2014: 42%	N/A	17%	18%
% Children <5 years of age with a fever in the last two weeks for whom advice or treatment was sought	2013: 12% 2014: 8%	N/A	71%	65%
% Children <5 years of age with a fever in the last two weeks who had a finger or heel stick	N/A	N/A	4% (all ages)	3%
% Children receiving an ACT among children <5 years of age with a fever in the last two weeks who received any antimalarial drug	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
% Women who attended 4 ANC visits during their last pregnancy	N/A	N/A	N/A	59
% Women who received three or more doses of IPTp during their last pregnancy in the last two years	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<5 mortality rate per 1,000 live births	N/A	N/A	N/A	50

Indicator	2012–2014 Global Fund Implementing Partners	2013–2014 CAPMalaria Project	2015 MIS	2015– 2016 DHS
% Children <5 with parasitemia by microscopy	N/A	N/A	<1%(all ages by PCR)	N/A
% Children <5 with parasitemia by RDT	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

DHS: Demographic and Health Survey; MIS: Malaria Indicator Survey *D1: Domain 1 included townships with API>5 and D4: Domain 4 included hard-to-reach townships in the sampling frame

Figure 2. ITN Use: Access Ratio Map



Ownership and access of any type of net is nearly universal across Burma; however, ITN ownership and access lag. Household ownership of ITNs varies by region with Yangon and Naypyitaw having the lowest rates. Use:access ratios for ITNs are below target in many regions and poor in Bago and Kayah regions. Children and women of reproductive age have slightly higher rates of ITN use than boys 15-20 and older adults, in households that don't have enough ITNs. In households with enough ITNs, males 40-49 have the highest rates of ITN use, and teens and adults over 50 somewhat lower. Populations in urban areas have slightly higher ITN use:access ratios than those in rural areas. The poorest and richest quintiles have the highest ITN use:access ratios, followed by the middle quintiles.

Table 5: Evolution of Key Malaria Indicators Reported through RoutineSurveillance Systems

Indicator 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 # All-cause patient N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A consultations N/A N/A # Suspect malaria cases¹ N/A N/A N/A # Patients receiving diagnostic 3.368.697 3.183.758 3,709,622 3,611,814 1.645.106 test for malaria² Total # malaria cases³ 85.019 76.518 56.411 58.132 71.180 # Confirmed cases⁴ 85.019 76.518 56.411 58.132 71.180 # Presumed cases⁵ 0 0 0 0 0 % Malaria cases confirmed⁶ 100% 100% 100% 100% 100% Test positivity rate (TPR)⁷ 2.5 2.4 1.5 1.6 4.3 Total # children <5 years of N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A age malaria cases8 % Cases in children <5 years N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A of age9 Total # severe cases¹⁰ N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A

Community-level data are integrated into the broader Malaria Information System, and these numbers are inclusive of both community- and health facility-level data.

Indicator	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Total # malaria deaths ¹¹	31	19	14	10	8
# Facilities reporting ¹²	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
% Data completeness ¹³	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

1 Number of patients presenting with signs or symptoms possibly due to malaria; 2 RDT or microscopy, all ages, outpatient and inpatient; 3 Total reported malaria cases; all ages, outpatient and inpatient, confirmed and unconfirmed cases; 4 Diagnostically confirmed; all ages, outpatient and inpatient; 5 Clinical/presumed/unconfirmed; all ages, outpatient and inpatient; 6 # confirmed cases divided by total # cases; 7 Confirmed cases divided by # patients receiving a diagnostic test for malaria (RDT or microscopy); 8 Outpatient and inpatient, confirmed and unconfirmed; 9 Total # children <5 years of age cases divided by total # of cases; 10 Hospitalized with malaria; 11 All ages, outpatient, inpatient, confirmed, and unconfirmed; 12 Total # of health facilities reporting data into the HMIS/DHIS2 system that year; 13 # monthly reports from health facilities divided by # health facility reports expected (average for the calendar year).

Table 6: Disaggregated Community-Level Data

Indicator	2019	2020	2021
# Patients receiving diagnostic test for malaria from a CHW	2,407,274	2,212,123	1,461,387
Total # of malaria cases reported by CHWs ¹	46,545	47,775	62,588
% of CHW reported cases (among total malaria cases) ²	83%	82%	92%

1 Includes all ages, confirmed and unconfirmed.

2 Total # malaria cases reported by CHWs/Total # malaria cases in previous table.

Table 7: Key Elimination Indicators

Indicator	2019	2020	2021
Total # of Townships [Admin III]	330	330	330
# of Townships designated for elimination	211	262	275
% of Townships pursuing elimination	64%	79%	83%
Annual Parasite Index (API)	1.1	1.1	1.2
Test Positivity Rate (TPR)	1.5	1.6	4.2
Proportion of cases investigated (in 3 "elimination" townships supported by PMI)*	94%	100%	90%
Proportion of foci classified (in 3 "elimination" townships supported by PMI)*	89%	81%	81%

* Toungup, Ramree, and Munaung townships in Rakhine State.

V. OTHER IMPLEMENTATION INFORMATION

Table 8: Results of Durability Monitoring

Site/Net Type Tamu Township, Sagaing/	Survey and Time Since Distribution (months)	Attrition to Wear and Tear (%)	Nets in Serviceable Condition (%)	Optimal Insecticidal Effectiveness in Bioassay (%)
DawaPlus 2.0	36-month follow-up	8.5%	78.2%	3.3%
PermaNet 2.0	36-month follow-up	7.8%	84.6%	10.0%

Standard durability monitoring was done on two ITN brands (PermaNet 2.0 and DawaPlus 2.0) distributed via a mass campaign in 32 villages of Tamu Township in December 2015. A baseline durability monitoring assessment was conducted in June 2016, the 12-month assessment was carried out in December 2016, the 24-month assessment in December 2017, and this 36-month assessment was done in December 2018. In summary, the 36-month assessment of cohort nets was successful, with only 13 households lost to follow-up. Most of the cohort ITNs (81.7 percent) were still

surviving in physically functioning condition. However, insecticidal effectiveness, according to bioassays, was less than optimal. The chemical residue analysis from 36-month data collection had a mean of 1.10 g/kg deltamethrin on the DawaPlus 2.0 nets (55 percent decrease from loading dose of 2.0 g/kg;) compared to 0.97 g/kg for the PermaNet 2.0 (69 percent decrease from loading dose of 1.4g/kg;).

Year	Site	Treatment arm(s)	Efficacy (PCR-corrected adequate clinical and parasitological result) for each drug at each site
2019	Tamu, Sagaing Region	Pf: AL, DP	AL 100%: DP 100%
2020	Buthidaung, Rakhine	Pf: AL, DP: Pv: CQ	AL 100% DP 98%: CQ 96%

Table 9: Summary of Completed Therapeutic Efficacy Studies*

* Reference: The Ninth Meeting of the Greater Mekong Subregion Therapeutic Efficacy study network virtual meeting, September 15-16, 2021.

VI. KEY POLICIES

Table 10: Policies in Burma

National Strategic Plan (2021-2025)

National Surveillance, Monitoring, and Evaluation Plan (2021-2025)

Strategic Action Plan for Strengthening Health Information (2017–2021)

<u>Guideline on Mobile Used in Malaria Surveillance for Malaria Control and Elimination</u> (January 2018)

National Social Behavior Change Strategy (2017)

Malaria Microscopy Standard Operating Procedure (2017)

National Supply Chain Strategy (2015–2020,)

National Vector Control Strategy and/or Integrated Vector Management Plan (part of NSP)

Guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures for Entomological Monitoring and Surveillance (2017)

Malaria Case Management Policy (2015)

Quality Assurance and Quality Control Manual for Malaria Microscopy (2017)

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What is/are the first-line treatment(s) for uncomplicated <i>P. falciparum</i> malaria*?	AL for 3 days + single dose of PQ (0.75 mg/kg) at Day 0
What is/are the second-line treatment(s) for uncomplicated <i>P. falciparum</i> malaria*?	AS+MQ (or) DHA+PPQ for 3 days (+PQ at Day 0)
What is/are the first-line treatment(s) for uncomplicated <i>P. vivax</i> malaria?	CQ + PQ 0.25mg/kg/day for 14 days for radical treatment
What is/are the first-line treatment(s) for uncomplicated mixed infections?	AL+ PQ 0.25mg/kg/day for 14 days for radical treatment
What is the first-line treatment for severe malaria?	IV Artesunate. If Artesunate is not available, then IM Artemether should be used in preference to quinine. It is essential to continue and complete treatment with a full course of ACT once the patient can tolerate oral therapy.
In pregnancy, what is the first-line treatment for uncomplicated <i>P. falciparum</i> malaria in the <u>first</u> <u>trimester</u> ?	Quinine plus Clindamycin is to be given for 7 days
In pregnancy, what is/are the first-line treatment(s) for uncomplicated <i>P. falciparum</i> malaria in the <u>second and third trimesters</u> ?	AL to be given for 3 days
What is/are the first-line treatment(s) for <i>P. vivax</i> malaria during pregnancy?	CQ
In pregnancy, what is the first-line treatment for severe malaria?	IV artesunate
Is pre-referral treatment of severe disease recommended at peripheral health facilities? If so, with what drug(s)?	Pre-referral dose of IM injection Artesunate or Artemether, IM Quinine or Artesunate suppository (10mg/kg) in young children <6 years of age.
Is pre-referral treatment of severe disease with rectal artesunate recommended for community health workers?	No
Community-Based Health Worker Policy (2020)	
What is the # of CHWs currently providing integrated community case management (iCCM)?	8,516 (VBDC Annual Report 2019 December)

What is the country's target for the number of CHWs providing iCCM?	9,000
What percent of the country's target is met?	94.6%
Does the country have a policy that enables the routine, regular payment of salaries/stipends for CHWs?	No
Do CHWs have the authority to test and treat all ages for malaria?	Yes

* Except children under 1 years of age and pregnant mothers.

VII. PARTNER LANDSCAPE

Table 11: Partner Landscape

Partner	Key technical interventions	Geographic coverage	Funding amount/in-kind contribution	Timeframe
Global Fund (RAI3E) implemented by the United Nations Office for Project Services	 Vector Control support through nationwide mass and continuous ITN distribution Case Management support nationwide including training and supervision Malaria Surveillance support Procurement of malaria commodities 	 National coverage of 330 Townships Coordinated coverage of villages within 36 PMI supported Townships 	\$90,100,000	Current grant covers from January 2021- December 2023
Access to Health Fund managed by the United Nations Office for Project Services	 Essential package of health services Strengthening the health system 	 Deliver service packages in nine states and regions (Kachin, Rakhine, Shan, Kayin, Chin, Yangon, Sagaing, Kayah) 	\$ 249,000,000	Annually, 2019–2023