



THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

**IMPLEMENTATION REPORT FOR THE
WORKING GROUP ON HEALTH
PROMOTION (SANITATION, HYGIENE,
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
MANAGEMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE)**

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Background

- The group was established to facilitate discussion and analysis of issues pertaining to environmental health; sanitation; hygiene; and climate change in Tanzania
- The working group comprises of representatives from
 - Ministry of Health and Social Welfare
 - Vice President's Office – Division of Environment
 - Prime Minister's Office – Regional Administration and Local Government
 - Ministry of Education and Vocational Training
 - Ministry of Water
 - National Environmental Management Council
 - UNICEF, WSP, GIZ, T-MARC, and Water Aid.



Objectives

- The main objectives of the group are:
 1. To establish an effective group of technical experts;
 2. To advice and recommend on how to address issues related to health promotion;
- Three sub technical group have been established to work on different priorities, these are:
 1. School WASH sub TWG
 2. Household sanitation and hygiene sub TWG
 3. Environmental Health and Climate Change sub TWG



Priority Areas

- Six priority areas have been identified;
 - i. Advocacy for hand washing with soap;
 - ii. Waste management in towns and urban areas;
 - iii. Latrine improvement at households and institutions (schools & health facilities)
 - iv. Household water treatment and safe storage at point of use
 - v. Chemical and pesticide management
 - vi. Scaling up of financing for sanitation and hygiene



Achievements

- i. A sanitation and hygiene draft policy; National Waste Management Guidelines have been developed;
- ii. A National Sanitation and Hygiene campaign has been prepared under the Water Sector Development Programme (WSDP) and is expected to be launched in April 2012;
- iii. A concept note on sanitation and hygiene and preparatory requirements; work plan and procurement plan have been developed for the campaign



Achievements cont....

- v. School WASH guidelines have been prepared;
- v. MoHSW is conducting a study on household water treatment and safe storage under the supervision of NIMR to identify technologies and methods of making water safe at point of uses;
- v. 20 Regional Health Officers and 4 National Officers have been trained on chemical inspection and management.

Health Sector Strategic Plan III

- Strategic Objective
 - To operationalize the Public Health Act (2009); and the health element of the Environmental Management Act (2004)
- Achievements
 - Regulations based on PHA have been developed, these include;
 - i. The public health (standards of sanitary fitments, plumbing, and latrine) regulation 2011. Made under section 120(2)(n) and (o);
 - ii. Draft regulation on sanitation and hygiene.
 - Waste Management Guidelines have been reviewed

Challenges

- The challenges include;
 - I. Insufficient financial resources to scale up environmental health, hygiene and sanitation, and climate change at all levels;
 - I. Inadequate human resource to uphold environmental health, hygiene, sanitation and climate change interventions at all levels



Way forward

1. To submit the draft of sanitation and hygiene policy to the management;
2. To conduct a study to review legislations; regulatory framework; responsibilities of Ministries, utilities and other stakeholders on sanitation and hygiene;
3. To identify and promote household water treatment and safe storage options at the point of use;
4. Promoting hand washing behavior at all levels;



THANK YOU.