NATIONAL LAUNCH OF URBAN WASH BCC STRATEGY

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Introduction

- In 2010, the MLGRD and MWRWH collaborated with CHF international to develop a WASH BCC strategy for the urban sub sector
- Follows initial steps by CHF to develop a project-specific BCC strategy for the WASH-UP project, funded by USAID.
- Discussions with WD and EHSD identified the absence of such a strategy at the national level as a gap
- Proposal to develop a national strategy to fill this gap, instead of a CHF Project-specific strategy

WHY AN URBAN WASH BCC STRATEGY?

- Rapid urbanization, leading to strain on WASH services
 - Higher risk of waterborne diseases
- Recent experience of cholera outbreaks worrying
- Will help the urban sector to standardize the implementation of BCC interventions by different organizations working in the WASH sector

WHY AN URBAN WASH BCC STRATEGY?

- The absence of any strategic document to guide BCC efforts targeting urban populations, as exists for the rural sub sector
- BCC is key to sustainable solutions
- Help sustain the results derived from efforts towards changing WASH behaviour in the urban communities including the slums.

OVERVIEW OF THE PROCESS OF DEVELOPING THE URBAN WASH BCC STRATEGY

- Preliminary discussions with the MWRWH
- Wider Stakeholder consultations
- Formation of working groups
- Baseline survey in WASH-UP project areas
- Formative Research on BCC in WASH-UP Project Area
- Appointment of a Coordinator to facilitate and consolidate the BCC strategy, based on outputs from the working groups

PROCESS CTD

- Coordinator prepared the draft BCC strategy document from inputs of working groups and stakeholder consultative meetings
- Draft strategy document was presented to stakeholders in two separate workshops in the Southern and Northern zones to:
 - Validate the draft strategy
 - Receive further inputs from experts and stakeholders to enrich the strategy document
- Inputs from stakeholders incorporated into draft strategy,
- National validation workshop, and a final draft produced

SCOPE OF THE URBAN WASH BCC STRATEGY

- The strategy is laid out under key headings:
 - Situation Analyses
 - Audience Segmentation
 - Prioritizing Behaviours
 - Behaviour Analyses
 - Strategic Approach
 - The Message Brief
 - Communication Channels, Tools and Strategy
 - Management Plan
 - Monitoring and Evaluation
 - Overall Recommendations

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE STRATEGY

• Situation Analysis. – giving an overview of the state of WASH services in urban areas:

Water:

59% (2009)

Sanitation

- o Improved − 18%
- Open defecation 7%
- o Unimproved − 75%

Hygiene - ??

AUDIENCE SEGMENTATION

- Need to target effectively
- selection of segments was based on ff criteria:
 - The proportion of the urban population covered in the segment,
 - Public health importance, and
 - The likelihood of being receptive to communication messages.
- Based on these criteria:
 - Eight (8) Primary Target audience segments considered "good" and
 - Four (4) segments considered "possibly good"

BEHAVIOUR ANALYSES

- Systematic behaviour analysis identified Priority WASH Behaviours to focus on. These include:
 - 10 Macro behaviours, and
 - 26 Micro behaviours
- Based on these, eleven (11) Behaviour Change
 Objectives were identified

Behaviour Analysis - 2

- The Macro behaviours included:
 - Maintaining water safety at source of supply, especially at vending points and tanker trucks
 - Safe transportation of water to homes
 - Safe water storage and use at household level
 - Household water treatment/water disinfection
 - Safe disposal of Excreta
 - Safe disposal of household solid waste
 - Safe disposal of other solid waste
 - Hand washing with soap at 5 critical times
 - Food hygiene
 - Personal hygiene

STRATEGIC APPROACH

- Strategy combines three main intervention areas that reinforce each other for sustainable behaviour change. These include:
 - Promoting access to hardware (e.g. infrastructure, products, and service level improvements);
 - Adopting approaches to hygiene promotion covering communication—IE and BCC, training, and mobilization—social and community
 - Creating an enabling environment, encompassing policies and advocacy, institutional development strengthening and creation as well as sustained financing schemes

THE MESSAGE BRIEF

- The strategy provides a general frame for development of messages
- These will flow logically from the stated behaviour change objectives and the desired changes at the level of each target group,
- The definitive messages will be developed at the roll out stage stage.

COMMUNICATION CHANNELS, TOOLS AND STRATEGY

- The mix of channels to deliver BCC messages include:
 - Institutional channels (eg Staff of various ministries)
 - Media channel
 - Socio-traditional and socio-cultural channels
 - Commercial channels

MANAGEMENT PLAN,

- This section defines:
 - The institutional framework strategy is anchored at the EHSD of the MLGRD
 - Roles and responsibilities of stakeholders
 - Implementation arrangements
 - Materials production
 - Capacity building plan
 - Budgeting, and an
 - Action plan

MONITORING AND EVALUATION

- M &E Plan identifies process and outcome indicators
- Monitoring should be integrated within the overall M&E framework of the sector
- Internal and external evaluations recommended

MOVING FORWARD

- Source funds to pilot this strategy for a period of 18 months to provide an opportunity to both field test and refine the overall strategy.
- A National WASH BCC Handbook or Manual to be drawn out of this strategy document
- A National Training of Trainers Manual on WASH BCC for urban sub sector with its various sections to be developed
- Update strategy every two years, based on emerging issues