POLIO SNAPSHOT
AFGHANISTAN
NOVEMBER 2019

WPV CASES IN NOVEMBER: 2
TOTAL WPV CASES IN 2019: 22
POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT SAMPLES IN NOVEMBER: 3
CHILDREN VACCINATED IN NOVEMBER: 5.6M
SOCIAL MOBILIZERS: 6,243
FEMALE SOCIAL MOBILIZERS: 2,153
PERMANENT TRANSIT TEAMS: 836
CROSS-BORDER VACCINATION POINTS: 18

Cases from Jan to Oct
Case in November

Data as of 30 November 2019
POLIO TRANSMISSION

- Two new wild poliovirus (WPV1) cases were reported in November.
- The Regional Rapid Response Team conducted an epidemiological investigation in response to the isolation of two new WPV1 cases.

AFP AND ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEILLANCE

- 193 acute flaccid paralysis cases (77 girls and 116 boys) were reported in November. Overall 3,379 AFP cases have been reported in 2019, of which 3,149 have been discarded as "non-polio" and 208 cases are pending classification.
- In all regions, the non-polio AFP rate is above 12, stool adequacy above 91%, and non-polio enterovirus ranges between 11 - 21.
- Three new WPV1 positive environmental samples were confirmed from Helmand in November.

SUPPLEMENTARY IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITIES

- October 14-18, campaign was conducted across the country, vaccinating 5.6m children under 5 with OPV in 397 districts of 34 provinces against polio.

COMPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- 18 cross-border vaccination points, 49 cross-border teams & 836 permanent transit teams (PTTs) were operational across Afghanistan in November 2019.
- Permanent transit teams vaccinated 1,723,859 children, and cross-border teams vaccinated 163,775 children against polio in November 2019.
- 1,668 children under 10 were given OPV and 340 children were vaccinated with IPV respectively in UNHCR repatriation centers and IOM sites receiving returnees and refugees from Pakistan and Iran in November.
- 10,314 international travelers were vaccinated in November in compliance to the International Health Regulations (IHR).
- 22,526 returnee children received OPV, 4,453 returnee children received IPV since January 2019.

Communication and outreach skills

- 5,500 polio outreach workers and community influencers took part in pre-campaign planning and interpersonal skills communication training.
- Nearly 50,000 caregivers, influencers and community representatives took part in polio pre-campaign awareness raising sessions across risk areas.
- 31,647 out of 48,625 absent (65%) and 18,756 out of 41,926 (44.7%) children of the refusal families were vaccinated through social mobilization and community influencers engagement efforts across the Immunization & Communication Network ICN.
- 41,633 visiting and on street children were vaccinated by social mobilisers in Kabul.

Referrals.

- Total 33,000 children received routine immunization through referral services and social mobilization efforts.
- 7,520 pregnant women, 3,400 children benefited from health services facilitated by polio social mobilization teams.

Innovation.

- 48,957 children received two drops of OPV by social mobilization visiting teams at health facilities.