Implementation and Coverage of the First Public Sector Introduction of Typhoid Conjugate Vaccine (TCV) — Navi Mumbai, India

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Navi Mumbai, India (1)



Navi Mumbai, India (2)

- Developed as a planned city in the 1970s
- Urban/suburban area
- 8/13 nodes under the Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation (NMMC)
 - Population: 1.4 million (est.), <15 years = ~390,000
- 22 urban health posts (UHP) or urban primary health center (UPHC) areas
 - 9 designated as "high-risk"
 based on % population living in slums



TCV Introduction and Evaluation Decision and Commitments

- Decision and financial commitment by NMMC (+ central and state government approvals)
- Vaccine donation (Bharat Biotech International Ltd.)
- Active local chapter of the Indian Academy of Pediatrics
- Partners' commitment for monitoring and evaluation
 - WHO-India, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Stanford University, International Vaccine Institute
 - Local partners (hospitals and laboratories)



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TCV Introduction by NMMC

Implementation lead: NMMC

- Target population: 9 months <15 years old children within the NMMC jurisdiction
- Strategy: Catch-campaign in 2 phases (2018, 2019) + routine
 - 11 UHPs in 2018. estimated target:
 160,000 children
 - 11 UHPs in 2019
 - Introduction into the routine
 program (proposed starting 2019 –
 2020)



CAMPAIGN PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION

Phase 1 (2018) Campaign Preparations

Trainings and capacity building

- NMMC staff: microplanning, campaign logistics, adverse events following immunization (AEFI) management
- Field workers: headcount survey and social mobilization

• Logistics

- 50,000 doses donated; rest purchased by NMMC
- Needles and syringes donated by the Government of India
- Preparation of AEFI kits and local AEFI committees at the UHP level
- Biomedical waste management
- Reporting formats (administrative coverage reporting)



Phase 1 (2018) Campaign Microplanning

- Led by NMMC with technical assistance from WHO-India and CDC
- Use of existing immunization program plans and resources
 - Polio microplan for planning and headcount survey
 - Logistics and campaign plans adapted from the national measles-rubella campaign guidelines
- Strategy
 - Campaign days on weekends and public holidays (6-week period)
 - Catch-up during the weekdays at UPHC clinics

Resources

- Additional resources from the 2019 UPHCs
- 1 outreach session for ~150 beneficiaries (health posts, routine immunization posts, clinics, residential society offices, community centers, others)

Phase 1 (2018) Campaign Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and Crisis Communication (1)

- No mass media (due to the phased approach)
- Focus group discussions for messages (caregivers from different income levels, health workers and medical officers)
- Field communication strategy (leaflets and information booklets distribution 1 week before the campaign in each area; banners)
- Endorsement and support from the private sector



Phase 1 (2018) Campaign Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and Crisis Communication (2)

- Media briefing by • honorable NMMC mayor and commissioner
- Weekly newspaper \bigcirc coverage updates by NMMC
- Local agency for \bigcirc assistance with crisis communication planning, media monitoring and response readiness





Phase 1 (2018) Campaign Implementation

- TypBar-TCV
- July 14 August 25, 2018
 - Except Aug 4 5 and Aug 15
 - Aug 19, 24, 25 campaign mop-up days
- Campaign launch by Hon. Mayor of NMMC
- Vaccination cards provided to beneficiaries
- Reported administrative coverage = 113,420 children (~71%). Lower in high income communities
- Reported adverse events (AEFIs) per national AEFI guidelines – 222 (most were mild)





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Phase 1 (2018) Campaign Rapid Convenience Monitoring

Sessions Site* Quality Parameters



*Total 495 sessions monitored across 11 UHPs

328 areas were selected for household monitoring visits and vaccination status was verified for 6560 children (86% found to be vaccinated – lower in high income areas) - 48 areas were recommended for mop-up activities

TCV CAMPAIGN COVERAGE SURVEY

Objectives

- Estimate coverage achieved through the public sector TCV program in phase 1 (2018 campaign) among the targeted age group
- Estimate prior typhoid vaccination coverage through the private sector

Methods

- Community-based household-level stratified 2-stage cluster survey based on the current WHO Coverage Survey Guidelines
- 57 primary sampling units (PSU) with 24 households (HHs) per PSU (total of 1368 HHs)
 - Stage 1 (PSU): based on polio microplan team day (~100 150 households). Updated HH listing generated
 - Stage 2 (HHs): 24 HHs randomly selected from each PSU
- Eligibility: age-eligible and resident of one of the UPHCs where vaccination occurred in 2018.
- Coverage estimates and 95% confidence intervals (CIs) calculated (stratified cluster design and sampling weights accounting for the selection of clusters and households and household non-response)

Preliminary Results Selected Household (HH) Characteristics

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Strengths & Challenges/Limitations

Strengths

- Political commitment and financial contribution NMMC (with BBIL donation)
- Use within an existing immunization program
- Government buy-in and approvals
- Partnerships and collaborations national and global
 - National Polio Surveillance program (country office and field)
 - Local hospitals and laboratories

Challenges

- Delays: NMMC administration changes, administrative and financial approvals for program implementation and evaluation components
- Coverage survey data collection by an external survey agency required close supervision and monitoring of field work

Navi Mumbai TCV Team!

- Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation leadership and staff
- Government of India Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Expanded Program on Immunization
- State of Maharashtra, Department of Public Health and Family Welfare
- Indian Academy of Pediatrics Navi Mumbai Chapter
- Bharat Biotech International Limited
- WHO-India National Polio Surveillance Program (NPSP)
- Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) NICED
- Stanford University
- Hospital and laboratory sites: Navi Mumbai Municipal Corporation hospital, Mathadi Trust Hospital, DY Patil Medical College and Hospital, MGM Vashi Hospital, Yewale Hospital, Joshi microbiology laboratory)
- WHO-SEARO and WHO-HQ
- International Vaccine Institute
- Grant Government Medical College
- Scientific Advisory Panel
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Thank you!





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