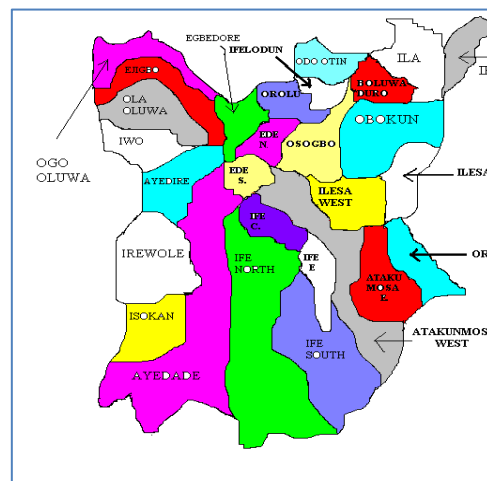




OSUN STATE REPORT (Q1 2015 – Q2 2016)

Major Developments

- The EU-SIGN State Team Assistant (STA) provides on-going support to improve data management in Osun State, with continual immunisation and stock management review and analysis for stakeholders.
- EU-SIGN is involved in all Routine Immunisation (RI) and supplemental immunisation activities, providing technical and training support to ensure quality service delivery.
- EU-SIGN has provided 34 Direct-Drive Solar Refrigerators (DDSR), renovations in Irepondun Ward IV / Irepondun LGA Cold Store and construction in Iremu Ward V, Ife Central LGA.



Source: STA Team

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Total Population: 4,691,068
Population 0-11 months: 187,643

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|-------------|------|---------------------------|-----|
| LGAs | 30 | Hospitals | 30 |
| Wards | 332 | Mission hospitals | 6 |
| Settlements | 7545 | Public Health Facilities | 845 |
| | | Private Health Facilities | 89 |

Background

Osun State is in the South-West Zone of Nigeria and EU-SIGN activities began there in January 2015. The project was officially launched on 28 April 2016.

Elections and industrial actions at the start of EU-SIGN activities complicated initial efforts to establish a State Primary Health Care Development Agency (SPHCDA) in Osun State. A Bill to establish the SPHCDA was in the House of Assembly in Q1 2015 and the STA met with the Permanent Secretary and key stakeholders to bring attention to the importance of achieving the passage of the Bill and Primary Health Care Under One Roof (PHCUOR). The State's PHCUOR score was 5%. The Bill eventually went into law on 4 February 2016 and was passed into law on 16 February 2016. It is awaiting approval from the State Governor, which increased the PHCUOR to 7%. The Governor, through his representative at the launching of the project, promised to expedite action on the Bill.

At the start of EU-SIGN activities in Osun State, Routine Immunisation (RI) was variable across the LGAs, with nine LGAs with Pentavalent 3 coverage below 80%. Health worker strikes in Osun State in Q2 – Q3 2015 affected the State's ability to provide immunisation services and coverage dropped or parents took their children to private clinics and partners had to provide data management and supervision support. Several LGAs experienced stock-outs. Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) was introduced in November 2014 and Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine (IPV) was introduced in June 2015. Coverage recovered and by August 2015, Pentavalent 3 coverage was 79% and OPV3 coverage was 87%. By Q2 2016, coverage for Pentavalent 3 was 99%, OPV3 was 98% and IPV was 93%.

Osun State actively uses of immunisation data and dashboards to improve RI implementation. By Q1 2016, potent and adequate supplies of vaccine were being delivered to all parts of the state, with stocks regularly replenished. There are some weaknesses though at facility level where data tools are not always available or staff are unable to interpret results.

One of the biggest challenges in the State was the civil servant strike in 2015 due to an eight month non-payment of salaries. It greatly impacted services, but many health workers participated in national immunisation activities and technical meetings. Partners were responsible for filling the gaps during the strike and the STA updated stock management information and checked vaccines at the state cold store. Funding for supervision and vaccine distribution is also an issue.

Another major challenge facing Osun State, and many other States, is the competing prioritisation of national immunisation activities such integrated measles campaigns, immunisation plus days and other campaigns that often occur at once and are sometimes poorly coordinated. There was also an outbreak of Circulating Vaccine Derived Poliovirus (cVDPV) in Osun state that required immediate and wide-reaching response.

EU-SIGN Activities in Osun State

- The STA conducts weekly review and summary of State immunisation data and stock management with the State Cold Chain Officer and shares and analyses the result to State immunisation stakeholders.
- EU-SIGN is represented at RI stakeholder and technical meetings in Osun State, including the state and Local Immunisation Officers' and Cold Chain Officers' monthly meetings where the group reviews and harmonises immunisation data, identifies interventions to improve performance, and provides feedback, technical guidance and skill updates. EU-SIGN also attends monthly health educators' and Disease Notification Officers' meetings. EU-SIGN is represented on the State Logistics Working Group and the STA facilitates quarterly partner meeting. Working Groups are an opportunity to coordinate activities, review cold chain inventory and placement of equipment and share findings from supervision visits.
- EU-SIGN supports polio eradication activities; including planning, supervision, monitoring and facilitating training for Immunisation Plus Days (IPD) and providing technical assistance during the switch from trivalent to bivalent OPV. There was an outbreak of cVDPV in Osun State and the STA was involved in outbreak response activities. The STA has also helped to prepare, implement and provide training for Integrated Measles Campaigns, Maternal, Newborn and Child Health weeks and Maternal and Neonatal Tetanus Elimination campaigns.
- EU-SIGN provides technical support to training sessions in the State. In addition to training support given to campaigns, the STA has provided training on new vaccine introduction (IPV and

PCV); participated in RI service provider capacity building at LGA level; and provided training on data management for all 30 LGAs. The STA also attended a State-level training session on the District Health Information System (DHIS) 2.

- The STA participates in planning and conducting ISS visits in the State, which is an important opportunity to observe performance, review data, provide training and assess the condition of the cold chain. During each visit, the STA conducts on-the-job training to improve immunisation skills, vaccine management and data management.
- The STA participated in the Post Introduction Evaluation of PCV in Osun State.
- EU-SIGN has provided 34 Direct-Drive Solar Refrigerators (DDSR), renovation in 1 cold store and 1 cold store construction (See table below).

EU-SIGN Supported Equipment, Construction and Renovation Works in Osun State

| EU-SIGN PROJECT SUPPORT AND PROJECT IN OSUN STATE – UPDATED AUGUST 2016 | | | | | |
|---|--|-----|-------------------------------|--------------------|---|
| | | | August 2016 Exchange Rate: | 339.9548 | |
| S/N | ITEMS | Qty | Unit Cost in Euro | Amount in Euro | Comments |
| | SUPPLY | | | | |
| 1a | Direct Drive Solar Refrigerator (big size = 90-120 Lts) | 33 | 8,423 | 277,959 | |
| 1b | Direct Drive Solar Refrigerator (small size = 30-105 Lts) | 1 | 6,151 | 6,151 | |
| | Sub-Total Cost DDSR | | | 284,110 | |
| 2 | Vehicle 4WD | 1 | 31,210 | 31,210 | Inspection done, expecting the delivery any time from now |
| 3 | Computer systems | 4 | 1,252 | 5,007 | Yet to be delivered; to be done before 7 of October, 2016 |
| | SUB-TOTAL SUPPLY COST | | | 320,327 | |
| | WORKS / CONSTRUCTION / RENOVATION OF COLD STORE AND HEALTH FACILITIES | | | | |
| | CONSTRUCTION | | | | |
| 1 | Iremu Ward V Ife Central LGA (Cold Store) | 1 | 87,243 | 87,243 | |
| | RENOVATION | | | | |
| 2 | Irepodun Ward IV, Irepodun LGA (Cold Store) | 1 | 41,123 | 41,123 | |
| | SUB-TOTAL WORKS COST | | | 128,366 | |
| | GRAND TOTAL IN EURO | | | 448,694 | |
| | GRAND TOTAL EQUIVALENT IN NAIRA | | | 152,535,611 | |