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**5 out of 6**

Tdh's total beneficiaries are supported with health activities

**114,000**

Births assisted by healthcare workers trained by Tdh

**5.5 million**

Consultations done with digital tools

## Theory of change **Health programme**

### Context

It is estimated that in 2020, more than 5 million children below 5 years old died of preventable causes; half of them died during their first month of life. Additionally, every year there are around 2.6 million stillbirths and more than 290,000 women die during the perinatal period. Undernutrition is the main underlying cause being related to half of children's deaths. Most of these deaths occur in low resource settings; Sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia together account for 70% of childhood death in the world.

### Goal

Tdh wants to contribute to a significant and sustainable decrease in maternal, newborn, and child diseases and deaths, and to the reduction of child malnutrition.

### Target population

Tdh works with local health authorities and organizations to develop and strengthen national competencies focusing on three interrelated priority areas:

Also:

- Families and caregivers
- Communities
- Healthcare workers (community and primary level)

### Added value and contribution to change

Tdh works with local health authorities and organizations to develop and strengthen national competencies focusing on three interrelated priority areas:

#### Perinatal health:

To reduce maternal and newborn mortality through:

- Continuous training of primary healthcare workers
- Use of digital job aids for pre-, at birth, and post-natal care

#### Health systems strengthening:

To ensure sustainable impact through:

- Digital tools for epidemiological surveillance and response
- Improving WASH infrastructure in healthcare facilities

#### Digital health:

As a means to amplify and accelerate impact:

- Digital IMCI for improved healthcare for children under 5
- Artificial intelligence tools to improve the quality of primary health services

## Differentiation approaches

### Innovation and ICT4D:

- Contributing to the development of new diagnostic tools
- Exploring strategies to improve health data analysis and use by artificial intelligence
- Enabling participation of teams and communities in the proposition of innovations

### Advocacy and participation:

- Generating evidence-based information for policy decision making
- Promoting healthy behaviour with community participation and engagement
- Advocating for universal health coverage (UHC) at national and international levels

### Partnership and localization:

- Working in close collaboration with local health authorities and community groups
- Strengthening capacity development to improve management and delivery of sustainable good quality health services



## Multi-sectoral approach

### Health and Migration:

Improving access to appropriate and quality essential primary healthcare for children below 5 years old and pregnant women along migratory routes and during internal displacement.

### Health and Access to Justice:

Ensuring prompt access to perinatal health services for pregnant women (and for their children under 5) in contact with the law with focus on those deprived of liberty with special attention to victims of GBV.

### Health and Child Protection:

Strengthening the integration of health and protection to ensure psychosocial support, well-being, resilience, and access to services to mothers and children victims of violence and abuse.

### Health and Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH):

Improving WASH conditions in primary healthcare facilities with special focus on the maternity ward and supporting training of health staff and cleaning staff on infection prevention and control in healthcare facilities.

## Alignment with institutional priorities

Tdh's Health ToC directly contributes to the **SDGs 2; 3; and 6** and is aligned with the **Article 24 on health rights of the Convention of the Rights of the Child**. This ToC is also aligned with Tdh's institutional priorities:

### Nexus:

Contributing to the resilience of health systems and communities during crises and supporting emergency response with local organizations and authorities.

### Climate change:

Reducing of Tdh's carbon footprint related to health activities, implementing early-warning systems and supporting victims of climate crises, and advocating for climate justice and environmental protection.

### Gender and diversity:

Supporting women empowerment to take correct decision on health, promoting positive masculinity and engagement of men on family's health and providing equitable access of health staff to trainings and job opportunities.

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