At least 2,400 pregnant women and 70,000 children die each year in Myanmar, largely from preventable causes.

One third of all children are stunted (short for their age), an indication of chronic poor nutrition. HIV, TB and malaria exact a heavy burden, and drug resistance poses a global public health threat.

In partnership with the Government of Myanmar and other partners, the 3MDG Fund strengthens the national health system at all levels, extending access for poor and vulnerable populations to quality health services.

The 3MDG Fund has a significant, timely and nationwide impact improving maternal, newborn and child health, combating HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, and health system strengthening to deliver sustainable, efficient and responsive healthcare across Myanmar.

The Fund provides substantial resources aligned with the Ministry of Health’s priorities and initiatives in support of these goals.

It is funded by Australia, Denmark, the European Union, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States of America, and will provide funding support of $334 million during 2012–2016.

The 3MDG Fund is an expansion of the previous Three Diseases Fund (3DF, 2007-2012) which focused on HIV, TB and malaria control. 3DF itself was a response to the exit from Myanmar of the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and malaria (GFATM) in 2005.

The Fund is managed by the United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS).
WHAT DOES 3MDG FUND?

**NATIONAL IMPACT FACILITY**  
$50 million

- **MATERNAL, NEWBORN & CHILD HEALTH**  
  $142.9 million  
  - Scale up of Services in Conflict Affected Areas  
    - State-wide approach across Kayah State  
    - Support to service delivery across Townships in Shan State  
    - $19.9 million  
  - Support to Health Care in Special Regions  
    - Integrated service delivery for populations living in Wa (SR2) and Monglar (SR4)  
    - $7.7 million  
  - Strengthening Service Delivery  
    - Ayeyarwady Region, Magway Region, Chin State  
    - Construction of rural health facilities  
    - Support to demand creation, both public and private sector  
    - $104.4 million  
  - Support to the MOH’s Human Resources for Health Strategy  
    - Joint support to the Dept of Health and Dept of Medical Science for midwifery strengthening activities nationwide  
    - Training in 2015 of over 5,000 new Auxiliary Midwives  
    - $10.9 million  

- **HIV, TUBERCULOSIS & MALARIA**  
  $97 million  
  - Support to the National Strategic Plan on HIV and AIDS (Harm Reduction)  
    - Population: people who inject drugs, sex workers, MSM  
    - Support to scale up Harm Reduction  
    - HIV Policy  
    - $24.4 million  
  - Support to the National TB Strategy (TB-ACF & MDR-TB)  
    - Technical Support  
    - Scale up of Active Case Finding-TB (ACF-TB) nationwide  
    - Multi Drug Resistant-TB (MDR-TB) in Mandalay and Yangon Regions  
    - $34.5 million  
  - Support to the National Malaria Strategy  
    - Support to the scale up of Myanmar Artemisinin Resistance Containment (MARC)  
    - $34.1 million  

- **HEALTH SYSTEMS STRENGTHENING**  
  $35 million  
  - Governance and Stewardship  
    - Technical assistance to the MOH to support decision making and oversight of external assistance  
    - Strengthen PFM for the health sector  
    - Capacity development at Central and State/Region level  
    - Capacity development of MoH staff through scholarships  
    - $3.2 million  
  - Support to Evidence Base Strategy and Policy  
    - A health financing policy for Universal Health Coverage  
    - Policy and strategy for Essential Package of Health Services (EPHS)  
    - Private sector regulation, including Public Private Partnerships (PPP)  
    - $7.5 million  
  - Human Resources for Health  
    - Support to implementation of health workforce strategic plan  
    - $2.5 million  
  - Systems Support  
    - Strengthening of the national supply chain management systems  
    - Expanding vaccine cold chain nationwide  
    - Contraceptive procurement nationwide  
    - $19.2 million  
  - Community Engagement  
    - Technical Assistance for Fund- health service accountability, “do no harm” approaches  
    - Collective voices: community health experiences and capacity development of Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and Civil Society Organisations (CSOs)  
    - $4 million  

- **NATIONWIDE IMPACT ON MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH**  
  $142.9 million  
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  - 20 Midwifery schools supported and strengthened  
  - 198 Townships strengthened with effective cold chain equipment  
  - 63 new rural health facilities built  

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VALUE FOR MONEY (DALY*)  
Maternal, Newborn and Child Health  

216,350 DALYs averted  
$577 cost per DALY  
(highly cost-effective as per WHO criteria)  

* The disability-adjusted life year (DALY) is a measure of overall disease burden, expressed as the number of years lost due to ill-health, disability or early death.
HEALTH SERVICE COVERAGE FINANCED BY 3MDG at December 2014

HEALTH SYSTEM STRENGTHENING

NOTE: This map does not represent nationwide activities covered under grants such as:

- National TB Program for active case finding covering 321 townships
- PSI for contraceptive procurement nationwide
- Training of over 5,000 Auxiliary Midwives
- Strengthening of Midwifery, working with 20 midwifery schools nationwide

Maternal, Newborn and Child Health
Tuberculosis (ACF, MDR-TB)
HIV (Harm Reduction)
Malaria (as part of MARC)
HIV, TB, malaria (integrated projects)

Dots indicate townships where more than one type of project is being implemented
GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE

Design work on the 3MDG Fund commenced in 2010 with a goal to improve Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (MNCH) and to reduce the burden of communicable disease in areas of highest need in Myanmar. At that time, there were fewer opportunities to work with the Government of Myanmar, and an urgent need for expanded access to health services.

Following a Strategic Review in 2014, the 3MDG Fund has reconstituted its Fund Board to include the Ministry of Health, donors and independent experts.

This will strengthen governance and stewardship of the health sector and also the delivery of the 3MDG Fund.

COMMITTED DONOR SUPPORT *

Pooling contributions from seven major bilateral donors, the 3MDG Fund is the largest development fund in Myanmar.

- DFID (44%)
- DFAT (29.5%)
- EU (11.3%)
- Sweden (9.3%)
- Roll over from other funds:  
  - 3DF (1.4%)
  - JIMNCH (0.4%)

$ 334 million*

A RIGHT-BASED APPROACH

The 3MDG Fund supports the vision of the Government of Myanmar to reach Universal Health Coverage (UHC) by 2030 and the Constitutional objective of ensuring that every citizen shall have the right to health care.[1]

Through a rights-based approach, 3MDG contributes to equitable access to quality health services by empowering and engaging communities in decision making and implementation, and ensuring the voices of women, minorities and other vulnerable communities are heard.

We support the Ministry of Health to establish transparent mechanisms for greater accountability in the health system.

We also support more meaningful participation at all levels and use the skills, strengths and knowledge of community members for better services and consumer satisfaction.


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