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In Dedaye, supply and demand side interventions are being used to address the challenges people face in accessing an essential package of health care. On the supply side, the 3MDG Fund is providing financial and capacity building support to the public sector to strengthen service delivery. On the demand side and through the public sector as well as the implementing partners, the 3MDG Fund supports the strengthening of community-based health services, the referral of emergency cases and private sector health care services. An essential part of the approach to improve service provision for hard to reach areas is through enhancing the planning capacity of the Township Health Departments.

The interventions strengthen services for immunization, child health, reproductive and maternal health, nutrition, health promotion, community mobilization and community health volunteers. Supported interventions, such as emergency referrals, have shown to have a high impact on saving lives of mothers and children.

The partnership and collaboration between the Township Health Department and NGOs enable the support of both supply-side and demand-side interventions:

- **Supply Side**
  - Outreach Sessions
  - Planning and Coordination
  - Administration and Management
  - Supplies and Renovation

- **Demand Side**
  - Training of Voluntary Health Workers
  - Medicines and Medical Supplies to VHW
  - Referrals (Emergency Referral System)
  - Activities at Community Level

**Equity** **Participation** **Quality of care**

**Accessibility** **Coverage**

**Efficiency** **Affordability**

**OUTCOMES**

PHOTO: Community Health Volunteers play an essential role in community health, as they help raise community awareness on primary health care issues and are the first responders for community health.

(Credit: Relief International)
MNCH SUPPORT TO DEDEAYE TOWNSHIP
Township Health Department and Relief International

**BUDGET**
US$ 6,004,815

**DURATION**
1 January 2013 to 31 December 2016

**GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION**
Ayeyarwady Region (Dedaye Township)

**POPULATION COVERED**
207,535
(387 villages, 47 Sub-Rural Health Centres, 9 Rural Health Centres and 3 Station Hospitals)

**KEY INTERVENTIONS**
- Delivery of essential services with a focus on maternal and child health, strengthened in target townships
- Demand side financing including emergency referrals
- Strengthen systems for delivery of essential MNCH services
- Enhance health services accountability and responsiveness through capacity development of target communities, civil society organizations and the public sector.

**CONTINUATION OF MNCH SERVICES TO MYANMAR’S DELTA REGION**
3MDG’s funding ensures the continuity of services previously provided under the Joint Initiative for Maternal, Neonatal and Child Health programme (JIMNCH), a three-year collaborative programme that began in mid-2010 and was supported by the governments of Australia, Norway and the U.K. The goal of JIMNCH was to increase access to maternal, newborn and child health services among the most vulnerable and hard-to-reach populations in areas affected by Cyclone Nargis. Five partners in the Ayeyarwady Region whose work was extended from the JIMNCH were awarded 3MDG grants in 2013, and their work harmonized with the Fund’s approach.

**KEY RESULTS IN DEDEAYE**
January 2015 to June 2015 (Percentage 2015 targets reached)

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<td>1,175 (82%) NEWBORN CARE PROVIDED WITHIN 3 DAYS</td>
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<td>1,098 (65%) PREGNANT WOMEN ATTENDED 4 ANTE-NATAL CARE VISITS</td>
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<td>913 (62%) DELIVERIES BY SKILLED BIRTH ATTENDANTS</td>
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<td>1,393 (102%) CHILDREN YOUNGER THAN 1 YEARS IMMUNISED WITH PENTA3</td>
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*Analysis of results for July 2015 to December 2015 will not be available until March 2016*

PHOTO: A mother and child visit to receive EPI treatment (Credit: Relief International)