



## SUMMARY REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019

### Introduction

The theme for this year’s World Malaria Day is “Zero Malaria starts with me”. It is a call to arms for every citizen to join the fight against malaria. Partners gathered in Paris, as well as in countries across our continent, underscored that to eliminate malaria in our lifetime, we must all step up (#StepUpTheFight) and be accountable.

In ethics and governance, accountability is described as answerability, duty boundness, liability, and the expectation of open and transparent account-giving.

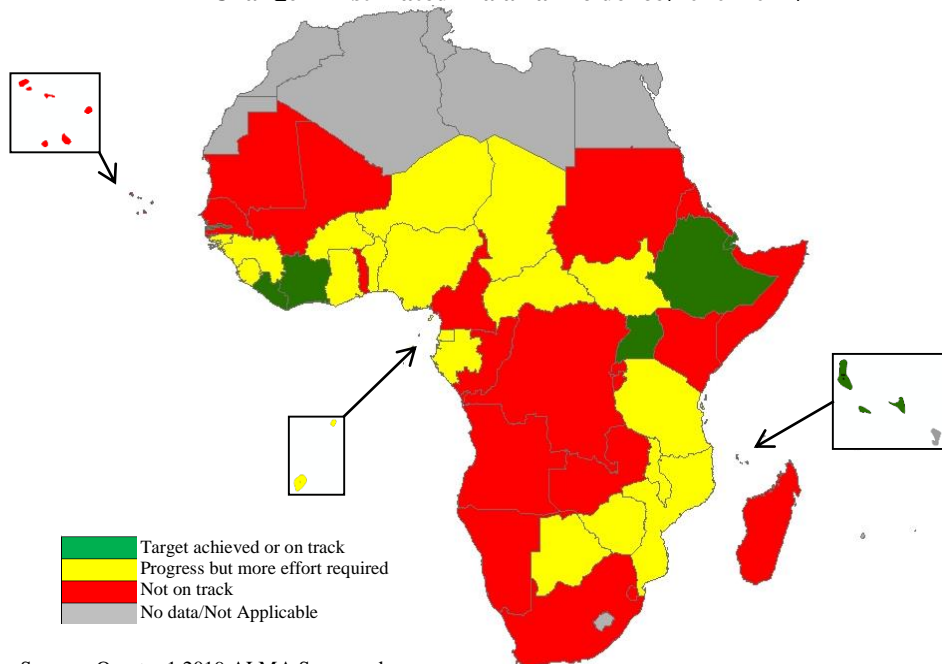
The African continent through its Heads of state and government, has committed to ending malaria in our vision of the Africa we want. In operationalizing our commitment to the SDGs; the AU has developed a Catalytic Framework to End AIDS, TB and Eliminate Malaria in Africa By 2030.

### Answerability

Every country has developed a strategic plan that speaks to this catalytic framework, stipulating what actions each country is committing to taking to control and eliminate malaria. The challenge is reflected in the World Malaria Report 2018 whose data was used to map incidence below.

- MEMBERS
- Angola
  - Benin
  - Botswana
  - Burkina Faso
  - Burundi
  - Cameroon
  - Cape Verde
  - Chad
  - Comoros
  - Republic of Congo
  - Côte d'Ivoire
  - Democratic Republic of Congo
  - Djibouti
  - Egypt
  - Equatorial Guinea
  - Eritrea
  - Eswatini
  - Ethiopia
  - Gabon
  - Ghana
  - Guinea
  - Kenya
  - Lesotho
  - Liberia
  - Madagascar
  - Malawi
  - Mali
  - Mauritania
  - Mauritius
  - Mozambique
  - Morocco
  - Namibia
  - Niger
  - Nigeria
  - Rwanda
  - Sahrawi Arab Democratic Republic
  - São Tomé and Príncipe
  - Senegal
  - Seychelles
  - Sierra Leone
  - Somalia
  - South Africa
  - South Sudan
  - Sudan
  - The Gambia
  - Togo
  - Uganda
  - United Republic of Tanzania
  - Zambia
  - Zimbabwe

Change in Estimated Malaria Incidence(2010–2017)



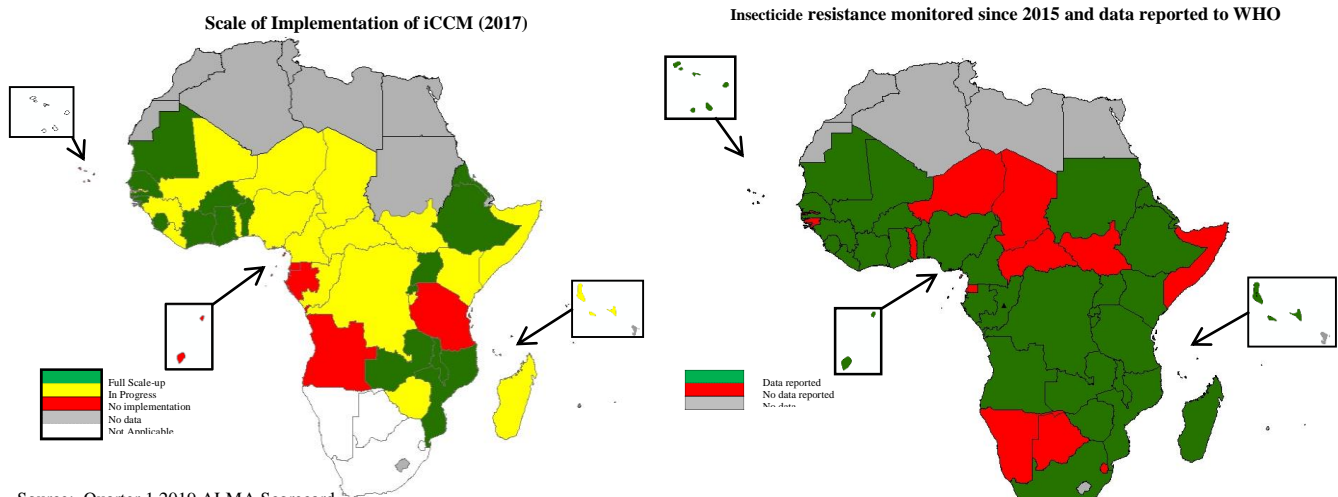
Source: Quarter 1 2019 ALMA Scorecard

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The Zero Malaria starts with me challenge, takes the fight to every household, every employer and every player, and sector in the economy. Every stakeholder must understand their role and how to execute it, going beyond information dissemination to agreeing specific assigned tasks and setting targets, will be critical to this engagement.

### Duty Boundness

Assigned stakeholders tasks, must be matched with the capacity and tools that are available to each stakeholder. Each intervention required must reflect the role of every participant including individuals, households, community leaders, businesses, public sector departments, and partners. We are all duty bearers in the fight against malaria.



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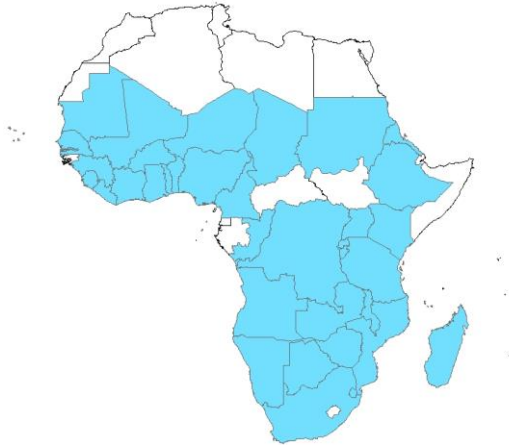
Effective integrated community case management for example requires clear roles for Parents, Community health workers, Community leaders, Churches, civil society, Businesses and companies, Government departments, Technical, financial and other development partners.

The same approach must be adopted for every intervention, including insecticide resistance monitoring, where technical partners must support the public sector in the implementation of the insecticide resistance management plan. In 2017, seventeen of the countries on the continent had not reported to WHO on insecticide resistance since 2015, making it difficult to assess the level of resistance in these countries.

## Liability

In order to hold a stakeholder liable for results and meeting agreed targets, there will have to be an effective HMIS as well as an efficient monitoring and management mechanism that tracks performance

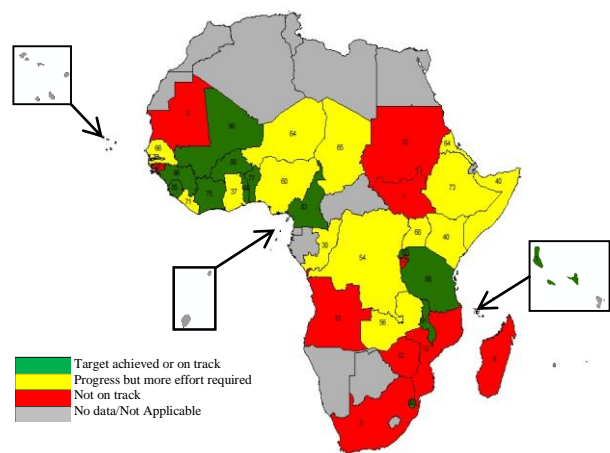
Countries with Malaria Control/Elimination Scorecard



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Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2017)



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results and impact. The country malaria control and elimination scorecards are such a tool. Countries are urged to use these management tools for monitoring of performance and for bottleneck analysis, working together with all national malaria partners.

A similar argument can be made for neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) which have clear targets, defined roles and responsibilities for all stakeholders. At the end of 2017, ten countries were not on track in the mass treatment coverage for NTDs. At the same time, another ten were not collecting the relevant data to monitor performance.

## Open and transparent reporting

The fight against malaria is relevant for everyone in the country. The economic, financial, social, and wellbeing toll on populations undermines every development effort. The African Leaders Malaria Alliance Chair, supported by other AU Heads of State and Government, have called for the establishment of national multi stakeholder councils/commissions / high level committees; that will oversee stakeholder participation and progress in this fight.

In engaging national stakeholders, regular progress reports must be made available to everyone. The quarterly national scorecards and action tracking mechanism are a useful tool in this respect.

Making them public documents, fully engages every stakeholder, making it possible for all players to track progress, to support one another and to own the country's results.

Countries are urged to do this as part of the "Zero Malaria starts with me" challenge.