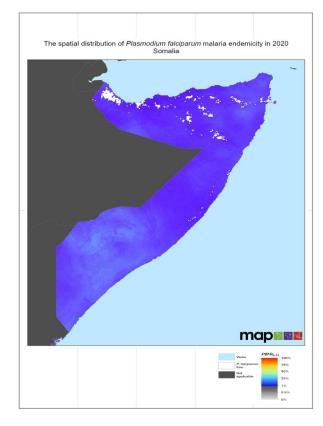
# Somalia ALMA Quarterly Report Quarter Four 2024



#### Scorecard for Accountability and Action



| Financing   |   |    |
|---|---|----|
| LLIN financing (2024-2026) projection (% of need)   |   | 4  |
| Public sector ACTs and RTDs financing (2024-2026)<br>projection (% of need)                               |   | 10 |
| % of National Malaria Strategic Plan Financed (2024-<br>2026)   |   | 6  |
| Policy  |   |    |
| Signed, ratified and deposited the AMA instrument at the AUC  |   |    |
| Malaria activities targeting refugees in Malaria Strategic<br>Plan  |   |    |
| Malaria activities targeting IDPs in Malaria Strategic<br>Plan  |   |    |
| Zero Malaria Starts With Me Launched  |   |    |
| End Malaria Council and Fund Launched   |   |    |
| Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact  |   |    |
| Drug efficacy studies conducted since 2019 and data<br>reported to WHO                                    |   |    |
| Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in<br>representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010     |   |    |
| Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data<br>reported to WHO                                   |   |    |
| % of vector control in the last year with next generation materials                                       |   |    |
| On track to reduce malaria incidence by at least 75% by 2025 (vs 2015)                                    |   |    |
| On track to reduce malaria mortality by at least 75% by 2025 (vs 2015)                                    |   |    |
| Tracer Indicators for Maternal and Child Health and NTD   | 5 |    |
| Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical<br>Disease (NTD index, %)(2023)                            | v | 5  |
| % of Neglected Tropical Disease MDAs Achieving WHO<br>Targets   |   | 3  |
| National Budget Allocated to NTDs   |   |    |
| Estimated % of children (0–14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2023) |   | 1  |
| Vitamin A Coverage 2022 (2 doses)   |   | 7  |
| DPT3 coverage 2023 (vaccination among 0-11 month<br>olds)   |   | 4  |
| Climate Change and VBDs in NDCs   | 1 |    |

#### Key

Malaria transmission ranges from unstable and epidemic in Puntland and Somaliland to moderate in central Somalia to high in the south. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2023 was 13,688 and 0 deaths.



Target achieved or on track Progress but more effort required Not on track No data Not applicable

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### Malaria

Africa is at the centre of a perfect storm that threatens to disrupt malaria services and undo decades of progress. We must act urgently to both prevent and mitigate the adverse effects of the ongoing global financial crisis, increasing biological threats, climate change, and humanitarian crises. These threats represent the most serious emergency facing malaria in 20 years and will lead to malaria upsurges and epidemics if not addressed. AU Member States face a \$1.5 billion gap just to sustain existing, yet inadequate, levels of malaria-related services between now and 2026. To get back on track and eliminate malaria, we will need to mobilise another \$5.2 billion dollars annually to fully finance our national malaria plans. Climate change presents a significant threat to the progress that we have made. Africa is disproportionately exposed to the risks of climate change and by the 2030s, 150 million additional people will be at risk of malaria because of warmer temperatures and increased rainfall. Climate disasters displace millions and destroy roads and health facilities, reducing access to health services. There is urgency to decarbonise and reduce our carbon footprint. We must implement integrated and multisectoral solutions, and adapt our health systems to the threats of both climate change and pandemics. We must also take action to confront the threats of insecticide and drug resistance, reduced efficacy of rapid diagnostic tests, and the Anopheles stephensi mosquito which spreads malaria in both urban and rural areas. The good news is that the malaria toolkit continues to expand. WHO has approved the use of dual-insecticide mosquito nets that are 43% more effective than traditional mosquito nets and will address the impact of insecticide-resistance. New medicines for treating malaria and two malaria vaccines for children have also been approved with an increasing number of countries deploying these new tools. The scaling up of these interventions will help us achieve our goal of eliminating malaria. This will require integrated approaches with malaria as a pathfinder for pandemic preparedness, climate change and health, Primary Health Care and Universal Health Coverage. We must work to sustain and increase domestic resource commitments including through multisectoral End Malaria and NTD councils and Funds, which have raised over US\$125 million.

#### Progress

Somalia has secured sufficient resources to procure the ACTs and RDTs required in 2024-26 but has gaps in vector control and in fully implementing the national strategic plan. The country has carried out drug resistance monitoring since 2018, and insecticide resistance monitoring since 2015 and has reported the results to WHO. The national strategic plan includes activities targeting refugees and IDPs.

#### Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2022 was 23,450 and 1 deaths.

#### **Key Challenges**

- A weak health system and relatively few partners limit scale up of core malaria interventions.
- Insufficient resources to fully implement the national strategic plan

#### **Previous Key Recommended Actions**

| Objective | Action Item  | Suggested<br>completion<br>timeframe | Progress | Comments - key<br>activities/accomplishments since last<br>quarterly report |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------------|----------|---|
| Policy    | Sign, ratify and deposit<br>the AMA instrument at<br>the AUC | Q1 2023                              |          | No progress reported  |

Somalia has responded positively to the recommended actions addressing lack of insecticide resistance monitoring and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

#### New Key Recommended Action

| Objective | Action Item  | Suggested<br>completion<br>timeframe |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Impact    | Investigate and address the reasons for the lack of<br>progress in reducing malaria incidence and deaths<br>since 2015, which means that the country is not on<br>track to achieve the 2025 target of a 75% reduction in<br>malaria incidence and deaths | Q4 2025                              |

# Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Adolescent and Child Health

#### Previous Key Recommended Action

Somalia has responded positively to the recommended action addressing low coverage of ARTs in children under 14 and continues to track progress as these actions are implemented.

# **Neglected Tropical Diseases**

#### Progress

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in Somalia is measured using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for schistosomiasis, and soil transmitted helminthiasis. In 2023, preventive chemotherapy coverage was 88% for schistosomiasis and 39% for soil transmitted helminthiasis, and not reported for trachoma. Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index in 2023 is 59. The country reached the WHO MDA target only for schistosomiasis in 2023.

| Objective                          | Action Item  | Suggested<br>completion<br>timeframe | Progress | Comments - key<br>activities/accomplishments since last<br>quarterly report |
|------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|----------|---|
| Climate<br>Change<br>and<br>health | Work to collate data on<br>the impact of climate<br>change on Vector Borne<br>disease and incorporate<br>into the next round on<br>National Determined<br>Contributions and<br>National Climate<br>Change Action Plans | Q4 2025                              |          | Deliverable not yet due   |

#### **Previous Key Recommended Actions**

#### New Key Recommended Action

| Objective | Action Item  | Suggested<br>completion<br>timeframe |
|-----------|--|--------------------------------------|
| NTDs      | Submit data to the AUC on the national Budget<br>Allocated to NTDs | Q4 2025                              |

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| Action achieved         |
|-------------------------|
| Some progress           |
| No progress             |
| Deliverable not yet due |