

Key Informant Interview Guide (HIV/AIDS Focal Persons) Response from Mozambique

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Assessment of HIV/AIDS Mainstreaming in Transport Portfolio

On the Road Sector, ANE has an HIV/AIDS Program been implemented for the ANE workers and civil workers at the Road Projects

A HIV/AIDS Strategy was designed for the implementation of the activities at ANE level, and for the Road Projects a document called Special Specifications is being implemented. It includes the road workers and all communities affected by the road construction

HIV/AIDS Prevention

The stakeholders were involved only during the implementation of the project
The interventions borrow from the National Strategic Plan, because it emphasizes mainstreaming of HIV/AIDS in all government, as well as mobilizing staff and budgets for HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care and Treatment.

A survey on stigma and discrimination was held and this issue is included in all activities and discussed in the meetings.

The major challenges encountered during the implementation are:

- Weak mobilization and involvement of the leaderships
- Weak advocacy initiatives
- Lack of mobilization and education on Voluntary and Counseling Test (VCT)
- Isolated/ inconsistent interventions for behavior change
- Lack of an effective Monitoring and Evaluation mechanism
- Lack of an HIV/AIDS Policy
- Weak supervision, support and mobilization

The prevention program can be improved if the leaderships start facing the problematic of HIV/AIDS as a serious problem.

It is necessary to improve the initiatives for behavior change, and the programs must be more aggressive in terms of implementation of activities, care, support and treatment and a linkage should be well defined between the institutions.

Communications Strategies should be designed and addressed specially to the most vulnerable communities.

On order to make the programs sustainable, capacity building should take place since the beginning of the programs, specially at the most vulnerable communities.

Care, Support and Treatment

Presently, only nutritional support is being given to the workers who found their HIV results positive.

A Policy is being designed and it will be approved by October 17th. It includes care, support and treatment but the component treatment is not yet well defined, it is under discussion.

Coordination and Capacity Building

Actually, there is a coordination established between ANE, MOPH (Ministry of Public Works and Housing) CNCS and other NGOs working on HIV/AIDS. In terms of capacity building, different activities were implemented in order to improve the technical capacity building of the staff working on HIV/AIDS.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Activities are monitored by supervision visits, monitoring sheet, and reports. The frequency of data collection is monthly.

Sustainability

Other findings for the HIV/AIDS programs are: SIDA, DFID, Nordic Fund, CNCS (National *Council of Fighting against AIDS*), European Union

Additional funds will be required to provide treatment.