

Emergency Transport Scheme (ETS)

Gombe State, Nigeria

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Agenda



- Transaid - an overview
- What is the Emergency Transport Scheme (ETS)
- ETS in Nigeria
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Transaid - an overview



- Transaid is an international UK development NGO that aims to reduce poverty and improve livelihoods across Africa and the developing world through creating better transport
- Founded by Save the Children and the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport



- Transaid's history goes back over 25 years and is strongly supported by the European Transport and Logistics Industry
- Our core expertise:
 - Transport management systems and effective vehicle mgt
 - Professional driver training
 - Intermediate modes of transport

What is the ETS?

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The Emergency Transport Scheme is a system which uses an established private system (such as a taxi union) to help transport an expectant mother experiencing a complication.

The model uses an existing and functioning transport system as a complement to a system already in place (e.g. ambulances).

What is the ETS? 2/2

Cost and availability of transport: major barriers for access to health care in rural areas

- Community managed system
- Local taxi drivers volunteer
- Service delivered

free of charge
(fuel cost only)

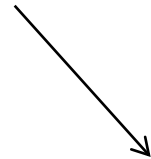
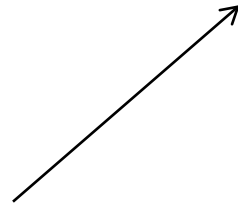
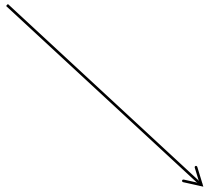


ETS in Nigeria

- Supported by the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW)
- Started in Jigawa State
- Successfully implemented in Jigawa, Katsina, Yobe, Zamfara and Gombe States



How ETS works



| Driver start location | | KM travelled | | | | KM travelled | | |
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| Date | Community/Other | | Pick up Point | Woman's Name | Drop off Point | | Motor Park | Signature |
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| S/N | COMMUNITY | DRIVER NAME | WOMAN'S NAME | PICK UP POINT | WOMAN'S NAME | DROP OFF POINT |
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| 1 | KOMAN WOTA | SUNANI GARFI | SUNANI MAFA AN MIBINTA | SATTAHUN MAMGABA | SUNANI ASIBICI | SATTAHUN MALAMET ASIBICI |
| 1 | 19/7/2010 | STABEWA | FASTUMA ABDULLAHI | ASIBICI | GENE RAL HOSPITAL DUKKY | — |
| 2 | 21/7/2010 | STABEWA | GOGO SARKI | ASIBICI | — | — |
| 3 | 28/7/2010 | STABEWA | ZAINABU SULAIMAN | ASIBICI | — | — |

| S/N | DATE | COMMUNITY | DRIVER NAME | KM TRAVELLED | PICK UP POINT | WOMAN'S NAME | DROP OFF POINT | MOTOR PARK | SIGNATURE |
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| 1 | 10-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 25 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |
| 2 | 11-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 22 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |
| 3 | 12-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 10 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |
| 4 | 13-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 25 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |
| 5 | 14-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 25 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |
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| 21 | 30-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 25 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |
| 22 | 31-7-10 | Amala | Abdullah | 25 | Amala | Mariam Hassan | Amala | Amala | |

The Maternal and Neonatal Health Project in Gombe 1/2



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- Transaid is working with the Nigerian NGO Society for Family Health in Gombe State, North-eastern Nigeria
- 2 years project

Aim of the project: *“Explore models for improving critical maternal and neonatal health practices in the home and position successful approaches for scale-up”*

The Maternal and Neonatal Health Project in Gombe 2/2



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Some of the key components of the Project:

- The provision of clean delivery kits to pregnant women in the rural communities to assist them during and after delivery.
- Establishment of a call centre to facilitate easy communication between community members and other stakeholders whose patients (pregnant women) are in distress to reach out for medical care.
- Provision of easy means of emergency transportation to enable women access health care.
- Provision of home-based care, using trained traditional birth attendants (TBAs) to assist women who are in labour.

ETS implementation in Gombe State

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- ETS implemented by Transaid in 4 pilot Local Government Areas (LGAs): Billiri, Kaltungo, Nafada and Dukku (out of 11 in the State)
- Implementation in coordination with other project activities, in order to evaluate the different combinations and find out which models are the most successful when combined with ETS.
- 2 components: training of volunteer drivers (ETS1) and motor park sensitisation (ETS2)



ETS implementation in Gombe State

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- 160 drivers trained across the 4 LGAs
- Communities across the 4 LGAs mobilised and informed about ETS
- Sensitisation meetings at motor parks across the 4 LGAs: about 400 drivers sensitised across the 4 LGAs
- 248 women transported by ETS volunteer drivers between May and September 2010

ETS implementation in Gombe State

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- Community members and traditional leaders have been sensitised about the importance of timely referral in maternal emergencies



- Drivers understand the importance of their role, are now willing to provide their services free of charge and their commitment is respected by the communities

Thank you for listening
..... any questions?



A mother of triplets, her husband and the ETS volunteer driver who transported her to the hospital, where she safely delivered her babies.