Working Group: Truckers TI

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Significant scale up in NACP III: 8-15x increase in service levels in 2010

	2009	2010	% Change
Coverage	399,399	3,043,702	762%
Clinic Footfalls	45,931	449,155	978%
STI	6,644	60,952	917%
ICTC Reached	11,593	40,585	350%
CSM	293,944	4,242,493	1443%

Vision for Truckers program in NACP IV

- To **reduce HIV prevalence** from 2% to less than 1%
- <u>Increase coverage</u> of LDTs from 1.13 million (50%) to 2 million (85%). Universe is 2.5 million.
- <u>Network of Trucker TIs</u> to be operationalized in NACP IV with budgetary support
- <u>Smart cards</u> proposed to provide universal access to services (since ICTC & ART access needs to improve)
- The current <u>management model at national and</u> <u>state level works and</u> to continue with focus on <u>quality and information sharing</u>

Vision for Truckers program in NACP IV

- <u>Flexibility in TI operations</u> needed through OG/CG to improve efficacy and coverage
- For <u>families of truckers</u> in rural high prevalence districts and villages which have a high density of truckers it is suggested that a study be undertaken to understand the situation.
- Intervention can then be part of Link Worker and Migrant Source programme. Package of services may be the same.
- Scaling up of WPI models, PPP models

Target Groups

- Primary group :
 - <u>Long Distance Truckers travelling a minimum of</u> <u>800Kms one way / away from home for more</u> <u>than 2 wks.</u>
- Secondary group:
 - <u>The allied population</u>, defined as transport industry related workers at the intervention location.
 - <u>A study to find out the vulnerability and risk</u> <u>behaviour</u> of the non trucking industry workers within the intervention area (mechanics, hamalis, Dhaba owners, barbers etc.) is proposed

Target Group

- <u>A study to define special package of services</u> <u>for the NE states</u> where the distance might be less than 800Kms but the character of the trucker remains long distance because of the number of days travelled
- A <u>package of basic services to cater to</u> <u>special category sectors</u> like automobiles, petrol, transportation of trucks, mining, etc.

Quality parameters to strengthen services

- Introduce a point of care testing for Syphilis and HIV as a screening mechanism at the TIs
- <u>Minimum standards need to be revisited</u> for BCC, STI, Outreach and condom promotion, based on the site categorization
- <u>Minimum standards for the quality services</u> <u>to be developed.</u> Minimum standards would include evidence based thematic communicationplan, execute and monitor evidence

Scope of work for NNTI

• <u>**Constituents:</u>** Associations, Brokers, Transport departments, Truckers Tis, SACS, NACO and supporting structures</u>

• **Deliverables:**

- <u>Networking with a goal</u> to move towards universal access to services.
- <u>Institutionalise a system for tracking</u> –through a unique Smart Card. (Registration and service related information may be tabulated.)
- Mascot stickers on long distance trucks for identification

Institutionalization of TIs

• **<u>Partnerships</u>** among

- all partners intervening with truckers
- Industry and experts for communication strategy, advocacy for policy issues with all stake holders

A different strategy needs to be developed in consultation with large industry bodies to

engage corporate sector

Capacity Building

- <u>Perspective building at management level</u> (State & National)
- <u>Synergy and Role Clarity</u> between the various actors in the state
- Managerial inputs in modules- soft skills
- <u>**Role of counselor**</u> needs to be defined further and training provided accordingly
- Areas that need strengthening:
 - Communication skills of ORW,PE;
 - Project Planning & Management,
 - Analysis of data at intervention level,
 - Assessment of strategies-effectiveness at local level

Emerging issues

- <u>Communication</u> would need to be focused additionally upon increasing self-risk perception considering that a level of awareness appears to have improved.
- Special issues of ICTC/ART access Ensuring <u>favorable policies</u> are formulated to address access
- Continuing without addressing the drivers of risk behavior among the target population may not yield much results

Costing guidelines

- The following costs have been proposed to the existing budget
 - M&E Officer
 - Waste disposal
 - Training cost in place of DiC
 - Health camp
 - Stationery
 - AMC
 - Salary revision proposed to bring in parity across programmes.