

Tanzania activities as of 28 February, 2017.

Topic A) Activities until 01.07.2017

Activity A-1: Preliminary preparations for autoclave + shredder installation (Please provide drawing, MOU, HR approval, environmental permits basic information)

Status: Four Health care facilities (Muhimbili Hospital, Mwananyamala, Hospital, Mbagala Rangi Tatu Hospital, Sinza Hospital and Anglican Hospital) have confirmed their interest to participate in the project, all sites have officially written to UNDP/MOH on their willingness to participate in the project. All the sites have indicated their commitment in terms of providing required infrastructure to install the autoclave.

The drawings shared by IRH will be disseminated to project participating sites by March, 2016.

Activity A-2: Policy framework review (Policy review report)

Status: The meeting comprised stakeholders from: Tanzania Ministry of Health, UNDP, WHO, Private sector, Vice President's office, Prime Minister's office, Environmental Council of Tanzania, Tanzania Public Health Association, Regional Environmental Health Officers was conveyed in February, 2017 to review HCWM policy guidelines and standards. The team will host an expert from WHO-Genève from 1-3 March, 2017 to assist finalization of the draft discontents.

Activity A-3: Mapping of recycling industry (List of all recycling companies with specifications type, quantities and money they pay + Report)

Status: The project is in the process of hiring a local consultant who will carry out this activity. TORs for this work was shared to UNDP procurement unit for advertisement. The review of applications will be held the first week of March, 2017.

The consultant will provide a detailed report on List of all recycling companies with specifications type, quantities and money they pay.

Activity A-4: Mercury elimination strategy plan, pilot facilities (Please provide Final Plan)

Status: The project Workplan has incorporated a component regarding elimination of mercury in all five project facilities. Inventory of Mercury containing devices for Tanzania has

been shared to IRH. The project consultant who will be on board before the end of March, 2017 will support implementation of the strategy.

Activity A-5: Preparation for receiving non-mercury containing equipment (Distribution strategy developed, storage sites for mercury containing devices are agreed on + mode of collection; initial training)

Status: Project team and consultant will work together in preparing the project sites to receive non-mercury equipment. The activity will tentatively commence on March, 2017.

Consultant will produce a report on: distribution strategy and storage mechanism for mercury containing devices.

Activity A-6: Initial waste generation assessment including mercury containing devices, assessment of chemical waste generators and current practices in the pilot facilities (assessment report)

Status: Initial waste assessment was conducted during I-RAT exercise, also project team will work with the project consultant to conduct 14 days physical count of waste at each project facility. The consultant is expected to produce a report outlining total waste generated at each project site.

Activity A-7: Identify national experts to be trained in non-incineration HCW treatment systems
(Experts identified, list available)

Status: National team of expert has been identified, some of them were deployed in the exercise of reviewing HCWM training materials which took place 23- 31 January, 2017. The full list of national experts will be shared.



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Topic C) Country specific topics

Activity: Introduction of bio-digestion plants in one of the project facilities

Status: Ministry of Health have identified three contractors who can undertake this activity at Mwananyamala Hospital. The price to construct bio-digestion plant will range 10,000 USD – 12,000 USD. The architectural drawing will be shared with IRH, HCWH and WHO team for the review this March,2017.