

<p>simple tests; and (iii) emergency care and trauma care.</p> <p>2. Both Parties must agree on which medical equipment and supplies to purchase.</p> <p><b>Component 4-2:</b> Between September 2012 and June 2015, provide at least nine service capacity improvement courses for healthcare professionals at 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region, with each course taking a minimum of three days.</p> <p><b>Component 4-3:</b> Between September 2012 and June 2015, assist 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region with planning the provision of antenatal and postnatal care and health checks, once per month on average.</p>	<p>Foundation in order to guarantee quality.</p> <p>3. Both Parties must agree on which medical equipment and supplies to purchase.</p> <p><b>Component 4-2:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Between September 2012 and June 2015, assign participants for the service capacity improvement courses.</li> <li>2. Provide suitable, free accommodation for Gambian seed instructors and all course participants.</li> <li>3. Provide a suitable, free venue for holding courses in the Upper River Region in The Gambia.</li> <li>4. Pay all other expenses necessary for holding the courses, according to the amounts listed in Annex 2, from Program grants.</li> </ol> <p><b>Component 4-3:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Between September 2012 and June 2015, assist 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region with planning the provision of antenatal and postnatal care and health checks, once per month on average.</li> <li>2. Pay all expenses necessary for the provision of antenatal and postnatal care and health checks, according to the amounts specified in Annex 2, from Program grants.</li> </ol>
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## Annex 1

### Program Proposal

#### 1. Background

Improving maternal health is one of the eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Maternal health refers to the health of women during pregnancy, childbirth and the postpartum period, and, aiming to reduce maternal morbidity and mortality, encompasses healthcare services associated with family planning, and prenatal and postnatal care.

This program will help The Gambia improve the quality of its maternal health services by providing teacher training and building capacity among midwives, as well as upgrading the quality of service at second-level health facilities in the Upper River Region.

#### 2. Proposed program period

Month 2012 - December 2015.

#### 3. Program stakeholders

- (1) For the Republic of China (ROC):

A **Coordinated by:** the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

- B **Supervised by:** the Embassy of the Republic of China (ROC) in The Gambia.
- C **Implemented by:** the International Cooperation and Development Fund (TaiwanICDF).

(2) For the Republic of The Gambia:

- A **Coordinated and supervised by:** the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare.
- B **Implemented by:** Region Health Teams in the Upper River Region.
- C **Implemented by:** Midwives, nurses and traditional birth attendants (TBAs) working at basic health facilities, especially minor and major health centers, in the Upper River Region.

#### 4. Program objectives

The overall objective of the Program is to assist the government of The Gambia with improving the quality of its maternal health services. Specifically, this involves implementing the following four Program components:

- (1) Component 1: Provide a Senior Nursing and Midwifery Personnel Training Program in the ROC.
- (2) Component 2: Provide Community Nurses/Midwives Training Courses and Newly Appointed Traditional Birth Attendants Training Courses in The Gambia.
- (3) Component 3: Select Gambian nursing or midwifery students in the ROC, who are recipients of the TaiwanICDF International Higher Education Scholarship, to work as assistants on Component 2 courses during their summer vacation.
- (4) Component 4: Improve the service capacity of minor health centers in the Upper River Region.

#### 5. Activities

- (1) Component 1: Provide a Senior Nursing and Midwifery Personnel Training Program in the ROC.
  - A Between 2012 and 2014, the ROC will, in cooperation with a related ROC service provider, hold five training courses in the ROC. The Gambia will select a maximum of four senior nursing and midwifery personnel to participate on each course, at least two of whom should work in the Upper River Region.
  - B Each participant will receive two months of training.
  - C Once trained, participants will act as seed instructors in Component 2 of the Program.
- (2) Component 2: Provide Community Nurses/Midwives Training Courses and Newly Appointed Traditional Birth Attendants Training Courses in The Gambia.

- A Component 2-1: In 2012, the Parties will jointly provide two Community Nurses/Midwives Training Courses in Basse, in the Upper River Region, to improve birth attendance skills. Each course requires 180-200 learning hours over one month. Participants should then contribute a minimum of one week of their time to teach on courses specified under Component 2-2 of the Program and provide at least three days of support for a minimum of one course as specified under Component 2-3 of the Program.
  - B Component 2-2: Between 2013 and 2014, the Parties will jointly provide four Newly Appointed Traditional Birth Attendant Training Courses in Basse, in the Upper River Region, to improve birth attendance skills. Each course requires 180-200 learning hours over one month.
  - C Component 2-3: Between September 2012 and June 2015, the Parties will jointly monitor and assess the performance of participants who have completed training courses specified under Components 1 and 2-1 of the Program, and have them provide a minimum of nine On-the-Job Training Courses for Traditional Birth Attendants for TBAs who work in the Upper River Region, with each course lasting at least three days.
- (3) Component 3: Select outstanding Gambian nursing or midwifery students in the ROC, who are recipients of the TaiwanICDF International Higher Education Scholarship, to work as assistants on Component 2-1 and 2-2 courses in The Gambia during their summer vacation.  
Each year from 2012, the Parties will select two outstanding Gambian nursing or midwifery students in the ROC, who are recipients of the TaiwanICDF International Higher Education Scholarship, to work as assistants on Component 2-1 and 2-2 courses in The Gambia during their summer vacation.
- (4) Component 4: Improve the service capacity of minor health centers in the Upper River Region.
- A Component 4-1: Between January 2013 and June 2015, the Parties will assist 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region with improving their service capacity by providing medical equipment and supplies that fall under the following three categories: (i) maternal health; (ii) monitoring of physiological functions and performance of simple tests; and (iii) emergency care and trauma care.
  - B Component 4-2: Between September 2012 and June 2015, the Parties will provide at least nine service capacity improvement courses for healthcare professionals at 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region, with each course taking a minimum of three days.
  - C Component 4-3: Between September 2012 and June 2015, the Parties will assist 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region with planning the provision of antenatal and postnatal care and health checks, once per month on average.

## 6. Expected benefits

- (1) Component 1: Between 2012 and 2014, the Senior Nursing and Midwifery Personnel Training Program will provide training for 20 participants.
- (2) Component 2-1: During 2012, the Community Nurses/Midwives Training Courses will provide

training for 40 participants.

- (3) Component 2-2: Between 2013 and 2014, the Newly Appointed Traditional Birth Attendants Training Courses will provide training for 80 participants.
- (4) Component 2-3: Between September 2012 and June 2015, a minimum of nine On-the-Job Training Courses for Traditional Birth Attendants will be held.
- (5) Component 3: Between 2012 and 2014, six Gambian students studying nursing or midwifery in the ROC will be selected to work as assistants on Component 2 courses in The Gambia during their summer vacation.
- (6) Component 4-1: Between January 2013 and June 2015, 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region will be provided with medical equipment and supplies.
- (7) Component 4-2: Between September 2012 and June 2015, a minimum of nine service capacity improvement courses will be held at 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region.
- (8) Component 4-3: Between September 2012 and June 2015, second-level health centers in the Upper River Region will receive assistance with planning the provision of antenatal and postnatal health checks, once per month on an average.



(2) Component-level Schedules and Milestones

Year		2011				2012				2013				2014				2015			
Quarter		Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Component 1: Senior Nursing and Midwifery Personnel Training Program					1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th								
Component 2-1: Community Nurses/Midwives Training Courses						2 courses															
Component 2-2: Newly Appointed Traditional Birth Attendants Training Courses										2 courses				2 courses							
Component 2-3: On-the-Job Training Courses for Traditional Birth Attendants							1st	2nd	3rd		4th	5th	6th		7th	8th	9th				
Component 3: Gambian students work as assistants during Component 2 courses						2 persons				2 persons				2 persons							
Component 4-1: Provide medical equipment and supplies to minor health centers in the Upper River Region										Category (1)		Category (2)			Category (3)						
Component 4-2: Service capacity improvement courses for healthcare professionals at 11 minor health centers in the Upper River Region							1st	2nd	3rd		4th	5th	6th		7th	8th	9th				
Component 4-3: Promote antenatal and postnatal healthcare in the Upper River Region						4 occasions				12 occasions				12 occasions	6 occasions						