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.
- Network of Trucker TIs to be operationalized in NACP IV with budgetary support
- **Smart cards** proposed to provide universal access to services (since ICTC & ART access needs to improve)
- The current <u>management model at national and</u> state level works and to continue with focus on quality and information sharing

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:

 Long Distance Truckers travelling a minimum of 800Kms one way / away from home for more than 2 wks.

Secondary group:

- The allied population, defined as transport industry related workers at the intervention location.
- A study to find out the vulnerability and risk
 behaviour of the non trucking industry workers within the intervention area (mechanics, hamalis, Dhaba owners, barbers etc.) is proposed

Target Group

- A study to define special package of services for the NE states 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 <u>point of care testing for Syphilis</u>
 and HIV as a screening mechanism at the TIs
- Minimum standards need to be revisited for BCC, STI, Outreach and condom promotion, based on the site categorization
- Minimum standards for the quality services to be developed. 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

• 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

- Partnerships 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 <u>consultation with large industry bodies</u> to engage corporate sector

Capacity Building

- <u>Perspective building at management level</u> (State & National)
- Synergy and Role Clarity between the various actors in the state
- **Managerial inputs** in modules- soft skills
- Role of counselor 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.