



Zambia Red Cross Strategy in Preparedness and Response to cholera

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Background

- Zambia Red Cross Society (ZRCS) is a humanitarian organization auxiliary to public authorities created in 1966 by an act of parliament to augment government's efforts in alleviating suffering among vulnerable people in communities. **ZRCS is a member of International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)**
- ZRCS is present in 55 Districts spread across all ten provinces of Zambia, with an estimated volunteer membership of about 5000 volunteers, making it easier to reach the last mile population in its service delivery .
- ZRCS has experience in working in cholera preparedness, prevention and control, working in collaboration with Ministry of Health and other actors

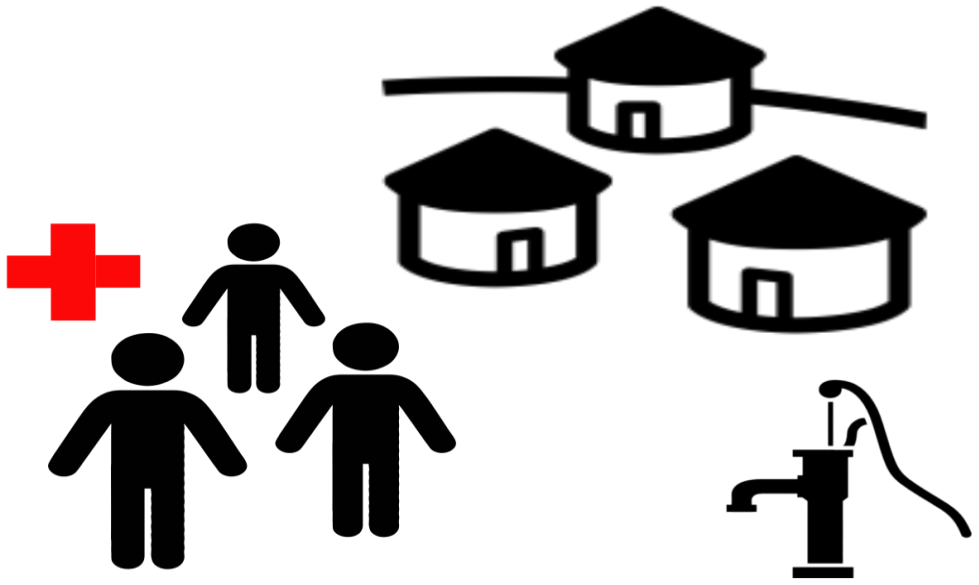
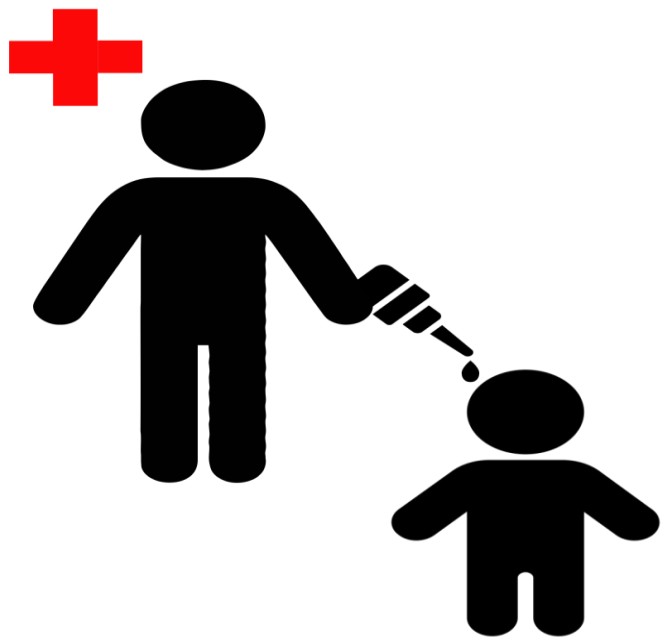


RCRC Preparedness and Response align with GTFCC



- ZRCS and its ***volunteer network*** in communities provides a unique, solid foundation for well-prepared local responses to scattered cases and major outbreaks, ensuring immediate actions in coordination with communities and government health staff.
- **RCRC** strategy in preparedness and response to cholera has three parts to it:
 - Oral Rehydration Therapy Preparedness at branch and community level*** with the aim of immediately saving lives through diagnosis, oral rehydration therapy and referral.
 - Branch Transmission Intervention Teams*** whose aim is to break disease transmission routes in health facilities, case households, communities and amongst the most vulnerable
 - Support to OCV campaigns*** through community sensitization and mobilization.

What is RCRC Preparedness and Response aligned to GTFCC



How Zambia Red Cross work with Government and Country Analysis: District and Community Health Set Up

- Trained 16 volunteers as ToTs on PHAST Approach (selected cholera hotspots)
- A network of 5000 ZRCS prepositioned volunteers for community mobilization & sensitization
- Developed and adapted ORP Level 1&2 training packages and ready to use in other countries.
- Trained 15 staff and 60 volunteers on Oral Rehydration Point
- Preposition of 28 ORP Kits, Chlorine soap, & 20 handwashing stations.



ORP Training & Prepositioning of ORP Kits in Lusaka/Nsama/Mpulungu

Other achievements WASH – Cholera project supported by CDC



- Oral Rehydration Point trainings level 1 and 2
- Piloted the WASH and Cholera hotspots assessment tools in Zambia (Mpulungu & Nsama) and the similar program in being implemented Malawi.
- The feedback of each country will help in the revision of the whole M & E toolkit.
- Pending Water Treatment training at community level
- Enhanced mobility of volunteers through provision of bicycles to increase reach.



Bicycles distributed to ZRCs Volunteers in Mpulungu and Nsama (Nsumbu)

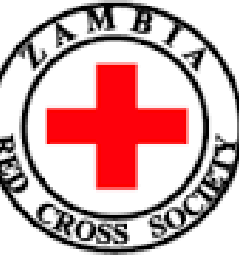
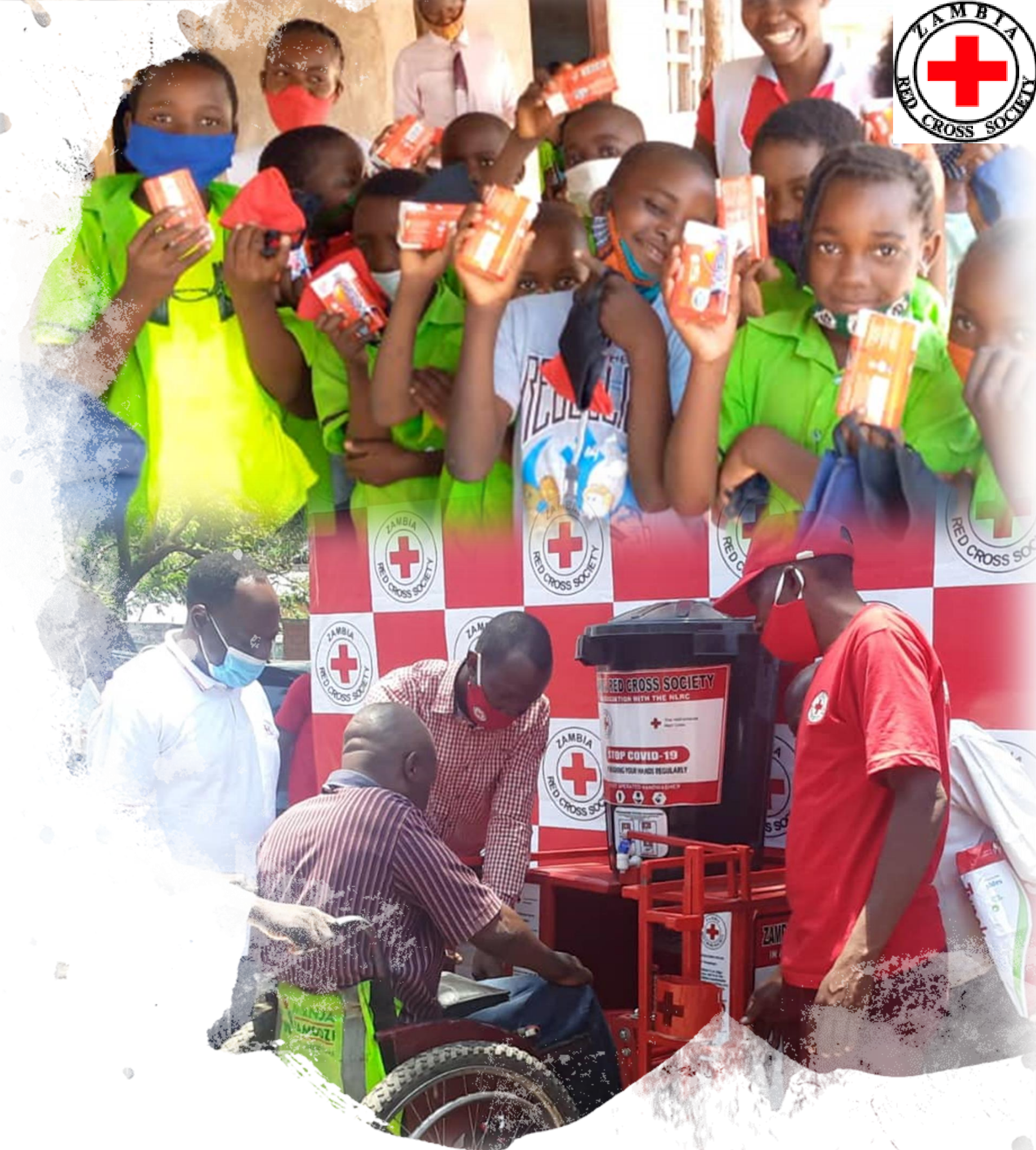
What we have achieved so far: Oral Cholera Vaccination

- Deployed 210 volunteers and staff to participate in OCV campaign through community mobilization and sensitization in Kabwe District and Nsama (Nsumbu).
(Reached out to 19,575 Household)



HYGIENE PROMOTION during Covid-19 Pandemic

- Distributed 9, 680 tablets Soap, 148 hand washing stations
- Community sensitisation on hygiene through various approaches such as PA, Door to door sensitization and hand wash campaigns in schools reaching over 6 million people
- Rehabilitated 33 boreholes Kapiri-Mposhi and Mpulungu reaching an estimated 48,633 people
- Trained 34 APMs in Kapiri-Mposhi and Mpulungu for Sustainable Operations
- Catered for the needs of the differently abled by providing 2 hand wash stations for the paraplegic in Lusaka and Ndola



HYGIENE PROMOTION DURING Covid 19 (Continued)

- Trained of 180 Champions to spearhead triggering of communities in hand washing in 12 districts.
- Hand washing campaigns through MoH structures and ZRCS volunteers in Schools and other public places
- Developed BCC package targeting youths with a focus on hand hygiene





Whom have we Partnered with during cholera response

Government

- Ministry of Health (at all levels)
- Zambia Nation Health Public Institute
- Disaster Management and Mitigation Unit (DMMU)

UN Agencies

- UNICEF

Red Cross Movement

- IFRC
- NLRC

Back donors

- CDC





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