## GLOBAL TASK FORCE ON CHOLERA CONTROL

## PRIORITY AREAS FOR MULTISECTORAL INTERVENTIONS IN KENYA

#### Dr Emmanuel Okunga

RAMBI

Ministry of Health, Kenya 22 May 2024

## CONTENT

National Cholera Situation
 Inception Meeting
 PAMI Working group
 Validation workshop & Final results

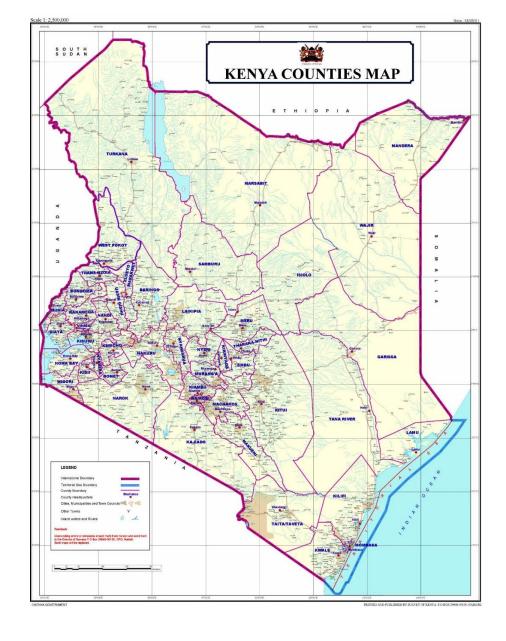


Figure 1 Map of Kenya with county boundaries and main cities, 2024. Source: Ministry of Land, Housing & Urban Development, Survey department



National Cholera Situation

## HISTORY OF CHOLERA IN KENYA

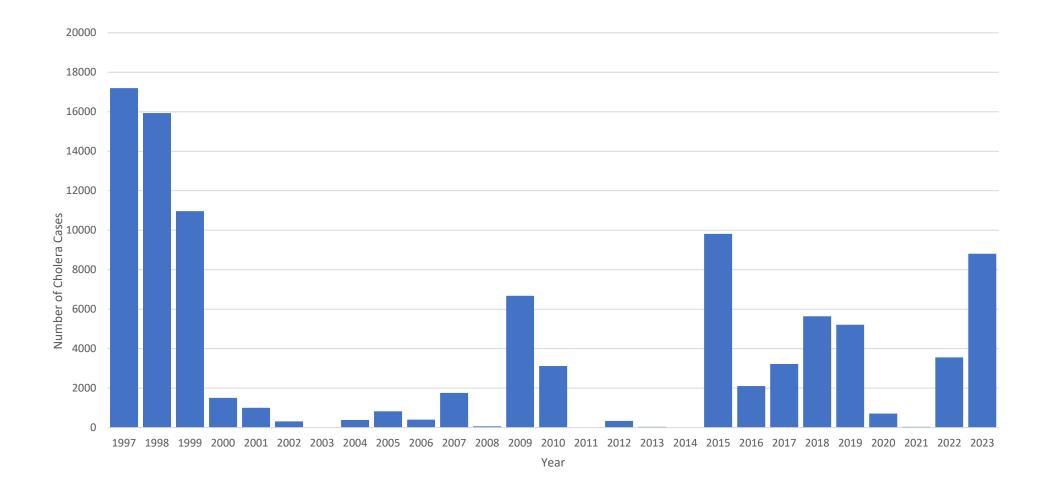


Figure 2 Distribution of cholera cases per year, 1997-2023, IDSR line list, Kenya

## **CURRENT SITUATION**

- •Two coastal counties with active outbreak: Lamu (339 cases, 4 deaths) and Tana River (57 cases, 1 death)
- •Major driver is flash flooding with massive displacement of persons & disruption of WASH infrastructure
- •Outbreak is likely to propagate due to the ongoing heavy rainfall

•Widespread outbreak in 2022-2023 with over 12,000 cases across 28 counties (CFR >1%)

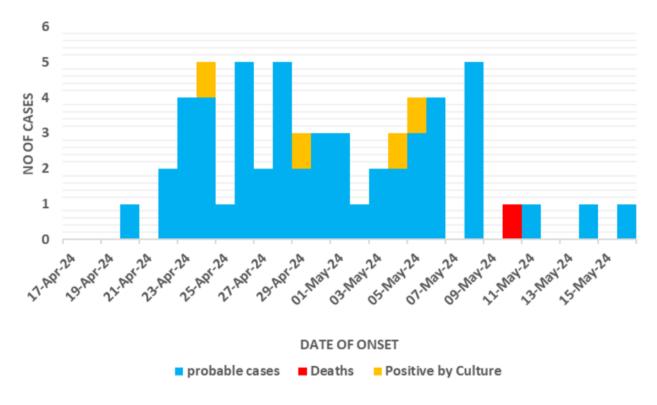
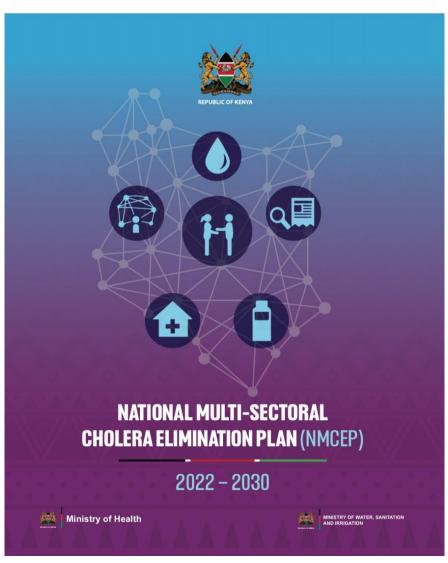


Figure 3 Epicurve showing cholera cases and deaths by date of onset of illness, April 2024 - May 2024, Tana River County, Kenya

## 2022 - 2030 NATIONAL MULTISECTORAL CHOLERA ELIMINATION PLAN



- 1<sup>st</sup> NCP in 2013
- New NMCEP in 2022
  - Multisectoral plan
  - Coordination mechanism at both national and county levels
  - Risk assessment hotspots mapped
  - Capacity assessment SWOT analysis
  - Implementation structured across 6 Pillars



WHO/Billy Miaron

Inception Meeting for PAMI identification

## **INCEPTION MEETING**

#### Organization

- •Half-Day Meeting
- •30 participants:
  - Representatives of MoH departments
  - Representatives of the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation
  - Partners: WHO, UNICEF, IOM, UNHCR, AMREF,....
- Supported by the CSP

#### Discussion

- History of the NCP and cholera hotspot identification
- New GTFCC methodology for PAMI identification

#### Results

- Constitution of PAMI working group:
- DDSR
- EPI (NVIP)
- MWSI
- FELTP
- WHO
- UNICEF
- Selection of:
  - The database,
  - The studied time,
  - The administrative levels

## Key Parameters

## Administrative Levels

Level 2 administrative units:
 Sub-counties (HIS shape file)

## **Studied Period**

2018-2023 (6 years)

## Population

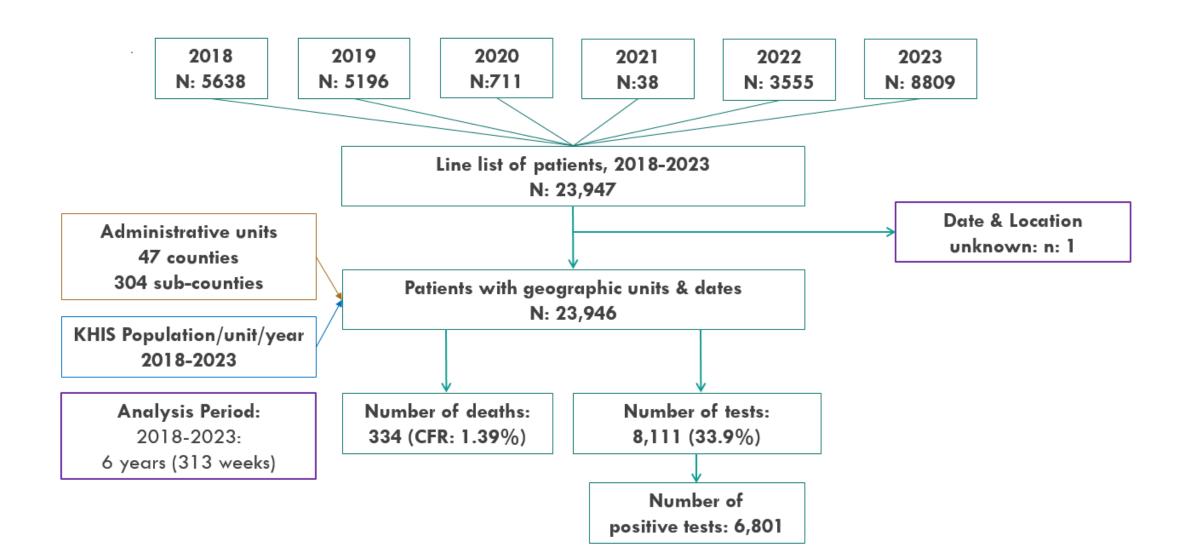
 KHIS population with specific sub-county growth rate

## Studied population

- Suspected and confirmed cholera cases
- Outbreak line list

## DATA OVERVIEW

Figure 4: Flowchart of patients registered in IDSR cholera line list, Kenya, 2018-2023





PAMI Working Group

## WORKING GROUP MEETINGS

#### Organization

- Online meetings
- Led by DDSR
- Epidemiology core team:
  - DDSR epidemiologist,
  - WHO Data Manager,
  - CSP consultants
- •Representatives of MoH departments (DDSR, EPI..)
- Partners: WHO, UNICEF

#### **Discussion**

- Review and validation of the methods and the preliminary results
- Discussion of the vulnerability factors

#### Results

- Validation of the preliminary results
- Selection of 6 vulnerability factors, considering the available data at sub-county level

## **VULNERABILITY FACTORS**

Table 1 Description of the selected vulnerability factors, Kenya, 2024

Component	Indicator name	Data provider	Data collection year
Population	High population density	KNBS	2023
Vulnerable groups	Fishermen, mining population, pastoralists- nomads, Refugees	Literature review UNHCR	2024
Cholera risk	Cross-border areas adjacent to frequently cholera- affected areas	Literature review	Different according to the country
Climate	Extreme climate and weather conditions	World Bank	2019
WASH	People using unimproved sanitation services (% of the population)	KNBS	2019 Census
WASH	People using unimproved drinking water services (% of the population)		2019 Census

Abbreviations: KNBS: Kenya National Bureau of Statistics, WASH: Water, Sanitation and Hygiene, UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees



Results and Validation workshop

## PAMI VALIDATION WORKSHOP

#### Organization

 3-day workshop, outside of Nairobi

#### •55 participants:

- County representatives
- Representatives of MoH departments, Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation
- Partners: CSP, WHO, UNICEF, IOM, UNHCR, AMREF,....
- Supported by the CSP

#### Day-1 Agenda

- History of NCP and hotspot identification in the country
- Updates (Vaccination, outbreaks, WASH)
- GTFCC Methodology
- PAMI results & vulnerability factors
- Presentation per region

#### Results

• Selection of the priority index threshold at 6, 7, or 8

## **COUNTRY ANALYSIS**

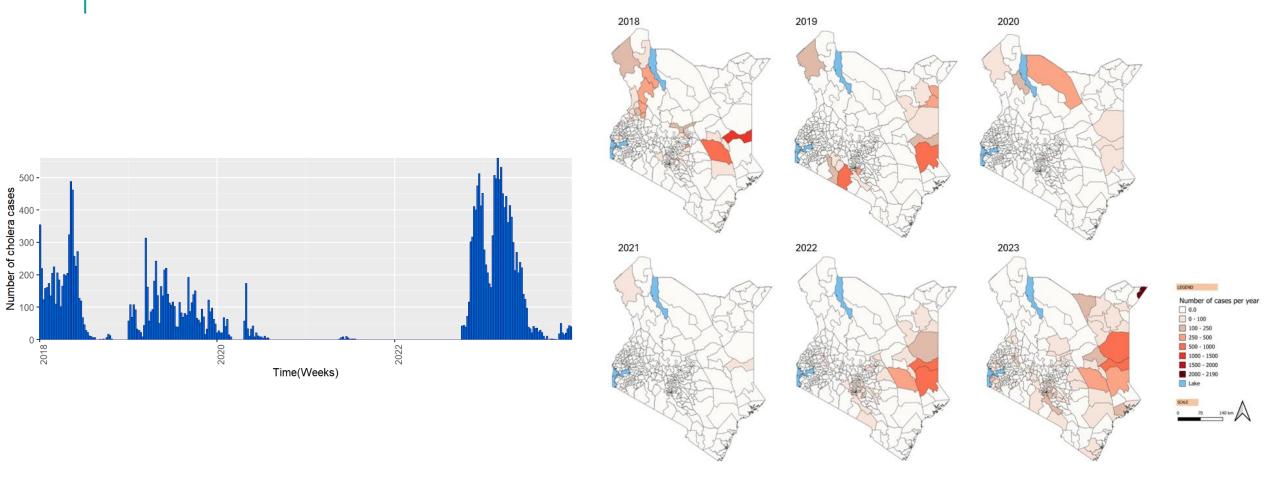


Figure 5 Weekly distribution of cholera cases, all ages, registered in the reference line list, Kenya, 2018-2023

Figure 6 Distribution of the cholera cases per sub-county and per year, 2018-2023, Kenya.

## SUB-COUNTIES ANALYSIS

Table 2: Summary of the sub-counties and the population stratified by priority index, Kenya, 2018-2023

Priority index values	Number of geographic units	Cum. number of geographic units	Rel. % of num. of geographic units	Total population	Rel. % of population	Cum. % of population
μ.						
11	7	7	2.3%	1,480,432	3.0%	3.0%
10	5	12	1.6%	1,540,503	3.1%	6.0%
9	15	27	4.9%	3,112,718	6.2%	12.2%
8	16	43	5.3%	3,278,023	6.5%	18.8%
7	17	60	5.6%	3,259,214	6.5%	25.3%
6	18	78	5.9%	3,017,289	6.0%	31.3%
5	15	93	4.9%	2,728,465	5.4%	36.7%
4	20	113	6.6%	3,602,240	7.2%	43.9%
3	40	153	13.2%	6,539,059	13.0%	56.9%
0	151	304	<b>49.7</b> %	21,600,638	43.1%	100.0%
Grand Total	304		100.0%	50,158,580	100.0%	

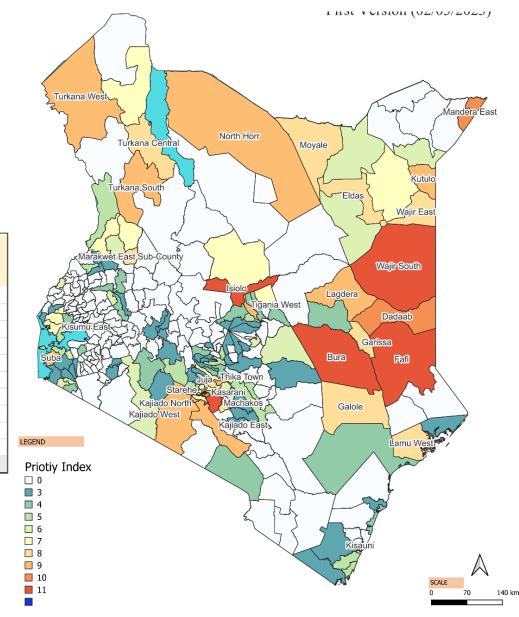


Figure 7: Map of the administrative units by priority index, Kenya, 2018-2023, Cholera line list

## **DAY-2 GROUP SESSION PER REGION**



Group work – discussion by division of the proposed PAMIs list

#### TASKS

- Nominate a rapporteur who can summarise the discussion and present to plenary
  Based on your experience, discuss the list of subcounties to be considered as
- Based on your experience, discuss the list of subcounties to be considered as PAMIs

#### Proposed questions to guide the discussion:

- 1. Do we agree on the sub-counties with a score of 8?
- 2. Do we need to assess other sub-counties?
- · Sub-counties with a score at 7
- · Under-reporting sub-counties (cholera cases, mortality...)
- · Bordering score-7 sub-counties
- · Regional approach for interventions
- Presence of vulnerability factors ("Yes"): Access to WASH, Geographic
- risk, High-risk populations......

Group work – discussion by division of the proposed PAMIs list

#### • Feedback:

© •

 The list of sub-counties which may need to be considered as PAMIs and the reason

•Excel document for the list of sub-counties to consider as PAMIs •Proposed change in the score and reason: in the last two columns

 Any points of discussion that you feel need to be shared to the plenary sessions

#### Sub-counties to consider as PAMIS

Sub- county	County	Reason to upgrade as PAMIS

## Other comments on sub-counties (if any)

County Comments and suggestion actions

Sub-

county

## **DAY-3 VALIDATION**

#### Discussion

- Discussion on all the feedback and proposed additional PAMIs
- •Discussion on the norepresented counties

•Comparison with the different priority index thresholds

#### Results

- Selection of the priority index threshold at 8
- •Identification of 29 additional PAMIs

#### •Discussion about:

- Reason for underestimation of some indicators in high-risk areas
- Additional vulnerability factors to consider (e.g. road network)

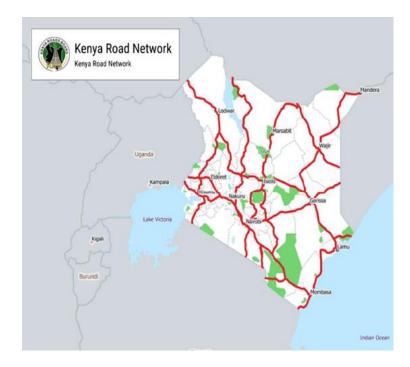


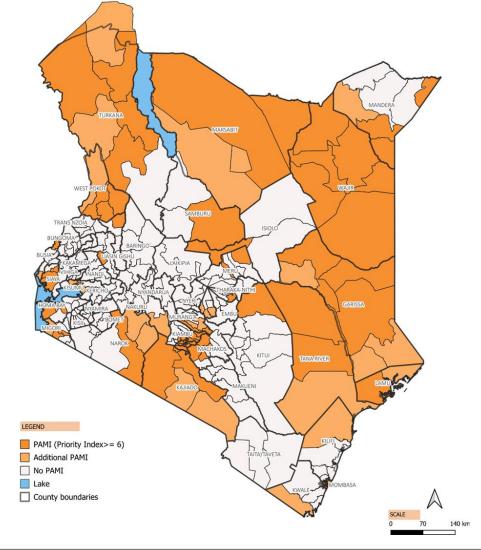
Figure 8 Road network, Kenya, 2024; Source: Kenya Road Board

## FINAL LIST OF PAMIS

#### Total PAMIs: 107 sub-counties

Figure 9:Final PAMI decision, Kenya, 2024

Table 3: Summary of the sub-counties and the population stratified by PAMI decision, Kenya, 2024



			Cumulative % of			Cumulative % of
Categories	Units*	Rel % of units	units	Est. Population 2023	<b>Rel % of population</b>	population
Index_PAMIs	78	25.66	25.66	16910854	31.32	31.32
upgraded PAMI:	29	9.54	35.20	4663209	8.64	39.96
No PAMIs	197	64.80	100	32418320	60.04	100.00
Total	304	100.00		53992383	100	

# Together we can #endcholera



Dr E. Okunga