

Vietnam National Malaria Control Project (VNMCP)

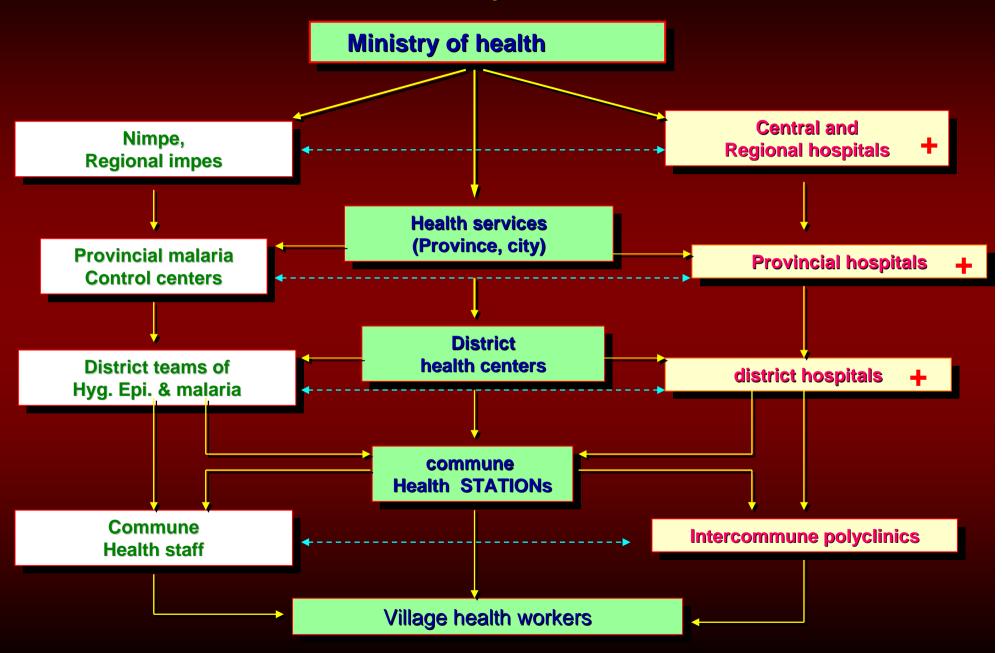
Evaluation of the malaria control in 2002 and plan of action for 2003-2004



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Malaria control system in Vietnam



Malaria situation in Vietnam from 1958 to 1991:

- 1. 1958-1975: The country was divided into 2 parts (North and South VN); therefore, the malaria eradication programmes were implemented separately:
 - ▶ In the North 1975: The parasite rate was 5 /10,000 p.
 - > In the South 1975: The malaria was increased.
- 2. 1976-1990: The malaria eradication strategy was shifted to the malaria elimination in the whole country. Since 1987, malaria has been resurgent, especially with high peak in1991.
 - > 1991: 144 outbreaks, more than 1 million cases, 4,646 deaths.

Objectives of the malaria control 1991-2000:

1. 1991-1995:

"To control the speed of malaria increase, to reduce malaria mortality, outbreaks (1991-1993) and then to stabilize the situation (no increase) and reduce it again (1994-1995) and control it by the year 2000".

2. 1996 - 2000:

- > To reduce malaria mortality by 60% as compared with that in 1995.
- > To reduce malaria morbidity by 50% as compared with that in 1995.
- No big outbreaks.
- > To develop sustainable factors for malaria control.

Results of malaria control from 1991-2000:

Rolled back malaria in the whole country, reached and exceeded the objectives:

- > 2000 compared with 1991:
 - Malaria mortality/100.000 p. was reduced by 97.3%
 - Malaria morbidity/1000 p. was reduced by 77.0%
 - Malaria parasite rate/1000 p. was reduced by 64.9%.
 - Number of malaria outbreaks was reduced by 98.6%
- > As compared with the objectives of WHO/WPRO. (2000/1992):
- Mortality was reduced by 94.4% (the target was 80%).
- Morbidity was reduced by 77.3% (the target was 50%).

Reasons of Success, Experiences and Lessons for Malaria Control 1991-2000

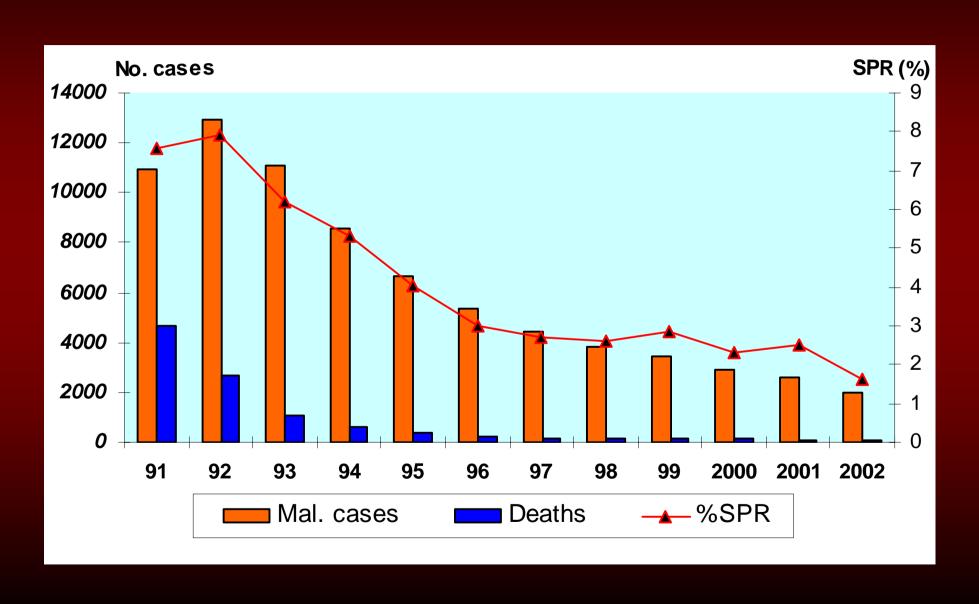
- 1. Malaria control is a priority national health program:
 - > It was under direction and investments (budget and materials) by the Government, Ministry of Health and the Provincial People's Committees.
 - >It was well managed and implemented by the system from central to local level and integrated in the general health service system.
- 2. Suitable and creative malaria control strategy.
- 3. Prevention and reduction of malaria deaths.
- 4. Prevention and control of malaria outbreaks
- 5. Prevention and reduction of malaria morbidity.
- 6. IEC and socialization of malaria control.
- 7. Training and establishment of control network.
- 8. Link of scientific researches with malaria control.
- 9. International cooperation.

malaria control in 2000-2002

Main malaria indicators

Indicators	2000	2002	%
			Reduced
No. of malaria cases	293,016	185,529	-36.7
Morbidity rate/1000	3.84	2.32	-39.6
No. of positive cases	74,329	47,807	-35.7
No. of death	148	50	-66.2
Mortality rate/100.000	0.19	0.06	-68.4
No. of outbreaks	02	0	-100

MALARIA SITUATION IN VIETNAM 1991-2002



Main solutions

- 1. Continue the investment and technical guidance for rolling back malaria in the malaria "hot spots", high endemic areas and high risk groups.
- 2. Improve the quality of malaria epidemiological surveilance.
- 3. Improve the quality of supervision and control of malaria vectors.
 - 4. Improve the quality of malaria diagnosis and treatment.
 - 5. Scientfic researches, IEC and international cooperation.
 - 6. Strengthen the socialization of malaria control.

results of malaria control In the First 6 months of 2003

Indicators	6	6	% (-) ↓
	months	months	(+) 1
No. of malaria cases	200,2 98	2003 52	-9.3
Morbidity rate/1,000	1.84	2.32	-10.6
No. of death	12	24	+100.0
Mortality rate/100,000	0.02	0.03	+50.0
No. of outbreaks	0	0	0

+The cause of mortality increase is big movement of population to highly endemic areas

Advantages

- High priority given by the Government, Ministry of Health and the various level authorities.
- Collaboration of different sectors.
- Development of suitable & creative malaria control strategy.
- Promotion of internal strength.
- Socialization of malaria control activities.
- International cooperation.

Problems

- Changes of environment and natural climate.
- Big population in the endemic areas (44 millions).
- The coverage and quality of malaria control activities in the malaria endemic areas are limited.
- Malaria indicators in some areas are still high.
- Illegal migrant people going to and staying over night in the forests.
- Unstable resources, some international supported projects have been finished.

Orientation and plan of action for malaria control 2003-2004

1. General objectives:

- Continue to roll back malaria in the hyper- endemic, forests, remote and border areas.
- Develop and strengthen the sustainable factors for malaria control.

2. Specific objectives:

- Reduce morbidity by 5% (to under 2.2/1,000 p.).
- Reduce mortality by 5% (to under 0.6/100,000 p.).
- No big malaria outbreaks.

3. Main measures:

- 1. Concentrate resources and malaria control activities in the high endemic areas and high risk groups.
- 2. Improve the quality of malaria epidemiological surveillance, control of vectors, diagnosis and treatment.
- 3. Strengthen IEC and the socialization of malaria control.
- 4. Reduce morbidity, mortality, malaria outbreaks and continue to roll back malaria.







