



6th Meeting of the CAREC Working Group on Health

Addressing Climate Change and Health to Enhance Regional Health Security

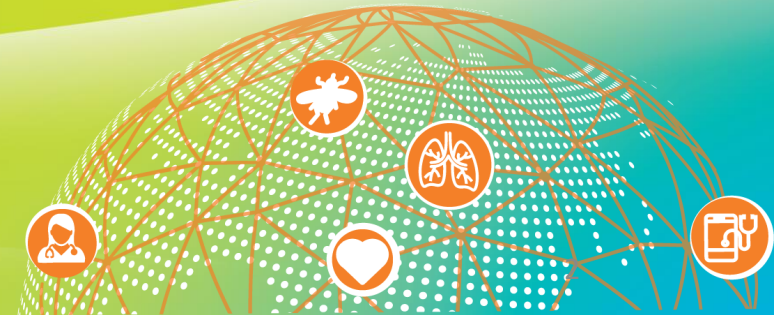
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Session 3: Review of the Implementation of CAREC Health Strategy 2030



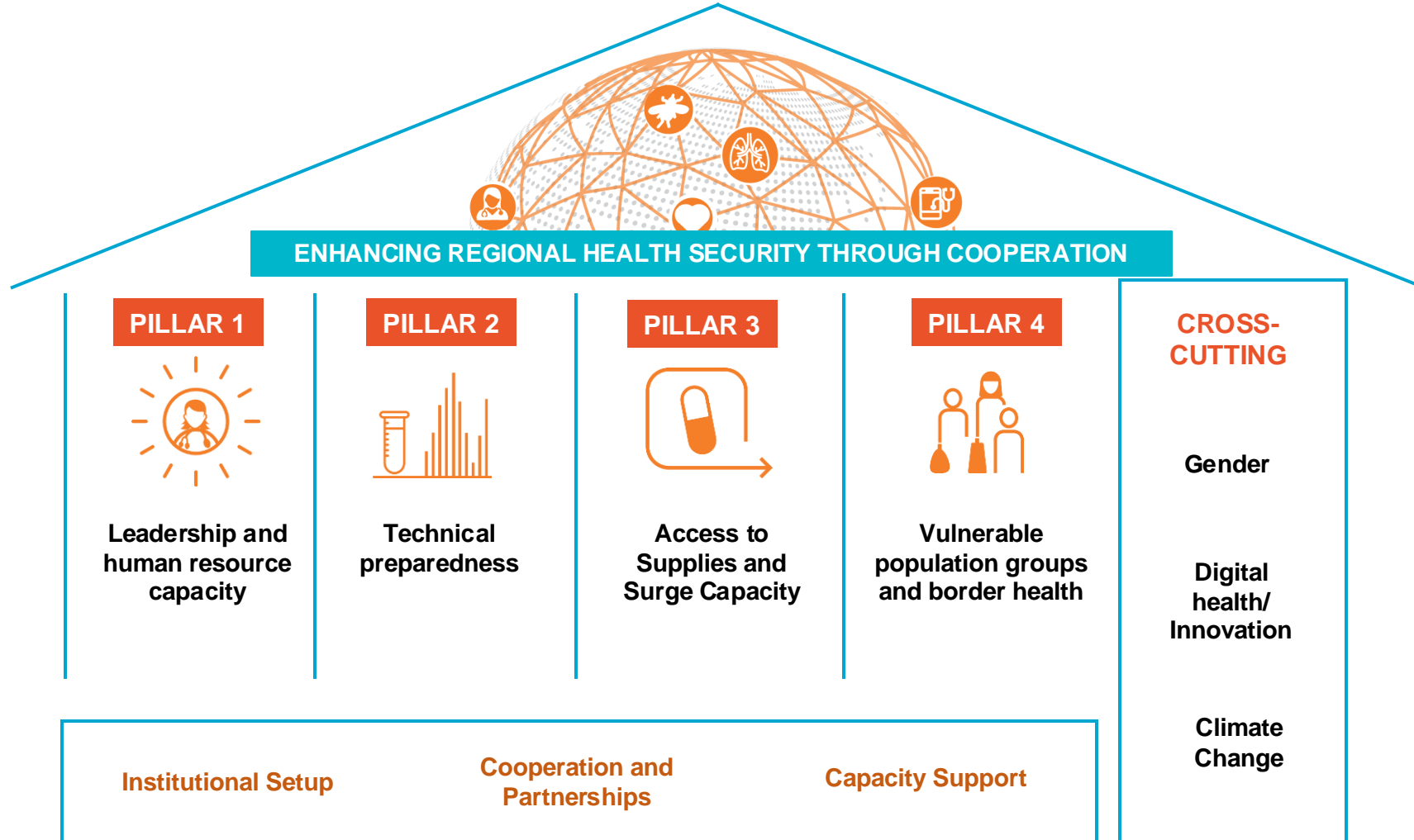
Session objectives

(1) **CAREC Health Secretariat** to

- provide updates on the progress of implementation of the CAREC Health Strategy 2030 by pillar
- present the sub-working group progress and deliverables for feedback or endorsement

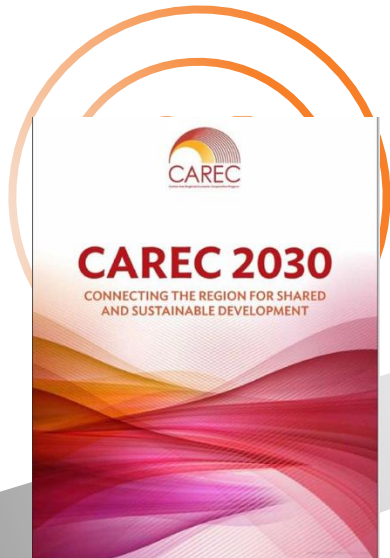
(2) **CAREC country representatives** to provide updates on key activities related to the CAREC Health Strategy and climate change and health

Implementation progress



ROADMAP - Implementing CAREC Health

CAREC 2030
prioritizes Health
Cooperation under
Human Development
Cluster
- 2017



Scoping Study on
CAREC Health
cooperation
prepared
- 2020



Establishment of
Working Group
on Health
- March 2021



Endorsement of
CAREC Health
Strategy 2030

- Nov 2021



Regional
Investment
Framework

- in 2022



Implementation
until 2030
(TA6535)



GOAL:
**ENHANCING REGIONAL HEALTH SECURITY
THROUGH COOPERATION**

Addressing Regional Health Threats

\$4.35 million

\$0.5 from Regional Cooperation and Integration Fund
\$0.4 from People's Republic of China: Regional Cooperation and Poverty Reduction Fund
\$3.425 million from TA Special Fund

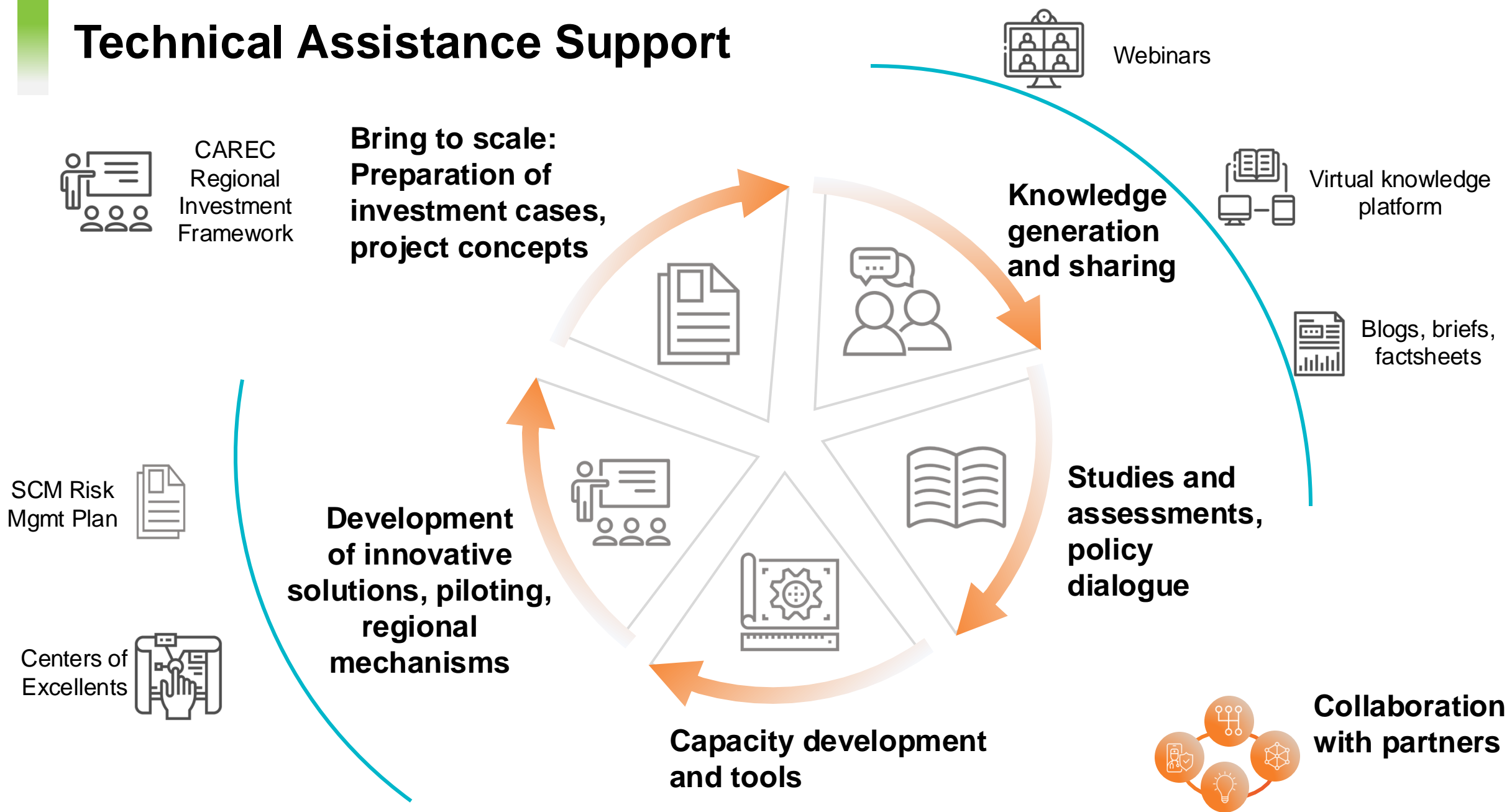
Implementation period



13 July 2020 -
31 July 2023



Technical Assistance Support



CAREC Health Strategy 2030 Implementation Progress

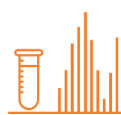


PILLAR 1

Leadership and human resource capacity

- Health security and HS strengthening assessment
- RIF 2022-2027
- Training repository on health security programs in CAREC
- Knowledge platform
- SWG established

- CAREC Centers of Excellence on Global Public Health Education
- Standard curriculum for Global Public Health degree and modules for CPD



PILLAR 2

Technical preparedness

- COVID19 epidemiology and surveillance webinars
- Repository of innovative responses to the COVID-19 pandemic

- KGZ Health security project

- TAJ Regional Health Security and PHC
- Regional health security dashboard (CARINFONET, WHO)



PILLAR 3

Surge demands and access to supplies

- Assessments on regulation and reliance
- Supply chain management, procurement and regulatory webinars

- Regional risk management plan for health supply chains
- Feasibility study on collaborative procurement
- Regional market information sharing platform (hard-to-access medical products)

- Assessment of NRA capacities
- NRA regional cooperation for strengthening import control measures for medicinal products, joint assessment of applications for marketing authorization of selected medical products



PILLAR 4

Vulnerable population groups & border health

- Concept note for conduct of survey on border community health needs and service availability and readiness, and data exchange pilot

- KGZ Health security project

- Border health needs and health facility service readiness assessment; Data exchange pilot (UZB-TAJ)
- Analysis for mutual recognition of health worker certifications

CROSS-CUTTING THEMES

Digital health and Innovation

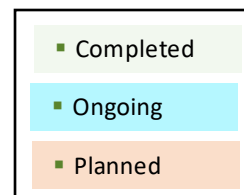
- Digital health readiness assessments
- Repository of digital health solutions for COVID-19
- Digital health webinars

- Feasibility report on assessment of digital health applications (apps)
- Workshop on EHR / EMR

Climate change and health

- Climate change and health integrated into the CAREC Regional Investment Framework for Health 2022-2027

- Regional de-carbonization strategy
- Minimum requirements for low-carbon and climate-resilient health facilities



Strengthening cooperation on leadership and human resource capacity

PILLAR 1

▪ Status:

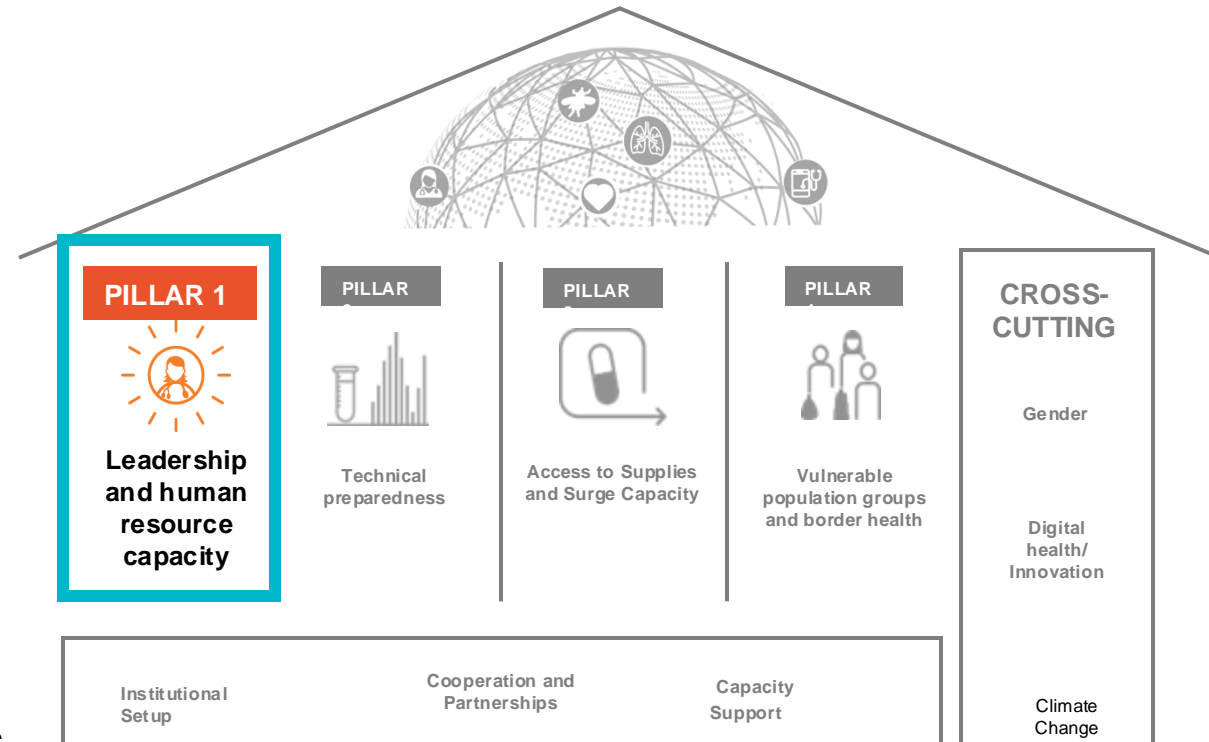
- Established the Sub-working Group (SWG) on Human Resources for Health
- Meetings (virtual) held in September and December 2024

▪ Deliverables:

- Network of Centers of Global Public Health Excellence
- Global Public Health standard curriculum
- Continuous professional development modules

▪ Upcoming activity:

- Analysis for mutual recognition of health worker certifications



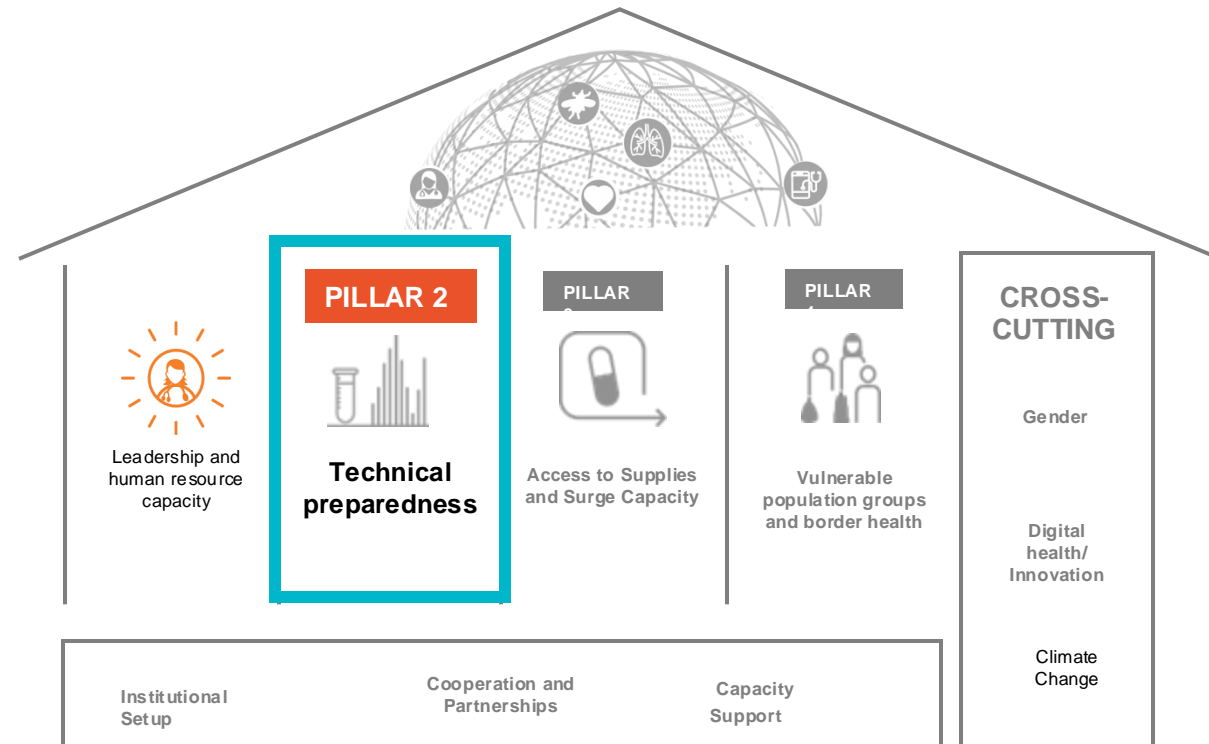
- Supported by GOPA consultants
- Mutual recognition to be supported by IOM

Strengthening cooperation on surveillance and laboratory capacity

PILLAR 2

- **Status:**
 - Conducted COVID19 epidemiology and surveillance webinars
 - Developed repository of innovative responses to the COVID-19 pandemic
 - Ongoing KGZ Health Security Project
- **Upcoming activities and projects:**
 - Proposed TAJ Regional Health Security and PHC
 - Regional health security dashboard (CARINFONET)

Dashboard development to be supported by WHO

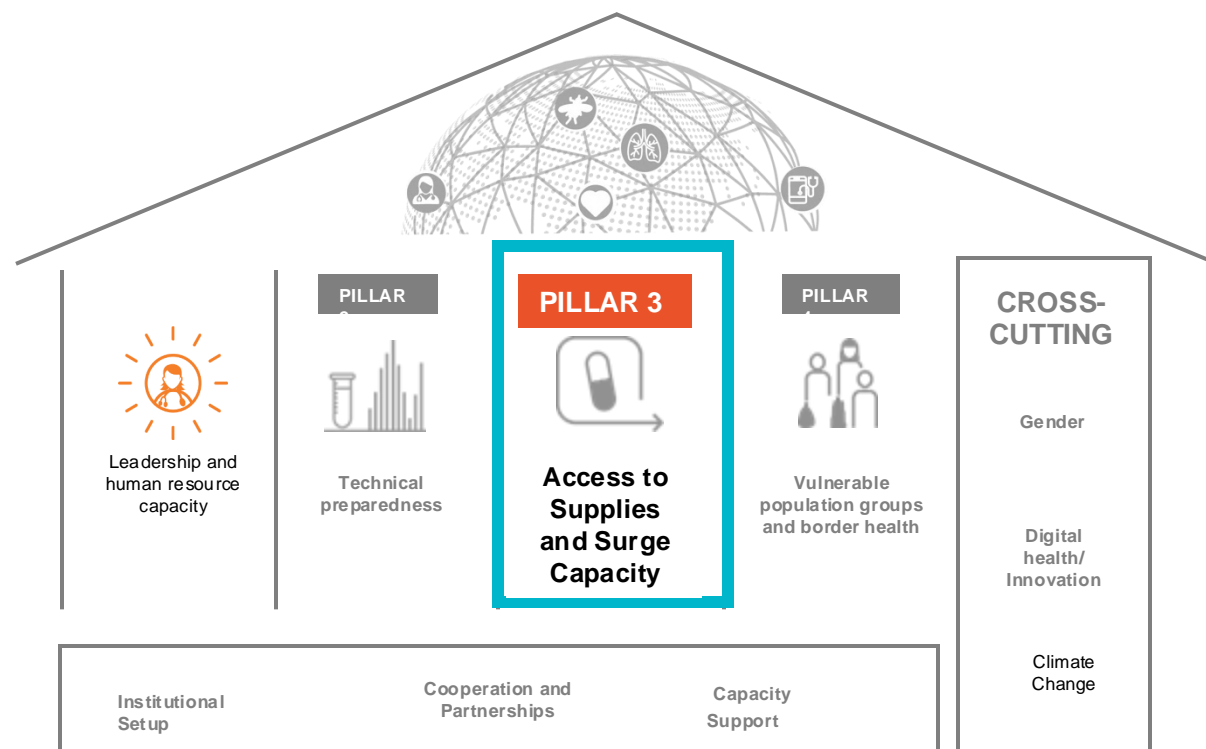


Strengthening cooperation between National Regulatory Authorities

PILLAR 3

- **Status:**
 - Assessments on regulation and reliance
 - Meetings held among interested CAREC country National Regulatory Authorities (NRA)
- **Upcoming activities:**
 - Meeting in Baku on road map for sustained regional collaboration among interested NRAs
 - Assessment of participating NRA capacities
 - Explore establishing SWG for Drug Regulation

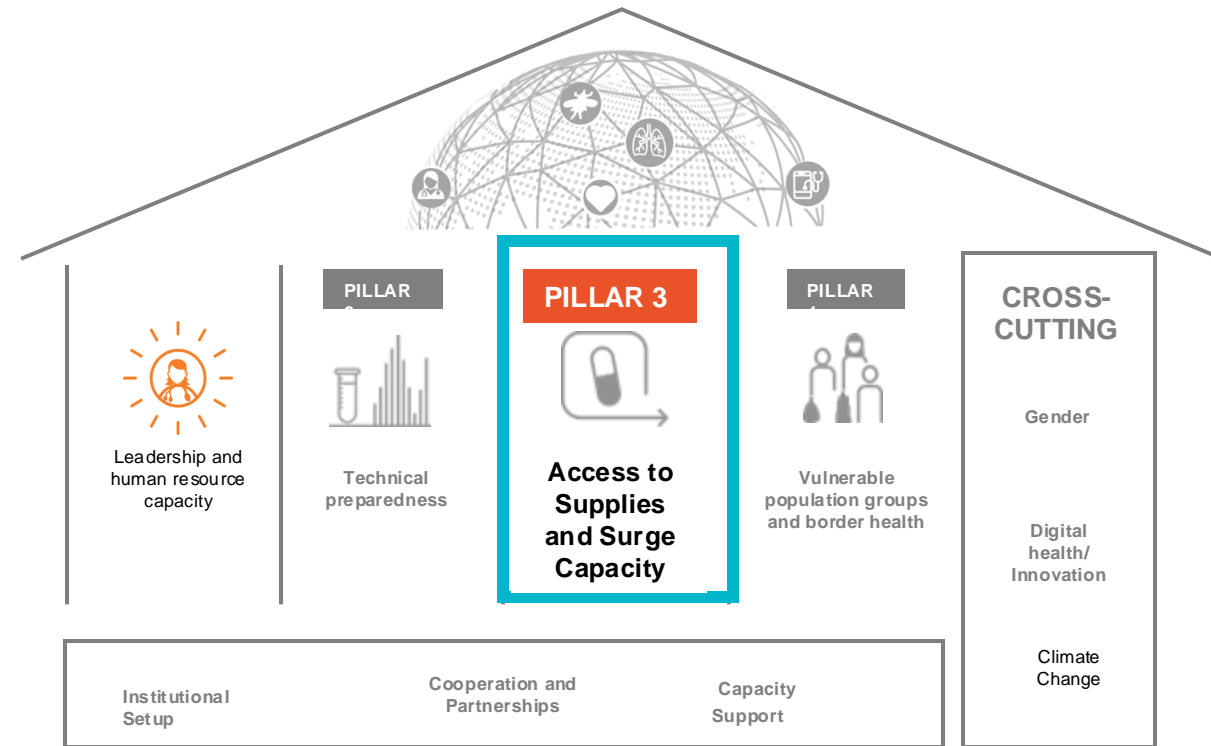
Supported by individual consultants



Strengthening cooperation on Procurement and Supply Chain Management

PILLAR 3

- **Status:**
 - Established the **SWG on Supply Chain Management and Procurement**
 - Meetings held virtually and in June 2024 in Tbilisi, Georgia (on-site)
- **Deliverables:**
 - Feasibility study on pooled procurement
 - Pilot a regional information sharing platform
 - Regional risk management plan



Supported by consulting firm / individual consultants

- Funded by PRC Poverty Reduction and Regional Cooperation Fund (PRCF)

Strengthening border health and protecting vulnerable groups

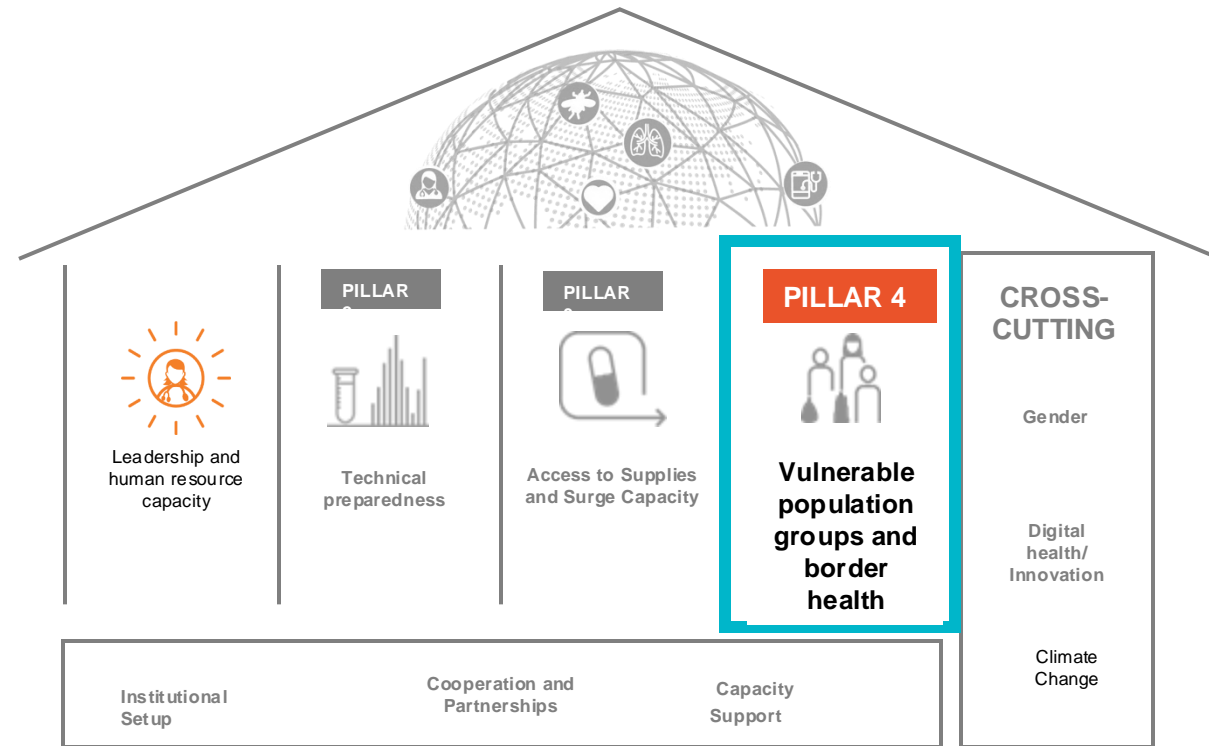
PILLAR 4

■ Status

- Concept note developed for Concept note for conduct of survey on border community health needs and service availability and readiness, and data exchange pilot
- Ongoing KGZ Health Security Project

■ Deliverables:

- Border health needs and health facility service readiness assessment;
- Pilot of data exchange (UZB-TAJ)



UZB-TAJ work to be supported by IOM (tbc)

Strengthening cooperation on Digital Health

Cross-cutting Themes Updates

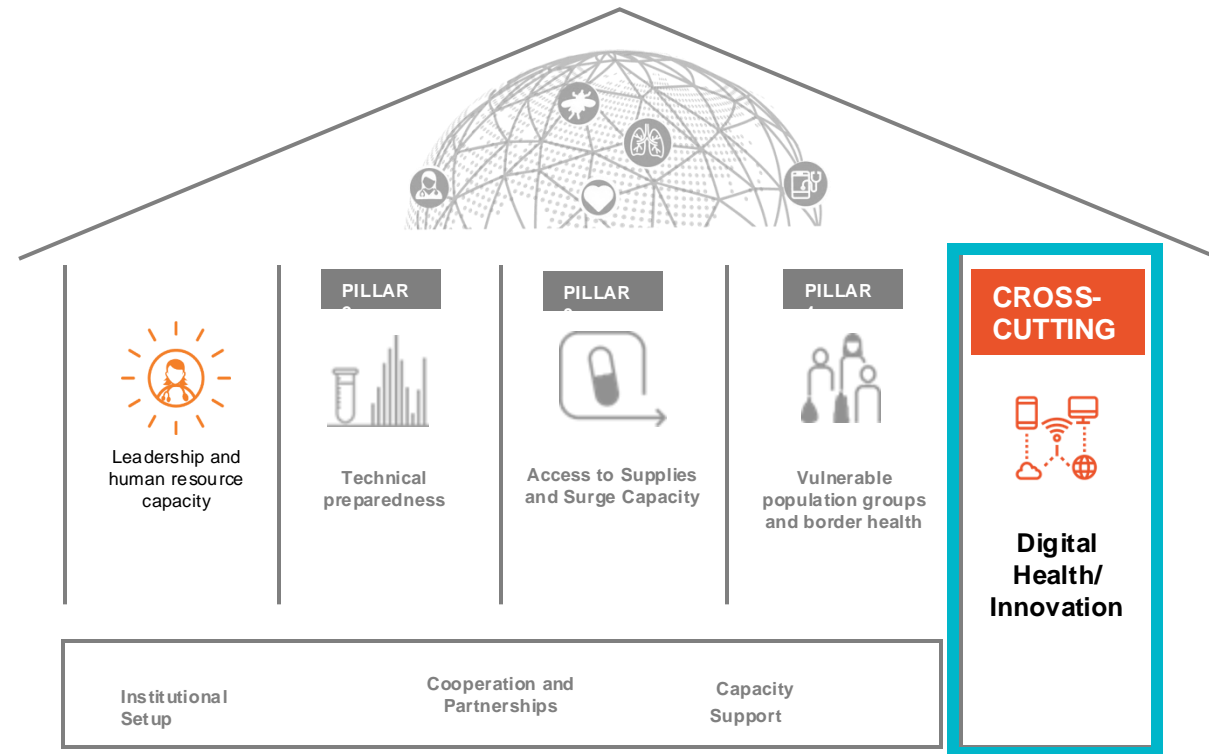
Digital Health

▪ Status

- Completed an assessment of CAREC countries' digital health readiness
- Developed a repository of digital health solutions for COVID-19

▪ Deliverables:

- Capacity development workshops on:
 - (a) electronic health/medical records
 - (b) evaluation of digital health apps
- Feasibility report on assessment of digital health applications (apps) in CAREC region



Supported by VAMED consultants

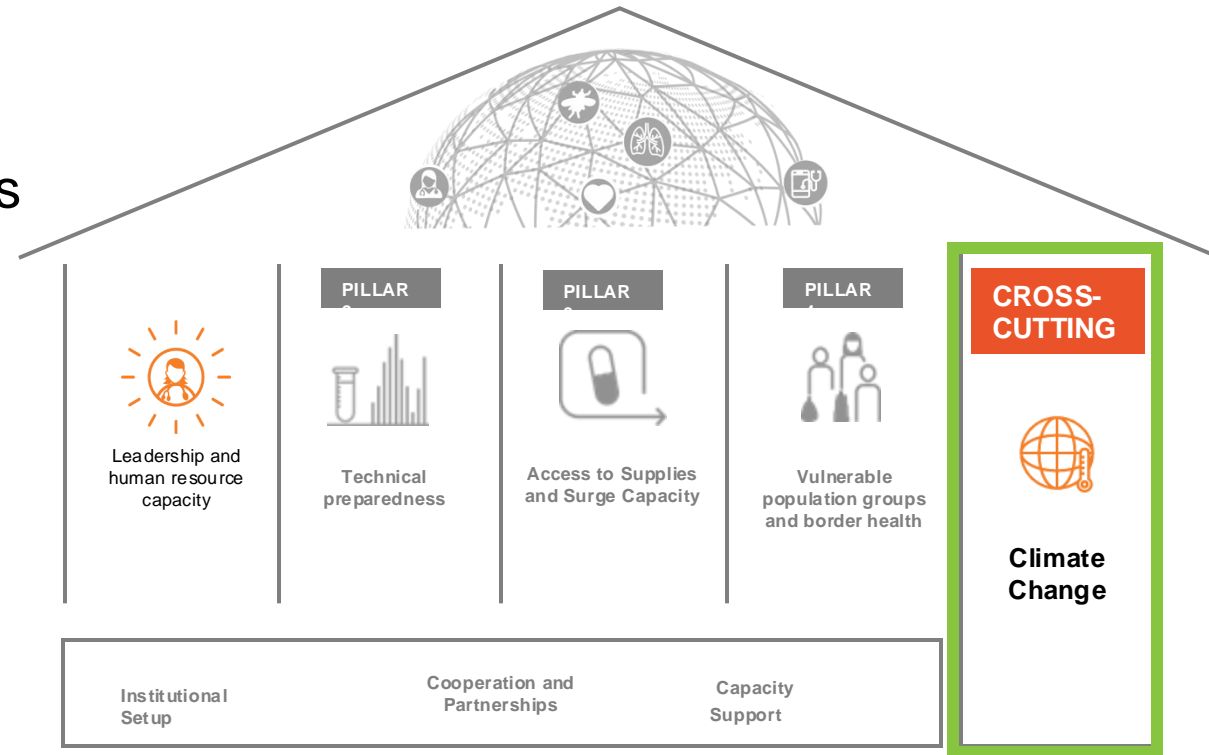
Strengthening cooperation on climate change

Cross-cutting Themes Updates

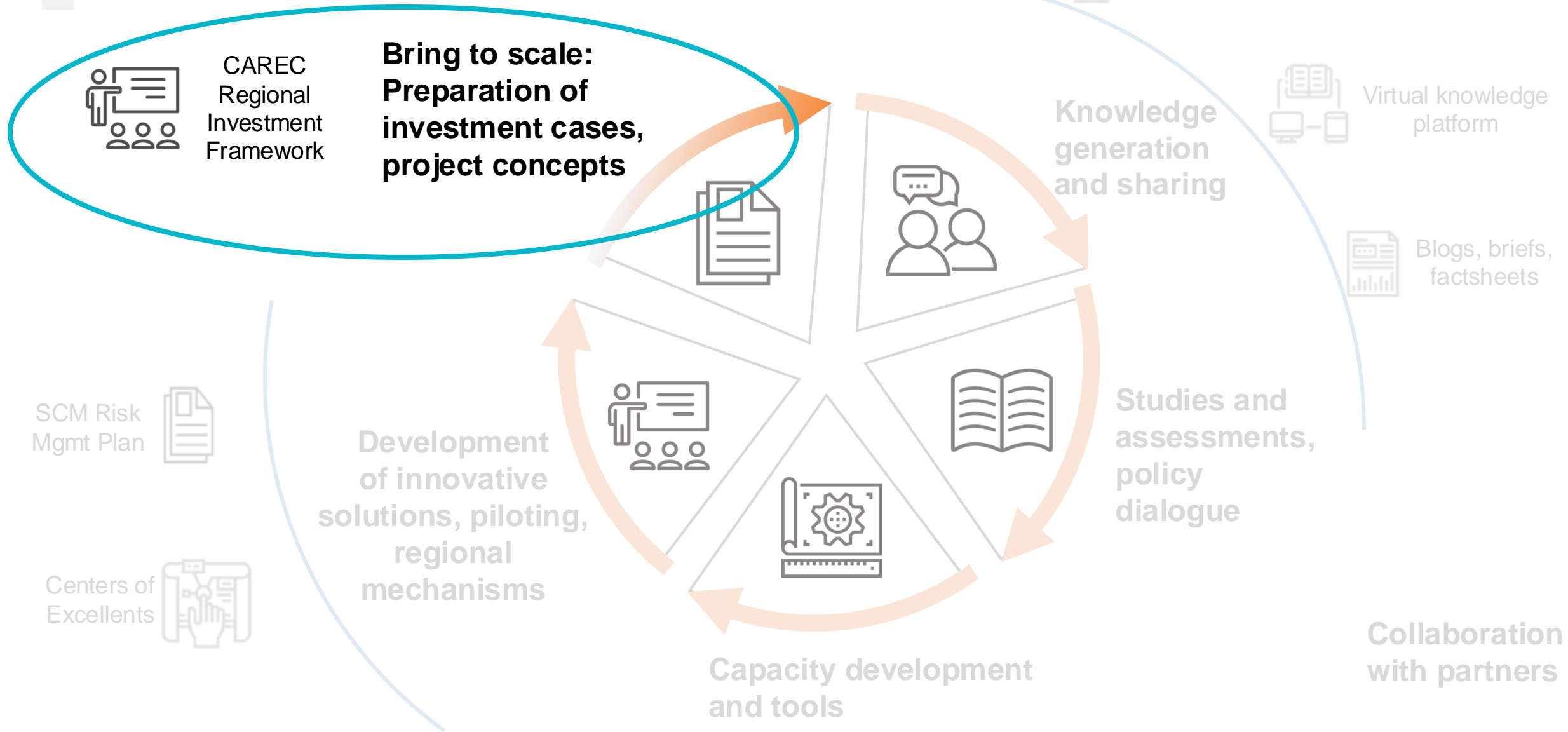
Climate Change and Health

- **Status:**
 - Ongoing survey on the status of health facilities and on capacity development and investment needs for climate-resilient healthcare infrastructure
- **Deliverables:**
 - Regional de-carbonization strategy
 - Minimum requirements for low-carbon and climate-resilient health facilities
- Supported by Climate Change and Health Working Group members and consultants

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Technical Assistance Support



Regional Investment Framework on Health 2022-2027

Pillar 1 – Leadership and Human Resources Capacity

Pillar 2 Technical Preparedness (Labs and Surveillance)

Pillar 3 – Surge Demand and Access to Supplies

Pillar 4 – Vulnerable Population Groups and Border Health

- ✓ Potential to scale solutions and mobilize financing
- ✓ Tool to prioritize investment projects and Technical Assistance with CAREC supporting as convening platform
- ✓ Further planning and costing for implementation needed
- ✓ **Additionality:** focus on cross-border aspects/border regions and communities

Regional Investment Framework on Health 2022-2027

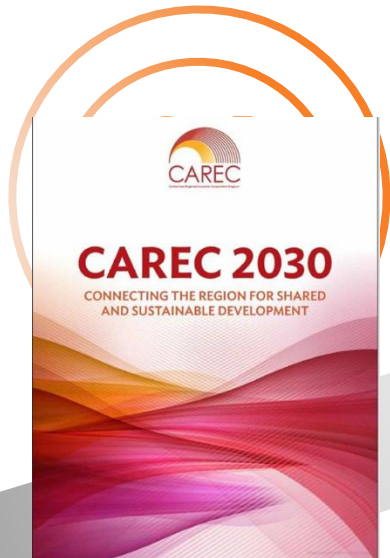
C. Strategic Pillar 3 – Surge Demand and Access to Supplies

Objective	Activities and Level of Priority	Indicative Implementation Modality ^a and Period	Possible Countries and Clusters	Link to Results Framework ^b
Regulatory mechanisms				
Enhance capacities of national regulatory authorities (NRA) and regional reliance	▪ Organize collaborative activities such as joint assessment of applications regarding medical products identified as common priority by participating NRAs.	TA activity, 2023-2026	AZE, GEO, KGZ, MON, TAJ	1.b 3.a
	▪ Develop mechanisms for regular collaboration with well-resourced regulatory authorities (e.g., European Medicines Agency, Swiss-Medic) to regularly obtain their support and sharing of information.	TA activity, 2023-2026 and/or project component, 2024-2028		
	▪ Assess NRA strengths and weaknesses with the possibility of gradually converting strong NRAs into regional centers of excellence for the benefit of all participating authorities.	TA activity, 2024-2026		
	▪ Develop and implement a dedicated IT platform to support joint assessments and facilitate information exchange and foster reliance with minimal manual intervention.	TA activity or project component 2024-2028		
	▪ Optimize country resources by streamlining desk evaluation of documentation such as Good Manufacturing Practice Certificates and Certificates of Pharmaceutical Product issued within the scope of WHO Certification Scheme and ensure using a risk-based approach when designing and implementing sampling and laboratory testing activities.	TA activity 2024-2026 or project component, 2024-2028		
Procurement and supply chain mechanisms				
Improve regional supply security by strengthening cross-country collaboration on procurement of essential public health products	▪ Facilitate information sharing through the collection, compilation, analysis, and visualization of country-provided data (including product pricing, supplier performance, market information) for selected hard-to-access essential medical products as a first step toward collaborative procurement.	TA activity, 2023-2024	Regional	1.b 3.b 6.a
	▪ Conduct feasibility assessment on establishing regional mechanism(s) for aggregating demand, group contracting and/or pooled procurement of essential public health supplies, and identify pathfinder countries to pilot initiatives for selected priority products.	TA activity, 2023-2024	Regional	3.b 6.a
	▪ Pilot collaborative procurement mechanism, potentially including a joint revolving fund element.	Project or project component, 2025-2028	Initially 2-3 countries	1.b 3.b 6.a
Increase transparency and efficiency of regional health supply chains	▪ Investment in end-to-end digitization of public health supply chains and in regional standards for data management, use and sharing to improve forecasting and demand planning, enable informed procurement decisions, prevent stock-outs and shortages, and reduce the circulation of substandard and/or falsified products.	Project or project component, 2024-2028	Initially 1-2 countries	3.c
	▪ Develop Regional Supply Chain Risk Management Plan.	TA activity, 2023-2024	Regional	3.c
Establish a regional hub for strengthening procurement and supply chain management	▪ Conduct feasibility assessment to establish a regional PSM Institute or Center for strengthening and supporting regional collaborative procurement and supply chain management.	TA activity, 2023-2024	Regional	3.b 6.a
	▪ Establish a regional PSM Institute or Center for capacity development activities and supporting regional collaborative PSM management.	Project or project component, 2026-2028	Regional	3.b 6.a

AZE = Azerbaijan, GEO = Georgia, IT = information technology, KGZ = Kyrgyz Republic, MON = Mongolia, PSM = procurement and supply chain management, TA= technical assistance, TAJ = Tajikistan, WHO =

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Implementation
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Identify
financing/investment
needs for health in
health and non-
health sectors

Implementing the Health Strategy and Regional Investment Framework at National Level (Multi-level Governance setting)

- **Alignment with common global and regional health policy frameworks** (SDGs, International Health Regulations, etc.)
- Implementing CAREC Health Strategy and Regional Invest Framework 2022-2027 at the **National level**
 - Alignment with and reflection in national health strategies and policies (e.g. health sector strategy, National Action Plans for Health Security (NAPHS))
 - Bilateral Memoranda of Understanding (MoU)
 - Institutional mechanisms at national level (intersectoral and inter-ministerial coordination, strategic alignment, policy coherence) and dedicated resources
 - Health diplomacy (health expertise in foreign service)



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Updates from Sub-Working Groups (SWGAs)

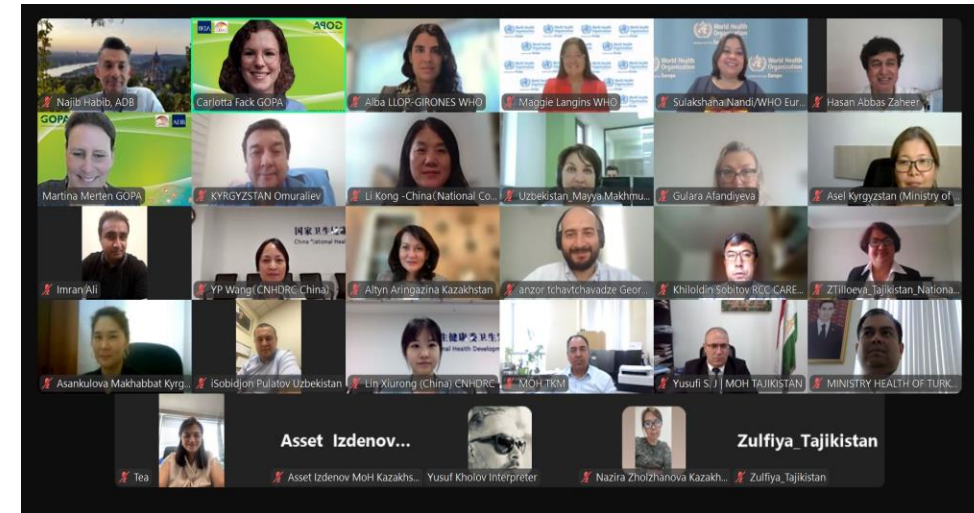


Objectives of Sub-working Groups (SWG)

- SWGs support development of concrete deliverables – supporting implementation of CAREC Health Strategy and Regional Investment Framework - to advance regional health cooperation
- SWG reports to the WGH; co-chaired by countries
- Voluntary participation: selected countries with interest in topic
- SWG members meet regularly and on needs-basis (remotely) and as agreed to discuss technical area related topics and elaborate documents/proposals for WGH's consideration



SWG on Procurement and Supply Chain Management



SWG on Human Resources for Health

Updates from the Sub-Working Group (SWG) for Human Resources for Health



PILLAR 1

- During the **first meeting** in September 2024, SWG discussed three potential focus areas:
 - Conduct **demand analysis** for selected cadres for health emergency preparedness and response
 - **Develop (sub-)regional standards for selected health professions** to support mobility for health students and professionals through mutual recognition
 - Identification and further ideation of a **regional training center** and/or Centers of Excellence for **Global Public Health (CoGPHE)** to increase health security capacity
- During the **second SWG meeting** in December 2024, members decided to focus on option 3:
 - Identifying **five** potential regional **CoGPHE**, each located in one of the ten CAREC countries;
 - Outlining a **standard curriculum** for Global Public Health.
- Consecutively, SWG HRH started to **nominate potential candidates** from each country, based on two pre-selection criteria:
 - Institution/University offers a postgraduate(PG) degree in Public/Global Health
 - Institution is open to regional collaboration and knowledge exchange

Criteria for selecting Centers of Excellence for Global Public Health (CoGPHE)



Early 2025, **seven final criteria** for selecting CoGPHE were identified, out of which **four** must be met to be considered:

- A competence-based education approach is already being applied OR university is open to such an approach
- Modules of PG degree mostly (80%) in line with Essential Public Health Functions (EPHFs)
- Modules of the PG degree mostly (80%) in line with the core subject domains to be included in MPH curricula as required by Agency for Public Health Education Accreditation (APHEA)
- Institution offers or willing to offer Continuing Professional Development (CPD) or Continuing Medical Education (CME) in the field of public/global health
- Instruction is also offered in English and/or Russian
- Institution is nationally and regionally accredited, for example by APHEA <https://www.aphea.be/>
- Institution is willing to contribute staff time, effort and potentially other resources to the establishment of a regional network

The final selection of the 5 Centers for Excellence should consider the geographical distribution of CAREC member states

The Long-Term Vision of the CAREC CoGPHE Network is to:



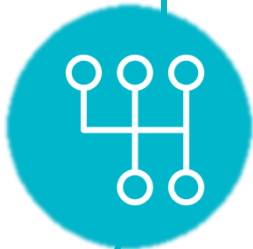
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- **Promote and facilitate knowledge exchange** between
 - Students - through student exchange programs
 - Staff members and health experts - through regular field trips, virtual conferences and CPD



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- **Support potential CoGPHE to build further capacity** to offer mutually recognized degrees and further education in the subject area



3

- **Identify topics** within the global public health degrees most relevant for improving health security preparedness



4

- **Review curricula** and organization of (global) public health degrees in the region and selected universities abroad for potential adoption in CAREC countries

Immediate **Next Steps** for the SWG Human Resources for Health



- Until **early May 2025**, selection of five CoGPHE in CAREC will be finalized
- In **May 2025**, the SWG HRH will meet for the third time to meet the finalists
- In parallel, representatives from five selected CoGPHE and staff from the School of Public Health at Hong Kong University (HKU) will meet to plan a five-day Train the Trainer (ToT) workshop to be held in 2025 on strengthening public health competencies building on the EPHFs

The CAREC/HKU ToT will pair academia (CoGPHE Members) with government officials from CAREC countries to lay the foundation for excellence and exchange in global public health education



Problem Statement

Most CAREC countries face a lack of timely and sustained access to affordable quality medicines and medical supplies that are crucial to meet Universal Health Coverage and health security needs.

AFFORDABILITY

Prices for specific medicines and medical supplies in CAREC countries are substantially higher compared to other countries, with significant price variance between them.

AVAILABILITY

Several CAREC countries experience repeated and prolonged shortages or stock outs of essential medicines and challenges in meeting demand surges.

QUALITY


When there are problems of affordability and/or availability, this opens the door to substandard and falsified medicines entering the supply chain, compromising quality.

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- Established in March 2024

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Procurement & Supply Chain Management Priorities in the Regional Investment Framework (RIF)

Procurement and supply chain mechanisms	
Improve regional supply security by strengthening cross-country collaboration on procurement of essential public health products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate information sharing through the collection, compilation, analysis, and visualization of country-provided data (including product pricing, supplier performance, market information) for selected hard-to-access essential medical products as a first step toward collaborative procurement.
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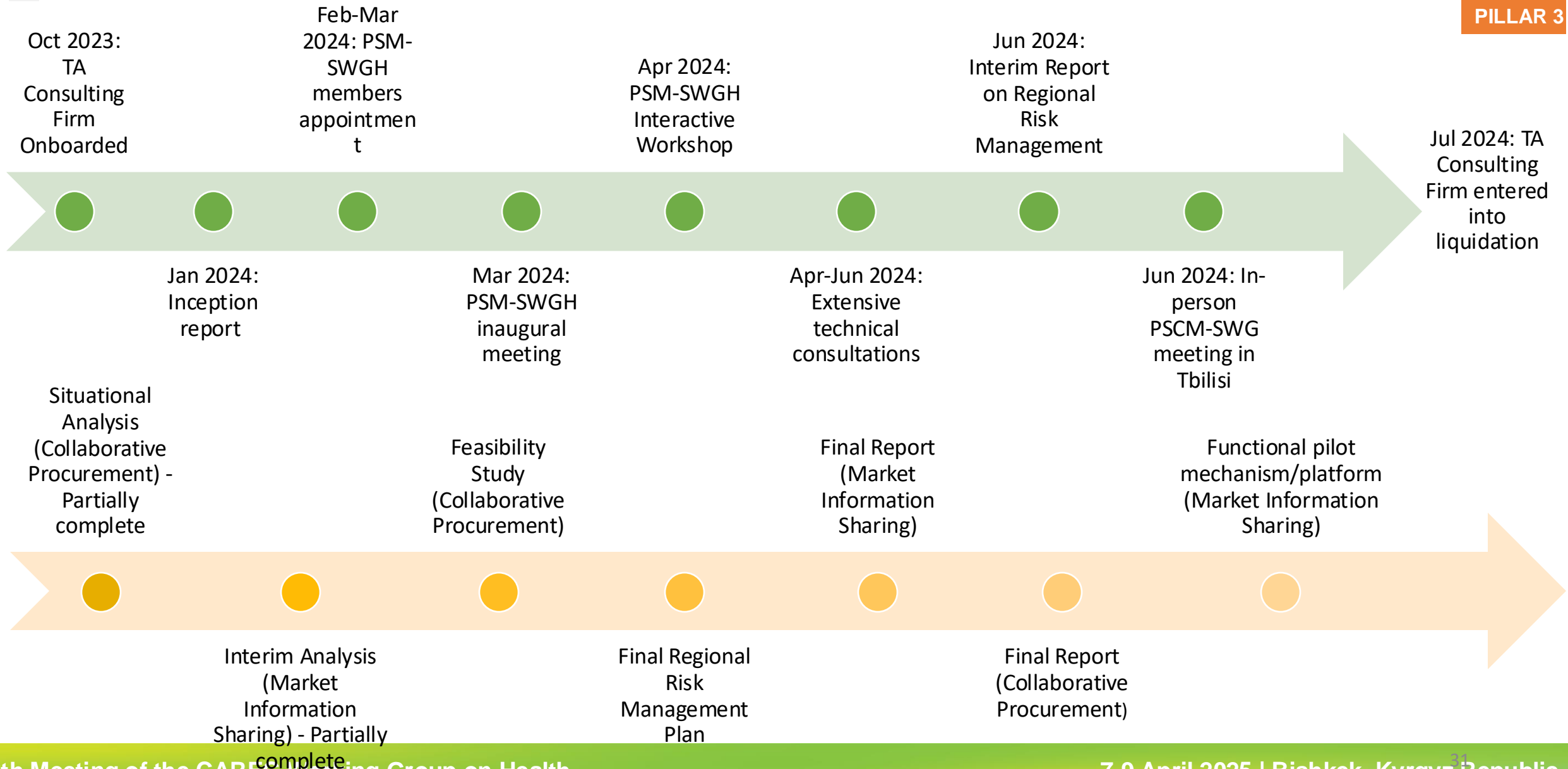
Updates from the Sub-working Group on Health for Procurement and Supply Chain Management



Progress

- Held a series of individual meetings with country representatives
- Conducted a situational analysis of the health system and pharmaceutical procurement practices across the CAREC member states
- Developed an outline for the development of a regional risk management plan for health supply chains during public health emergencies
- Completed research and CAREC country consultations to identify a suitable market information mechanism for selected, hard-to-access medical products

Completed and outstanding activities



Next steps for the SWG on Procurement and Supply Chain Management



PILLAR 3

- Action plan for regional cooperation and integration of health supply chains to improve access to essential medicines and medical supplies, especially during public health emergencies, developed and approved by the CAREC WGH (Q3-Q4)
- Regional market information sharing platform on selected hard-to-access medical products pilot started (Q3-Q4)
- Viable options for cross-border collaborative procurement arrangements (including financing mechanisms) assessed (Q3-Q4)
- A specific cross-border collaborative procurement mechanism recommended and elaborated to be piloted by at least two countries in 2026 (Q4)



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Country Updates



Country Updates

- Updates on
 - key programs and activities supporting implementation of CAREC Health Strategy and Regional Investment Framework 2022-2027 (*Enhancing Health Security through Cooperation*), and
 - key milestones achieved in Climate Change and Health.

Country Updates

- Azerbaijan
- People's Republic of China
- Georgia
- Kazakhstan
- Kyrgyz Republic
- Mongolia
- Pakistan
- Tajikistan
- Turkmenistan
- Uzbekistan



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Plenary Discussion



Thank you



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ANNEX



Selected ADB Financing Modalities



Project Investment

- Finances a standalone investment with a defined scope and tangible outputs
- Loan amount determined by project costs



Results-based Lending (RBL)

- Supports a specific government-owned program
- Creates incentives: Disbursement based on achievement of defined results
- Use of Government systems



Policy-based Lending

- PBL transfers loan amounts to the government's general budget
- Supports sectoral and intersectoral reform programs that the government is committed to
- Loan amount determined by development financing needs



Sector Development Program

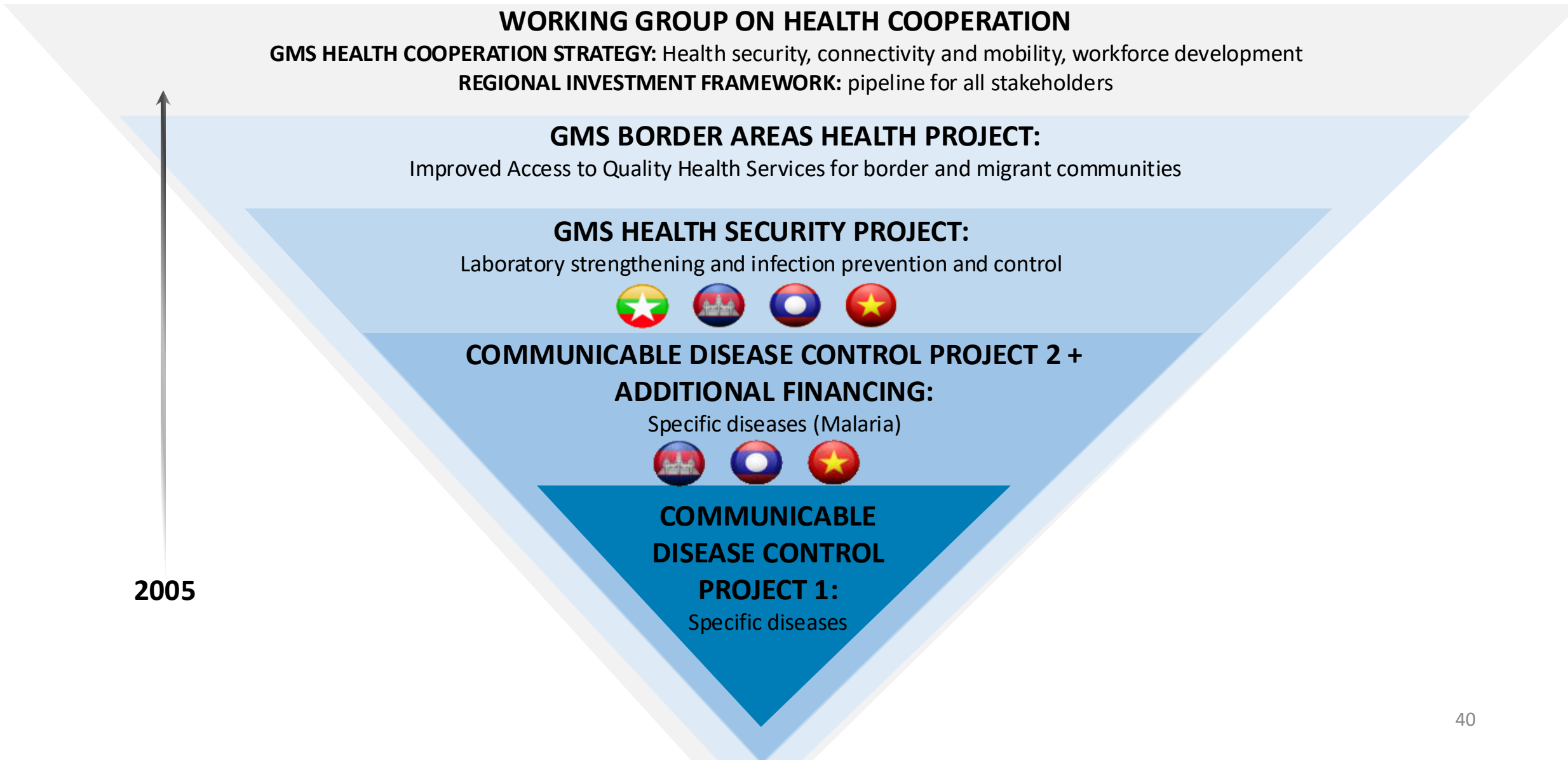
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Project Readiness Facility

- Supports activities to prepare one or more ensuing project(s)
- Ensures high project readiness and minimizes startup delays

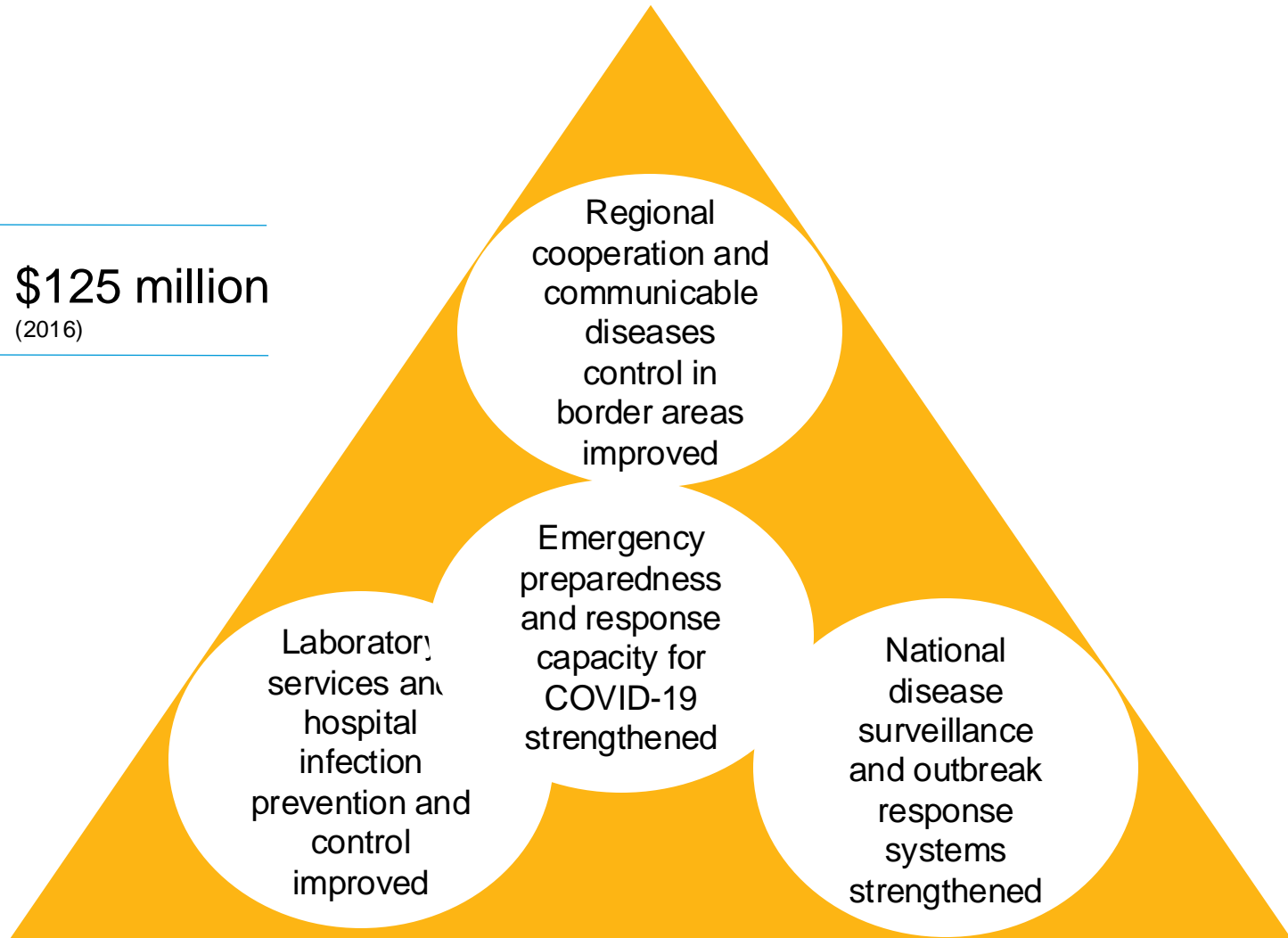
ADB's Health Sector Work in the Greater Mekong Subregion since 2005



GMS Health Security Project

(multi-country: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam)

\$125 million
(2016)



Initial results

- Country progress towards achieving core capacity requirements of IHR, tracked through each country's annual IHR and APSED self-assessment reports
- Strengthened sub-national level hospitals' compliance with national infection prevention and control standards
- Strengthened sub-national level laboratories' compliance with national laboratory quality and biosafety standards
- Enhanced regional and cross-border collaboration, including on sharing of surveillance data, training and capacity building activities, and protocols for joint outbreak investigation.
- In Lao PDR and Myanmar, improved readiness of the health system for emergency response to COVID-19

Border Areas Health Project (CAM and LAO PDR)

OUTCOME: Access to quality health services for populations residing in and migrating through selected border areas improved

Lao PDR (proposed):
\$20 million loan
\$4.9 million from ADF
\$2 million regional technical assistance

CAM (approved):
\$27 million loan
\$5.5 from ADF

OUTPUT 1: HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY IN SELECTED BORDER AREAS STRENGTHENED

- Upgrading infrastructure and equipment
- Service delivery packages - border health and migrant specific services
- Health workforce development

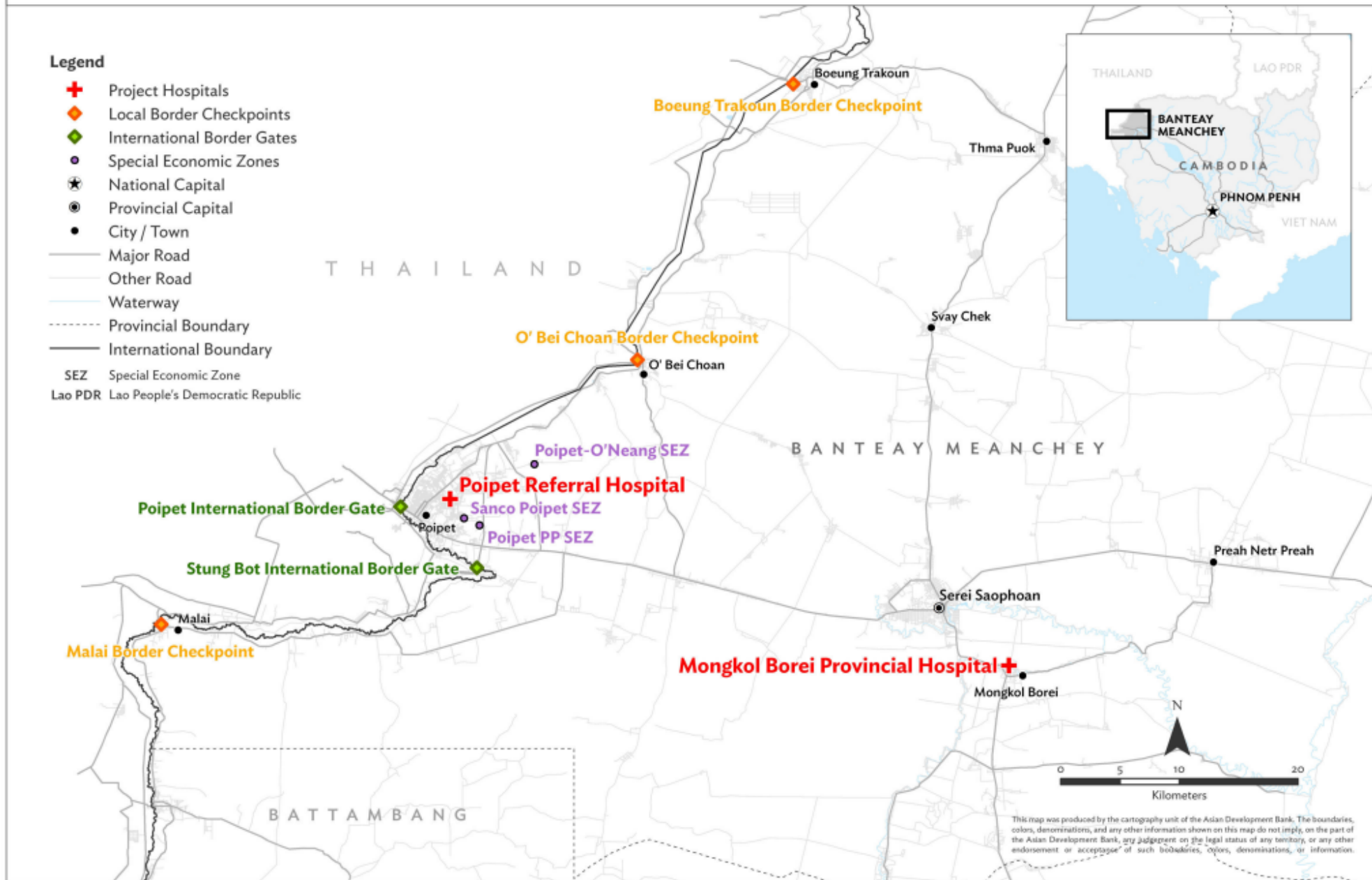
OUTPUT 2: HEALTH FINANCIAL PROTECTION FOR MIGRANT POPULATIONS IMPROVED

- Support to National Health Insurance program
- Expanded coverage of existing GMS migrant health insurance schemes

OUTPUT 3: SYSTEMS FOR INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY ACROSS BORDERS IMPROVED

- Cross-border activities between provinces
- Digital technologies, including to improve cross-border data collection and continuity of patient care

GREATER MEKONG SUBREGION BORDER AREAS HEALTH PROJECT



Systems Strengthening for **Effective Coverage of New Vaccines** in the Pacific Project (multi-country)

- ✓ Approved on 8 November 2018
- ✓ Financed by Regional Health Security and ADF grants and loans from ADB, and government contributions
- ✓ ADB financing: **total \$25.1 million**
 - ✓ Samoa (\$7.5m grant)
 - ✓ Tonga (\$3.85m grant)
 - ✓ Tuvalu (\$2.5m grant)
 - ✓ Vanuatu (\$9.0m grant + \$2.25m loan)
- ✓ Additional financing to support COVID-19 vaccines roll-out amounting to **\$18.9 million**
- ✓ Implementation supported by UNICEF, WHO, and IPM



- **Impact:**
 - ✓ Incidence and prevalence of cervical cancer in the Pacific region reduced; and
 - ✓ Healthy lives ensured and well-being for all at all ages promoted
- **Outcome:**
 - ✓ Increased immunization coverage of vaccines
- **Outputs:**
 1. Regional vaccine procurement strengthened
 2. Health systems strengthened
 3. Community awareness improved

ADB-financed **Kyrgyz** Strengthening Regional Health Security Project

