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CURRENT STATE OF TB IN SOUTH AFRICA: STOP TB PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING 11 October 2010

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BURDEN: TB

- WHO estimated 1% TB incidence (490,000)
 - 410,000 notified in 2009
- RSA 3rd high burden country with 49 million population (948/100k) :
 - India – 1,962 million cases from population of 1,69 billion (168/100k)
 - China – 1,306 million from population of 1,328 billion (98/100k)



BURDEN: DR-TB

- Incidence in population??
 - Could be between 10,000 & 50,000
- But we know:
 - 1.6% new TB cases are MDR-TB
 - 6.7% re-treatment TB cases are MDR-TB
 - 9% MDR-TB cases are XDR-TB



PERFORMANCE: CURRENT

- We are detecting 80,000 less cases than we should
- Cure rate = 68% (Target = 85%)
- Defaulter rate = 8% (Target of less than 5%)
- 7.5% of notified cases die
- MDR-TB cure rate less than 50%
- At least 40% of DR-TB patients die



REQUIRED RESPONSE: SCALE UP ACCESS

- Strengthen infection control
 - Including health facilities & homes
- Undertake active case finding
 - Trace contacts
 - Target high risk areas eg mines
- Close the Tap for DR-TB by strengthening TB programme but
 - Integrate with HIV programme within PHC services



REQUIRED RESPONSE: SCALE UP ACCESS...

- SADC

- Harmonise policies across member states
- Strengthen referral mechanisms
 - Not to lose patients when they move between countries



THANK YOU!

WE ARE ON THE MOVE TO KICK TB OUT!!!

