Design Sprint Documentation

Co-creation Team 3: Re-imagining incentives to build greater workforce capacity & maximize impact
Re-Imagining Process
**Agenda**

**Day 1:** Unpacking the Current State

9:00
- Introductions
- Project & design sprint overview
- Defining the opportunity area
- System actors & roles

13:00 - Lunch

- Unpacking current state
- Exploring ownership & accountability

16:30

**Day 2:** Designing the Future State

9:00
- Future state: What are the desired shifts?
- Brainstorming activity

13:00 - Lunch

- Concept development & refinement
- Developing concept pitches

16:30

**Day 3:** Validating Our Ideas

9:00 (Additional visitors join 9:00-14:00)
- Visitor introductions & orientation
- Concept pitches & feedback
- Discussion: Additional opportunities & the future of TA in Nigeria

13:00 - Lunch

- Concept refinement & planning
- Considering a systems change
- Next Steps

16:30
Designer Mindset

Dreamer

What if you could do this...
But is it practical?

Realist

Been there, done that!
... and you failed!

Spoiler

Nope, it won’t work!

What if...
Tips for our time together

- Be present
- Defer judgement
- Embrace the pace
- Trust the process
- Use the tools
- Be optimistic
Emerging Principles: Good TA should...

Create conditions for collaboration

- **Align on common purpose and success**
  How might we better understand the drivers and outcomes for all parties to align criteria for purpose and success?

- **Leverage local wisdom**
  How might we amplify the voice of local wisdom to ensure better understanding of local context and needs?

- **Build mechanisms of accountability**
  How might better accountability build trust and create strong feedback loops across the system?

Shift from buying solutions to owning problems

- **Shift from buying solutions to owning problems**
  What does it mean to shift from a fragmented solution focus, to an aligned problem focus?

Strengthen feedback loops

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  How might we ensure knowledge and data is distributed in a way that is more accessible to empower individuals to make requests and decisions?

Resist the quick fix

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  TA is a constellation of interconnected systems, each with its own set of unique properties. How do consider the whole system and its interdependencies?

Balance individual gain with collective good for mutual benefit

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  How might we change incentive structures to ensure that individual gain contributes to collective benefit?

Design for resilience

- **Distribute ownership**
  Needs identification, design, and implementation of TA currently sit primarily with donors and governments. How might these processes become more inclusive to include state governments, health providers and community?

- **Reduce dependencies that perpetuate short-termism**
  How might we build a self-sustaining system, where the system self-regulates from internal resources to maintain its equilibrium based on what is available?

- **Standardize the core, tinker around the edge**
  How do we streamline core TA functions while preserving diversity at the edges?
Opportunity Areas

Re-imagining interactions to build **local ownership** for greater sustainability

*How can actors at all levels of the system be empowered to take the lead as well as be held accountable for their actions?*

Re-imagining knowledge flow to support strategic decision-making

*How can data use and knowledge flow improve decision making and a shared understanding of what is working, what is needed, and what matters most?*

Re-imagining incentives to build greater **workforce capacity** & maximize impact

*How might TA empower the workforce at all levels through strategic use of resources that align with real needs and leverage the dynamics of local context?*
Our Focus Area

Re-imagining incentives to build greater workforce capacity & maximize impact

Currently resources for workforce development are wasted due to poor identification of target audience, miss use of incentives and evaluation criteria that fails to measure the impact of training.

**RELATED CHALLENGES:**

- HR for health (numbers and distribution)
- Re-imagining training

How might TA empower the workforce at all levels through strategic use of resources that align with real needs and leverage the dynamics of local context?
Quotes from interviews
Incentives

A lot is spent on overheads, the proportions on expendables are huge for per diems, flights before we talk about content. The reality is people will not participate without per diem, they refuse to participate. MSH

Why are you spending your budget on SUV’s and laptops? we need to understand the gap that will make a difference, if your delivering services to pregnant women you may need to provide plastic chairs for them to sit on. TA HUB

The problem is not the training we are providing it is the attitude to work. People want to attend training but are they clear about why they are attending the training or is it a day out of the office with a little bit of money on the side, the money should be an incentive to get the right people to attend but, it has become an end in itself, the main focus of the participation. MSH

In reality when you go to people and ask what do you need the requests are not for innovation, new treatments - it is for rent, basic things. MHS

Loans comprise the government in order for partners to get their way, it undermines the system and makes sure the government responds to the needs of the project. FMOH

You can ask how can this be true that people travel to a place just to get a per diem but people will not turn up if you do not provide certain things, these are the realities, so are we even meeting people at the point where they need support? or are we so focused on all this noise around what the donor is providing and what there is money for, that we are not really touching where the help is needed? MHS
Parallel Systems

We are funded by multiple partners to provide similar programs and they are each accountable to their funders, they are tied to tight time frames and rather than taking time to assess the situation, to understand need, coordination and collaboration they are just focused on implementation, but are they implementing the right things? Dept HPRS, FMOH

Donors want to invest 20 million but want to use it to set up an office, I see that is bribery, they want to make sure that the project team is comfortable, they take that money and rent an office outside of the ministry, they have created an elite group it is bribery, they use it as an opportunity to attract the best people but, the system does not benefit. FMOH

When a sector is manned by the private sector and the program ends capability is lost the knowledge of the work is lost. If the donor is paying the private sector, the work will be discontinuous because payments can not be sustained, resources go with the program and they go with the knowledge. FMOH

We need a mindset shift from those who work on behalf of donors to implement TA - implementing partners are used to stepping in to do the work to meet the targets, we need them to step back become mentors, trainers have a few TA embedded at all levels. It requires a restructuring of labour inputs, to something that is slower with continuity. TA Hub

Different states have different attitudes to the chaos of TA. One state may say we are tired of 10 different donors, doing 10 different things duplicating each others effort, another state may think the chaos is better - if you guys don’t talk to each other we can get laptops from all of you. The benefits of coordination and integration is a mindset change, it takes longer - the approach needs to be tailored to the cultural context. DIA TA Hub

We must review our project design strategies, project design is poor and projects are not integrated - it is not just the fault of the partners but we have so many people doing similar things, we are repeating ourselves and there is a lot of waste, activities are currently fragmented across different departments. FMOH
Sustainability

At times, the problem with us in the government is policy summersaults. The director there, this is part of their baby, and he wants it to succeed. But they might appoint a new director tomorrow, this may not be his focus and this may just fizzle out. We've been having a lot of good initiative like that, it goes with the initiator. TSU

We are looking for sustainability shifts for workforce capacity strengthening, one answer may be longer term thinking to develop curriculum and embed the training in our state level institutions DAI

Government providers of technical assistance have to keep up with the international providers, we are taking it seriously that if you are going to be part of NDA, part of TSU, you must develop yourself. If you don't train your workforce sufficiently, they will and sound inferior in the committee of technical people. TSU

In the first 6 months, 10 of our good hands left to UNICEF, WHO, BMGF and all of those things. It got to a point that he wasn't approving people going on secondment, so a lot of people started resigning. So we have that deficit. TSU

If there is no capacity transfer, the donor is just meeting their own agenda, when the TA goes away their knowledge goes with them that means you never set out to help me you just wanted to fill your own agenda FMOH child health division

US Organisations have to think about what the legacy might be, either we are transitioning to truly local and sustainable, change has to happen if accountability is not there nothing is going to change Portfolio Director MSH
Documentation Day 1
What is an incentive?

- Something to serve as a motivation for
- Motivation: Required for a desired output/outcome
- Incentives are things you give to individuals to motivate them to do something
- A reward for providing a service or accomplishing a task

- Money
- Resources
- Supervision
- Mentoring
- Trainings
- Respect
- Free medical care
- Recognition
- Training
- Career
- Visibility
- Certification/Branding
How are incentives misused?

Quick win on targets
Promiscuity
What would be motivating enough?
Unsustainable
Often seen as prerequisite instead of being a complement
Incentive is not a compensation
By using incentives as a tool to achieve quick win
To achieve targets
What are examples of positive incentive use?

- Accreditation & recognized standards
- Interorganizational collaboration
- Recognition
- An incentive for the system is having strong standards
- Creates and enabling environment

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Conversation on the design principles

Priority for Government
Consider the system as a whole
Align on common purpose of success
Build mechanisms of accountability
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Slow down
Shift from buying solutions to owning problems

Priority for Implementing Partner
Scale trust
Balance individual gain for collective benefit
Shift from buying solutions to owning problems
Consider the system as a whole
Strengthen feedback loops
Conversation on the design principles - which ones resonate?

Distribute Ownership
Governance structure is key
FMOH should provide ownership, but the work is donor driven and they come with “in Uganda we did it this way” so we will do it here like this. **There is no time to get to results.** This undermines the role of the MOH to play the role as the legislator. The problem is that there is weak system but for ownership you need to have a strong system. Another issue is around consensus building/compromise. **There is no time** to discuss with everyone.

Resource constraints
We should invest in the system rather than in the result

Resist the quick fix
Most time we come with high tech solutions. One size fits all. Stepping stone methodology. Communities know how to itemize all their problems. We come with predetermined solution, which are the first 5 of our top priorities but it's important to create linkages. If community better understands the problem, they can solve it on their own. **Often they don't even know why you are coming with a certain intervention, why children are dying.** The community needs to know themselves, often they are not informed

When you leave, they revert back to what they have done before.
Conversation on the design principles - which ones resonate?

Align on common purpose & success
Donors have their own workplan in the end there is no linkage between what the donor does and what MOH expects. Sustainability becomes an issue. Donors come with a lot of money but there are resource constraints. Most interventions are donor driven.
Fragmentation and lack of integration. Problem with inefficiency and no interconnectivity.
Accountability mechanism: There is no structured mechanism in our system.

Align on common purpose & success
Governments have plans for the whole year. Donors come in with their own plans. They tend to forget what is the plan and follow donor. Plans keep piling up. No structure in place to align. No mechanism for accountability.
Who is responsible?
How can we strengthen the government voice in representation in front of donors to sustain norms and standards?
We need a common system to build on common data (quality of information)
Conversation on the design principles - which ones resonate?

**Slow down**

*Follow us to the end - stay the course*

Governments and states should own their problems.

Problem is with budget lines, funds should be appropriated, released and used.

We have 2030 as a target, but the global world has given the target, what is our target? System issues need to be addressed.

What about the sincerity of government?

Example elections:

“A common excuse is to say there are hard to reach areas, and then they get neglected. But then there are elections, electoral materials get to those places. Politicians know what they can get.”

**What’s missing?**

How about technical assistance for quality service delivery, we need to talk about quality of capacity and quality of care. How can this be reflected in the design principles?
Conversation on the design principles - which ones resonate?

Scale trust
Government thinks that Implementing partners has a hidden agenda that promotes their own agenda.

Implementing partners can’t follow government if they can’t see commitment, we need to experience government following through on their commitment. Government leave their strategies without clear investment.
Shifts

From DONOR OWNED
What’s currently happening?

Donors design programs based on their perceived understanding of issues from global perspectives, bring it to the country with funding backing, The government accepts it willingly - whether it addresses their core priorities or not and runs with it. There is no investment of the government in the conceptualization of the program.

To COUNTRY OWNED
What is the desired future state?

The country to design a long-term roadmap of addressing its health challenges (categorized into short term, mid-term and long term), provide leadership and accountability mechanisms and well-structured coordination system, that will drive support and implementation process.
Shifts
From COMPETITIVE
What's currently happening?
Partner work independently, so much fragmentation of activities
Partners implement activities that are not in line with government priorities
Partners implement similar programs leading to duplication and inefficiency in resource utilization
Partners withhold their funds, government not clear how much, partners
Partner implement activities and evaluate implementation status based on specific implementation area

To COUNTRY OWNED
What is the desired future state?
All partners support similar intervention aligned to collaborate to provide same platform for implementation
All partners align to the national and state strategic development plan
Partners workplan is developed in collaboration with government
**Shifts**

**FROM GETTING NUMBERS IN TRAINING**
What’s currently happening?

- Too many trainings are currently going on with different health workers
- The trainings are not cascading to the rest of the health workers in the facilities
- Many are not too interested in the content of the training but only in the incentive they are gaining by attending the training

**To IMPROVING QUALITY HEALTH CARE**
What is the desired future state?

Get to the situation where every health worker is trained in every desired area of training to deliver quality health care services in the facility.

Everyone gets interested in the training right from FMOH/ NPHCDA down to the facility health worker and not just the incentive attached to those trainings to improve quality health services.
Shifts

From FRAGMENTED
What's currently happening?

- Different types of intermediaries are used to deliver TA leading to duplication and dependency. There are no standards

- The role of FMOH, SMOH, NPHCDA & SPHCDA vis-a-vie Donors and implementing partners is not clear leading to a fragmented incentives approach. There is no regulation or harmonization at the state level

To STREAMLINED
What is the desired future state?

A clear description of the TA deployment model for each level of the hierarchy (PHC, secondary, tertiary) Academic institutions, research institutions, Training of trainers vrs independent consultants and national associations
Shifts

From SHORT TERM
What's currently happening?

- Most projects only run for 5 years
- Inbuilt sustainability plan is not structured or owned by government
- IP’s work towards achieving donor target numbers
- Building sustainability requires time but projects are caught up in just reaching their targets
- Often times pilots do not have inbuilt structure or plan for scale e.g. cascading training

To BUILD FOR SUSTAINABILITY
What is the desired future state?

- Taking time to build a training structure that will last, will be efficient and lead to quality services
- Government owned (interest, commitment, resource provision)
- Enhanced accountability at all levels, mentorship and recognition of service quality improvement
- All training plans must..... Ensure practice of new skills and mentorship
- Motivated health workforce, regular salaries available equipment and supplies
- Training and retraining must be a continuous exercise
- Training approach that will ensure sustained skills improvement and practice
Shifts

From COMPETITIVE
What's currently happening?

- Partners all work independently, there is so much fragmentation of activity
- Partners implement activities that are not in line with government priorities
- Partners implement similar programs leading to duplication and inefficiency in resource utilization
- Partners withhold their funds and governments do not know the size of their commitment
- Partners implement activities and evaluate implementation status as having good impact based on their specific implementation area/ criteria

To COLLABORATIVE
What is the desired future state?

All partners supporting similar interventions aligned to collaborate to provide the same platform for implementation

All partners align to the national and state strategic development plan

Partners workplan is developed in collaboration with government

Partners workplan embedded in the annual operation plan of states and nationals

Partners put their funding into funding baskets and implement together
Profiles
Types of incentives

- Promotion
- Infrastructure
- Training & Meeting
- Equipment & Supplies
- Accreditation
- Financial Compensation
- Recognition
- Human Resources
- Events
- Economic Opportunity
- Welcome & Access
- Tax Exemption
Donor

I believe our priorities align with those of the government, we want to see shared investment and commitment from the government.

**Incentives**
- Political interest
- Economic opportunity
- Priority Shifting
- Business opportunity

**Drawbacks**
- Ownership stays with the donor
- Timeframes driven by home base financial cycles

**Benefits**
- International expertise
- Funding
# Donor

## What do I need?
- Government assurance for return on investment
- Government commitment/interest
- Up to date information/data
- Fiscal space analysis / gap analysis
- Legal frameworks - policies/guidelines
- Local capacity/experience for implementation

## What motivates my behaviour?
- Clear accountability
- Demonstration from MOH of good understanding of where the gaps are
- Visible fund management mechanisms
- The drive for results
- Partners portfolio/financial engagement
- Ability for the system to close the gap

## What undermines my function?
- Competition
- Fragile security situations
- HR turnover
- Cash flow
- Working modalities

## What does success look like?
- Results
- The ripple effect
- Government ownership
Implementing partner

I need to get this program up and running, we need engagement at all levels

Incentives

Infrastructure
Counterpart funding
Tax/VAT exemption
Welcome and access
Financial compensation

Drawbacks
Revenue from government is depleted
Increased competition among IP’s
Requests from government that are outside the program activities (borrow vehicle, internet)

Benefits
Commitment and engagement
Acceleration of progress
Increase coverage
## Implementing partner

### What do I need?
- Funds
- Participation
- Timeliness
- Results
- Support and commitment from government
- Enabling environment

### What motivates my behaviour?
- The outcome I am seeking
- Credibility
- Commitment from government
- Leadership and ownership by government
- Guidelines, policies, regulations
- Assurance of continuous funding
- Donor listening and flexibility

### What undermines my function?
- Lack of commitment from government
- Lack of guidelines, procedures, policy, standards
- Unaligned goals
- Lack of workforce
- Government bureaucracy
- Protocols
- Delays
- Lack of trust
- Expectations for incentives for participation

### What does success look like?
- Achieving targets
- Developing the reputation of being a credible partner with government
- Gaining visibility: Donors, government
- Expanding influence to country and reputation
- Complete within timeframes
I know what we need for TA but, I am not included in decisions and all the resources are being invested outside government

**Incentives**

**Events**

Training - by IP’s on management and institutional capacities

Human resources - expertise comes with the agenda of donors

Infrastructure - for special programs - office space

Financial compensation - per diems, accommodation etc

**Drawbacks**

- Diverts attention
- Loss of trained staff to IP with better environment
- No sustainability

**Benefits**

- Strong enabling environment
- Global visibility, experience
- Learning
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I am trying to coordinate the activities of all the partners in this state, there are so many competing projects

**Incentives**

- Financial compensation - Salaries, per diem
- Equipment and supplies - motor bike, computer

**Recognition**

- Infrastructure - office space

**Promotion**

**Drawbacks**

- Takes attention off their statutory duties
- Task shifting
- Not meeting targets
- Lack of replacement

**Benefits**

- Experience
- Capacity building
- Time to relax and refresh
- Things get better
# SMOH

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Community leader

I have just won a seat in the local election I am seeking to demonstrate the impact I can make for my community

Incentives

Recognition by community and by other communities

Infrastructure - water well, facility, school, market place - creates trust something the community sees, may just be the infrastructure not resourced to function

Human resources - good expertise that is trusted

Drawbacks

Health is not sexy
Data is not visible
In the quest for data may lose sight of health issues
Cooking the data to gain recognition
Lack of alignment with the strategic plan
Infrastructure investment is usually politically motivated, the facility may be built where is not needed and may provide no service

Benefits

Resources
Learning
# Community leader

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Nurse

I am overworked and underpaid, I am looking for ways to earn more

Incentives

Training
Financial compensation - supplementary salary, per - diem
Recognition
Promotion

Drawbacks

Staff turnover
Get married- move to the city
Unhealthy competition between nurses and between programs
May prioritise certain areas of work and compromise quality of service
May participate in trainings that they can not apply back in the facility

Benefits

Promotes healthy competition between staff
Capacity strengthening
Commodity supply
Facility improvements
## Nurse

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# Summary of drawbacks and benefits of incentives

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<td>Favorites attend many meetings/trainings while others miss out</td>
<td>Incentives are often designed to move us faster there is no <strong>time</strong> for trust&lt;br&gt;Favourning the quick fix</td>
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<td>We rely on (irregular) incentives to meet basic needs</td>
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What types of incentive structures/mechanisms move us towards

- Sustainability of programs
- Country owned TA
- Streamlined processes
- Improved quality at the facility
- Collaboration between partners
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<td>Track training for equity of opportunity Register</td>
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Ideas

The problem this idea is solving

- Some healthcare workers go for repeated trainings.
- Many trainings offered at the same time
- Have to make a difficult choice of which training to attend
- It’s not clear how people get chosen to attend a training; there is (In) Equity of opportunity; favorites attend many meetings/trainings while others miss out
- There is limited or no data on who has been trained in what and whether they should go for a first time training or a refresher training
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How it works

1. Staff career development tracker. This will help ensure equity in opportunity for training.
2. Will look at how the training will help with professional growth.
3. Will create a capacity profile for staff
4. Identify training opportunities and essential trainings for roles
5. Schedule training
6. After training, update profile
7. Heads of department and facilities will have access to the profiles because they will be online
8. Facilities won’t be able to edit the profile to avoid fudging
9. IPs will also be able to access who has been trained and who needs to be trained
10. HCWs can view profile but not edit
11. This will help support career path for staff

Next steps

1. Consultative meeting for buy in: SMOH - SPHCDA, LGHA, Training institutes, IPS, FMC
2. Incorporate the training tracker into the currently developed workforce register
3. Orientation of the facility manager to use the tracker for decision making
Ideas

The problem this idea is solving

- Competition between IPs
- Issue of fragmentation where we have either diff IPs doing the same thing in the same facility or the same facility is doing things in diff ways
- Motivation for participation where incentives are given for regular activities like keying in data for DHIS-2, which is part of somebody’s job, and they get a salary for it.
How it works
A set of standards or principles for technical assistance:

Single measurement rod
- Standardize incentive content

Our voice counts
- Ownership and participation
- Incentives designed without considering whether it is the right incentive.
- Participation of professional associations
- Guidance on who can offer an incentive and who should receive it.

Drive for results
- How to motivate for better results
- Incentives are not used for normal duties but for going an extra mile
- Feedback on outcomes/impact of TA

You get what you give
- Efficiency of resource use

Fair play
- How do we ensure we are not over or under incentivizing?

Next steps
1) Review existing standards and principles for incentives
2) Decide if these should be standards or principles
3) Small level stakeholders meeting to gain a consensus on the standards and fine tune them
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<td>Limits brand of supply</td>
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<td>Ensures local suppliers are included in exemption</td>
<td>Promotes international brands at the expense of locally available brands</td>
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<td>Promotes availability of commodities</td>
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<td>Equips infrastructure that is already in place</td>
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<td>Builds infrastructure to meet gaps in line with priorities</td>
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<td>The meeting has no clear agenda</td>
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<td>Decisions are made</td>
<td>There are too many meetings</td>
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<td>Coordination - stakeholders are brought together</td>
<td>Conflict of duty, responsibilities suffer</td>
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<td>There is opportunity and responsibility to participate</td>
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<td>Ensuring all HP meet core competencies to deliver basic standards</td>
<td>Paying staff for performing her business as usual role</td>
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<td>Personal development</td>
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<td>Training comes with additional responsibilities</td>
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<td>Creates and enabling environment for a functional training/meeting/event</td>
<td>I am attending the meeting/ training just for the Per diem</td>
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<td>I am the right person to be doing this activity</td>
<td>I am so no to low paid that I am using the Per diem to supplement income</td>
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Implementing partner pledge to strengthen the function of the system

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<td>Harminise incentive system and modalities</td>
<td>Good documentation of needs, resources and gaps</td>
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<td>Mapping pilot innovations for scale up</td>
<td>Availability of quality human resources for health</td>
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<td>Minimising parallel systems for funding and service delivery</td>
<td>Provide minimum basic tools and equipment for staff</td>
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<td>Support the government to play the leadership role and to coordinate</td>
<td>Clear strategies and policy guidelines for incentives</td>
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<td>Provide TA to improve the functionality of existing systems</td>
<td>Preservice training for HR</td>
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<td>Compliance with incentive modalities</td>
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<td>Document the system gaps and identify best practice</td>
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## Government pledge to strengthen the function of the system

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<td>Unify salary structures overall government levels and agencies</td>
<td>Collaborate with government local experts to develop training guidelines</td>
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<td>Identify the types of training and needs of the officers</td>
<td>Align per-diem payments with government standards</td>
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<td>Develop strategic policy i.e one facility/ ward</td>
<td>Assist government to rehabilitate prioritise facilities</td>
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<td>Conduct a baseline assessments</td>
<td>Make a commitment to stay on course and follow the government don’t keep changing priorities</td>
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<td>Participants with competencies to make decision should be the ones attending meetings</td>
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<td>Provide governance and leadership</td>
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<td>Ensure commodities brought into the country are certified and align with government priorities</td>
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The table above outlines the commitment the government is making and the demands it expects from the IP (likely referring to an Individual or Party). The commitment includes various aspects of civil servants' welfare, salary structures, training needs identification, strategic policy development, baseline assessments, governance, and leadership in ensuring the commodities brought into the country are certified and align with government priorities. The demands from the IP include providing tools to support government training priorities, collaborating with local experts to develop training guidelines, aligning per-diem payments with government standards, assisting in the rehabilitation of facilities, and making a commitment to stay on course and follow the government’s priorities without changing them.
What would be successful outcome for reimagining TA

IP’s policies, systems and approaches are streamlined to support greater ownership, accountability and responsibility from the government for increased quality TA in health especially at community, LGA and state level

A success would be a situation where every stakeholder will come together to plan and implement TA to better the system and also to achieve a common goal to better the health system of Nigeria

That TA aligns with government key priorities
Government is positioned to provide focused leaderships, strategic decisions and accountability mechanisms in coordinating both internal and external support

It helps the country in knowing what the current health challenges are. Engaging stakeholders at all levels becomes easier. Help in developing favorable and sustainable policies and standards.