CHILD SURVIVAL ACTION:
ENDING PREVENTABLE DEATHS AMONG CHILDREN UNDER FIVE

WE NEED TO ACT!

There are only 6 years left for countries to achieve the SDG targets.

In 2022, almost 5 million children under the age of five died before their 5th birthday.

Without accelerated action, 59 countries are not on track to meet the SDG target of 25 or fewer deaths per 1,000 live births.

59 countries need accelerated action to meet the child SDG by 2030;

almost 80% are in Africa.

• Pneumonia, Diarrhea and Malaria remain the leading, preventable causes of death in this age group.

• Under-nutrition is a key risk factor for mortality.

• Nevertheless, resource-constrained countries have demonstrated that the target is achievable.

Under-five mortality rate in 2030

- <25 per 1000 live births
- 25-29
- 30-49
- 50-74
- 75+

Data Source: UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (IGME), 2023

A SIGNIFICANT PROPORTION OF UNDER-FIVE DEATHS OCCUR AMONG CHILDREN AGED 1-59 MONTHS.

POST-NEONATAL (1-59 months)

NEONATAL (first 28 days)
WHAT DO WE NEED TO END PREVENTABLE CHILD DEATHS!

1. Political leadership and accountability

2. Game-changing action

3. Alignment of all partners in support of government-led priorities

SUCCESS IN CHILD SURVIVAL ACTION

People-centered and quality primary health care delivering high impact prevention, promotion and care

Accountability at all levels for change

Multi-sectoral responses that align with national strategies and plans

Meaningful engagement of communities

An equity-sensitive approach

CHILD SURVIVAL ACTION

A critical part of efforts to end preventable deaths along the life course

Child Survival Action seizes the opportunity to align across complementary efforts that strengthen Primary Health Care, inclusive of community health, disease- and topic-specific initiatives – for a common agenda.

SPOTLIGHT

Sierra Leone becomes the first country to launch their Child Survival Action Plan, under the leadership of the Minister of Health in April 2023

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