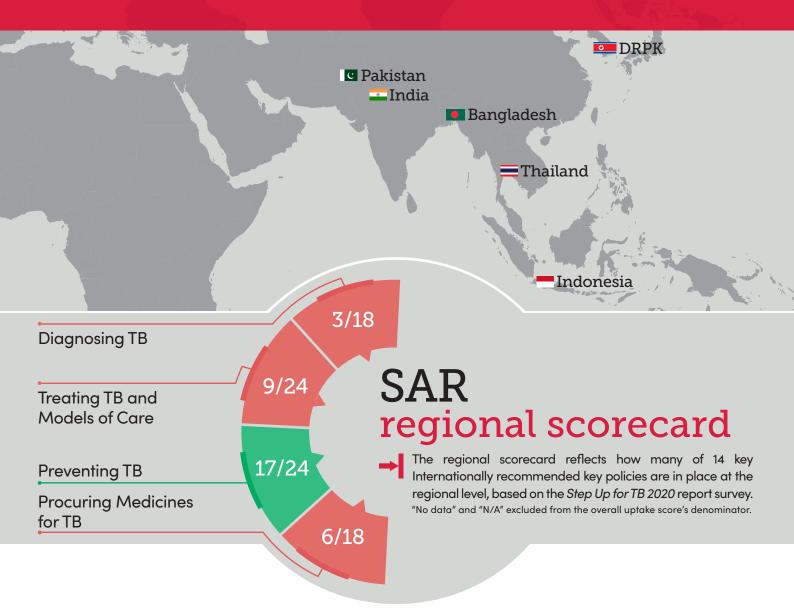
TB policies in South Asia Region (SAR)

Step Up for TB2020 Tuberculosis Policies in 37 Countries A survey of prevention, testing, and treatment policies and practices



Internationally recommended key policies uptake





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Key numbers in 2019*





treatment

coverage (%)



achieved (%)







UNHLM TB treatment target for 2019

UNHLM DR-TB UNHLM childhood treatment target for 2019 achieved (%)

TB treatment target for 2019 achieved (%)

UNHLM prevention therapy target for 2019 achieved (%)

Key TB policies dashboard

National policies indicate	Bangladesh	DPRK	India	Indonesia	Pakistan	Thailand
Diagnosing TB						
a rapid molecular diagnostic (RMD) as the initial test for TB						
urinary TB LAM for routine diagnosis of TB in people living with HIV (PLHIV) and the test is routinely used in both inpatient (IPD) and outpatient (OPD) settings**						
RIF and INH resistance testing for all people starting on treatment; at least FLQ resistance testing for all people with RR-TB; and DST methods available in country for RIF, INH, FLQs, Bdq, Dlm, Lzd, and Cfz, when these medicines are used for routine treatment ¹						
Treating TB and Models of Care						
decentralised DR-TB treatment to primary healthcare (PHC) facility and at home ^{2,**}						
routine use of injectable-free regimens for children with uncomplicated DR-TB						
use of a modified shorter all-oral regimen for eligible adults with DR-TB, either for routine use or operational research ³						
no limitation to the routine,⁴ combined use of Bdq and Dlm⁵ beyond 6 months**						
Preventing TB						
a shorter TB preventive treatment (TPT) regimen (3HP, 3RH, 4R or 1HP) ⁶						
household contacts of a person with bacteriologically confirmed DS-TB and DR-TB are investigated for signs and symptoms of TB**						
PLHIV are eligible for TPT						
household contacts of a person with bacteriologically confirmed DS-TB are eligible for TPT, regardless of age**						
Procuring Medicines for TB						
Country is enrolled in the WHO Collaborative Registration Procedure (CRP) ⁷						
Stringent regulatory authority (SRA) ⁸ approval and/or WHO Prequalification (PQ) ⁹ required for importation of TB medicines purchased with domestic funding						
SRA and/or WHO PQ quality-assured product status required for procurement of locally manufactured TB medicines	N/A***				N/A***	

LEGEND Is this policy in place at the regional level?

Partial No No data

N/A - Not applicable

(*) Source: WHO and Stop TB Partnership (accessed 2020 Oct.). (**) This data consists of two or more individual indicators. "No data" is used when there is "no data" for one or more of the individual indicators considered. (***) TB medicines are not locally manufactured, or locally manufactured TB medicines are not procured.

Yes

(***) IB medicines are not locally manufactured, or locally manufactured iB medicines are not procured. () Abbreviations: rifampicin (RIF), isoniazid (INH), fluoroquinolone (FLQ), rifampicin-resistant TB (RR-TB), bedaquiline (Bdq), delamanid (DIm), linezolid (Lzd), clofazamine (Cfz). (*) DR-TB treatment initiation and follow-up can be done at a PHC facility and medicines can be taken at home. (*) Modifications to the standardised shorter regimen (beyond the two medicine substitutions allowed by WHO) include replacing the injectable with bedaquiline or other modifications. (*) This excludes extensions beyond 6 months upon special approval (e.g. consilia or expert groups); it also excludes countries that allow extensions beyond 6 months, but for specific duration (e.g. 36 weeks). (*) Combined use of Bdq and DIm could be limited to certain groups of patients. (*) 3HP: 3 months rifapentine plus isoniazid given daily; 1HP: 1 month of rifapentine plus isoniazid given daily. (*) The CRP accelerates registration through timely sharing of medicine dossiers to national medicines regulatory authorities (https://extranet.who.int/prequal/content/collaborative-procedure-accelerated-registration). (*) For more information about SRA: https://www.who.int/medicines/reas/rquality_safty/quality_safty/quality_safty/quality_acters/ration_log/2010_and/content/collaborative-procedure-accelerated-registration). (*) For more information about SRA: https://www.who.int/medicines/reas/rquality_safty/quality_safty/quality_safty/quality_safty/quality_safty. (*) WHO definition of SRA on page 356). (*) WHO PQ assesses medicines and active pharmaceutical ingredients to ensure they are safe, appropriate and meeting stringent quality standards: https://extranet.who.int/prequal/content/what-we-do.





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