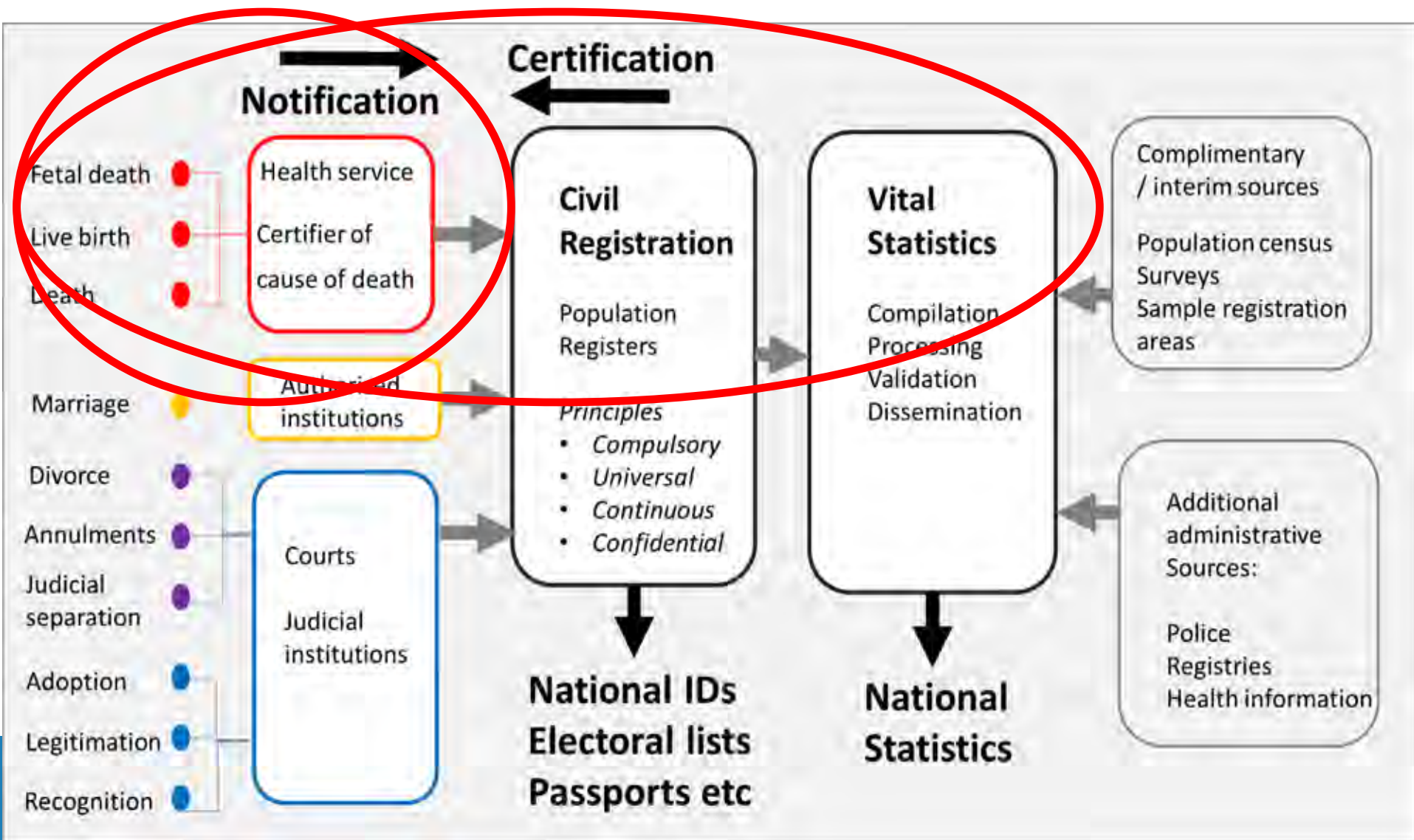


# *ICT Innovations in Health Systems as Integral Component of CRVS*

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# Health-Related Civil Registration Events and Linkages with Vital Statistics



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# User-Focused eCRVS & mCRVS Solutions Causing Change

## Birth registration by SMS in Africa

BY DUSAN BELIC, NTOMOBILE  
MONDAY, AUGUST 16TH, 2010 AT 1:25 AM



Here's another use of technology in emerging markets: parents can register newborn babies via SMS in Africa.

As you may guess, newborn babies are unfortunately a bit of a blind spot in Africa's poorest nations. Both parents and governments have tough time in keeping track of the population. Enter mobile technology, which wants to satisfy the government's need to keep track of the benefits to the new parents.

Parents should simply text: "Family Name" will be created. On its first visit, a health worker with a basic baby-kit. Moreover, when it

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### SENEGAL: Texting for birth certificates



Photo: Maxime Le Hégarat/IRIN

KOLDA, 9 August 2012 (IRIN) - Only a handful of births are registered in the remote Kolda region of southern Senegal, but a new mobile phone application that allows parents to text the details of a newborn to obtain a birth certificate could cut down school drop-outs when the children are older.

Senegalese law does not make birth declaration mandatory, yet birth certificates are required for enrolling a child in school and registering to vote.

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August 21, 2012 - by Ely Okutuyi

## Full-scale campaign for mobile birth registration starts in Kenya

Kenyan parents can now access birth certificates of their newborns on their phones thanks to a project by PLAN International and World Health Organization (WHO).



births.

The project will save the parents the trouble of having to travel long distances to register births, as community health workers will use mobile phones to collect information of the

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## THAI HOSPITALS ADOPTED ONLINE BIRTH REGISTRATION SYSTEM

By Thanaya Kunaokompaiboonchai | 31 October 2012

Thai parents at remote areas can now register their newborns via an online birth registration system provided by hospitals. The system will link birth data of each child in hospital to the civil registration system.

Interior Ministry's Department of Provincial Administration, Ministry of Public Health, and National Health Security Office, in partnership with Unicef, developed an online birth registration programme that is currently used by 44 hospitals across the country.

Using Unicef-supported computers, birth data will be instantly synchronised with the civil registration system where registrar officials will immediately know and can track families that have not come to make a record of their child's birth or obtain a birth certificate.

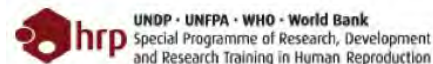
supporting computers to hospitals, Unicef is piloting for one-stop birth registration service have registered. The system will also issue birth certificates to the government. The registration is the child's name.



Automated ICD-10 Cause of Death Coding

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# EXAMPLE: The THRIVE Consortium Open Smart Register Platform (**OpenSRP**) for RMNCH



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# Consolidation of multiple registers into a “Smart Register”, in India called Dristhi

No.	Register name	DRISTHI impact
1	Diary	
2	Eligible Couple Register	Yes
3	ANC Register	Yes
4	PNC Register	Yes
5	Birth Register	Yes
6	Infant Death Register	Yes
7	Maternal Death Register	Yes
8	1 to 5 years children disease and death register	Yes
9	General Death Register	
10	High Risk Pregnancy Register	Yes
11	Immunization Register	Yes
12	Vitamin A Register	Yes
13-16	Family Planning Register	Yes
17	Reproductive tract infection/Sexually transmitted infection register	
18	Village Blindness Register (VBR)	
19	Blood smear register	
20	TB Register	
21	School Health programme register	
22	Janani Suraksha Register	Partial
23	Janani Suraksha Expenditure Register	
24	Madilu Register	Partial
25	Untied Expenditure Register	
26	Stock and issue register	



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Register and reporting month

Service mode

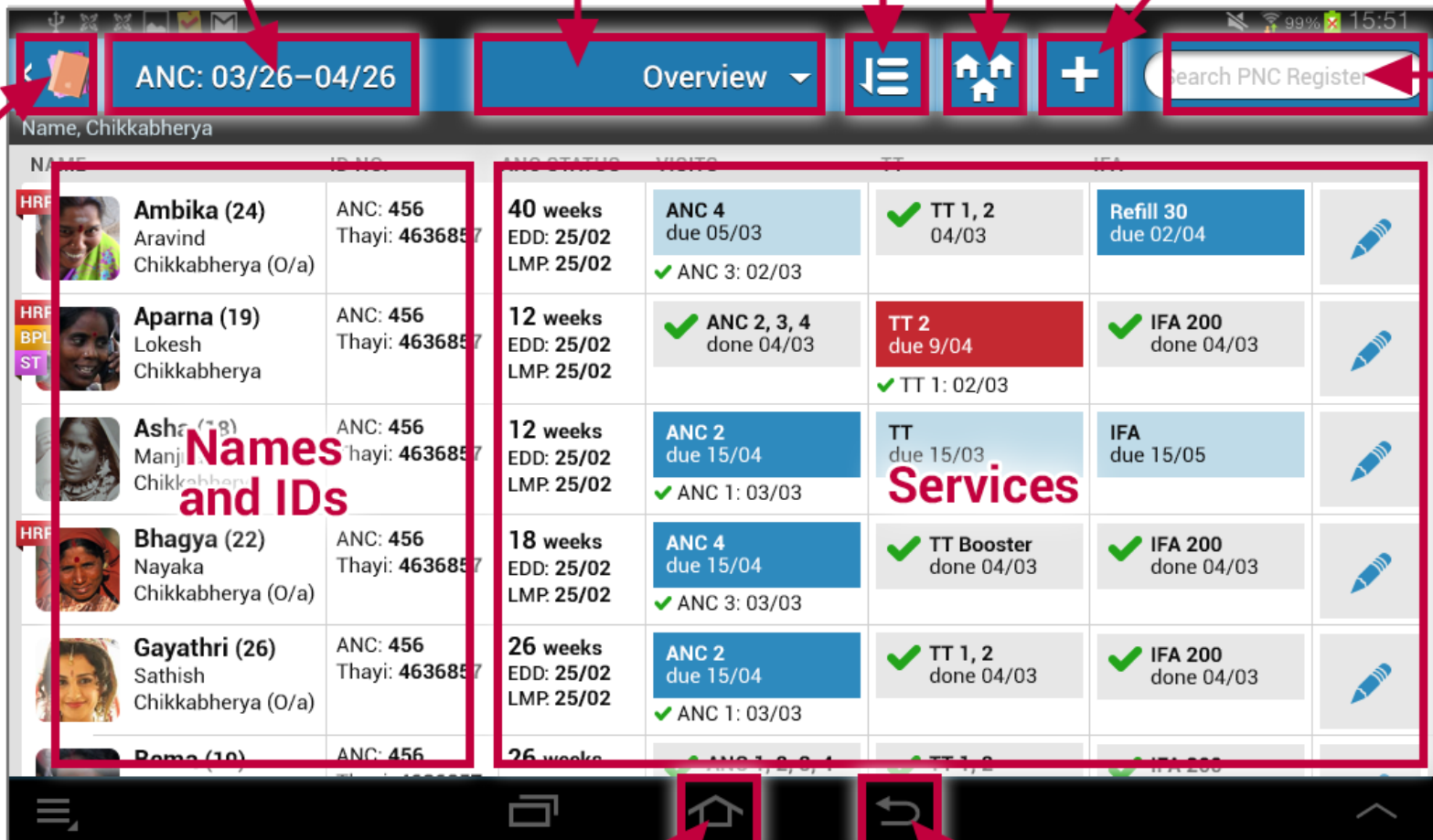
Village filter

Sort/arrange

Add new record

Smart search

Back to home screen



Names and IDs

Services

Tablet home screen

Back one screen

# PARTS OF User Interface of OpenSRP



# Registering Maternal and Child Deaths

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## ANC Close

Reason for closing ANC case? ANC ಕೇಸ್ ಮುಚ್ಚುವಿಕೆಗೆ ಕಾರಣ? \*

- Spontaneous abortion ನೈಸರ್ಗಿಕ ಗರ್ಭಪಾತ
- Induced abortion ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಗರ್ಭಪಾತ
- Relocation (temporary) ಸ್ಥಳಾಂತರ (ಶಾಶ್ವತ)
- Relocation (permanent) ಸ್ಥಳಾಂತರ (ಶಾಶ್ವತ)
- Woman died ಮಹಿಳೆ ಮರಣ

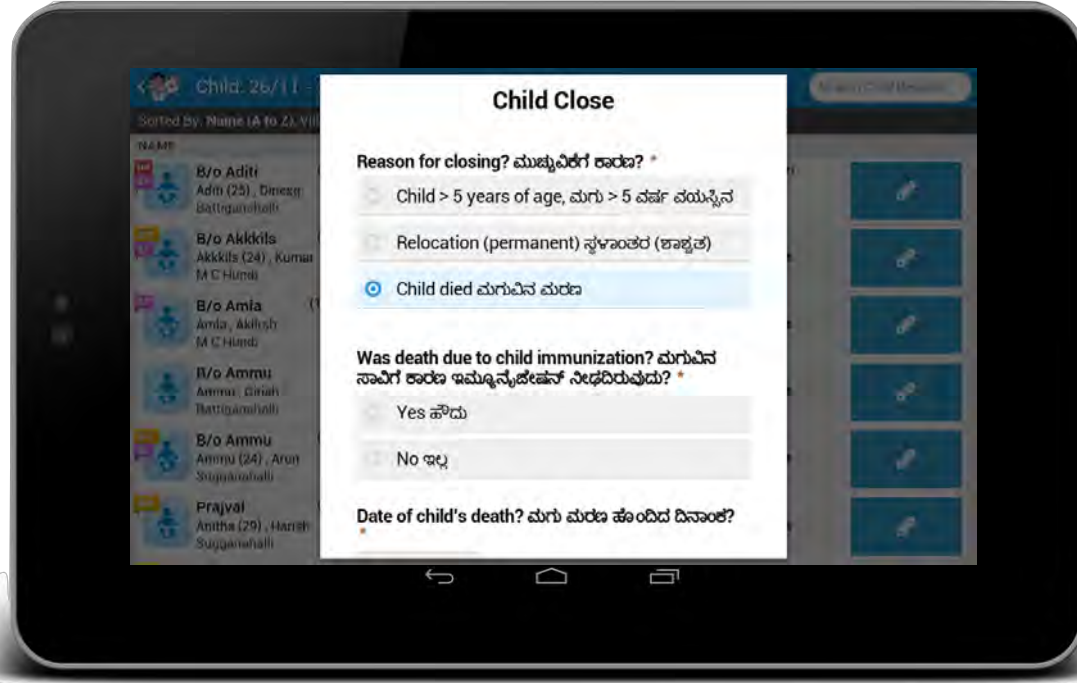
Is the death a maternal death? ಈ ಮರಣ ತಾಯಿಯ ಮರಣವೇ? \*

- Yes ಹೌದು
- No ಇಲ್ಲ
- Don't know ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ

Date of maternal death? ತಾಯಿಯ ಮರಣ ದಿನಾಂಕ? \*

Cause of maternal death? ತಾಯಿಯ ಮರಣಕ್ಕೆ ಕಾರಣ?

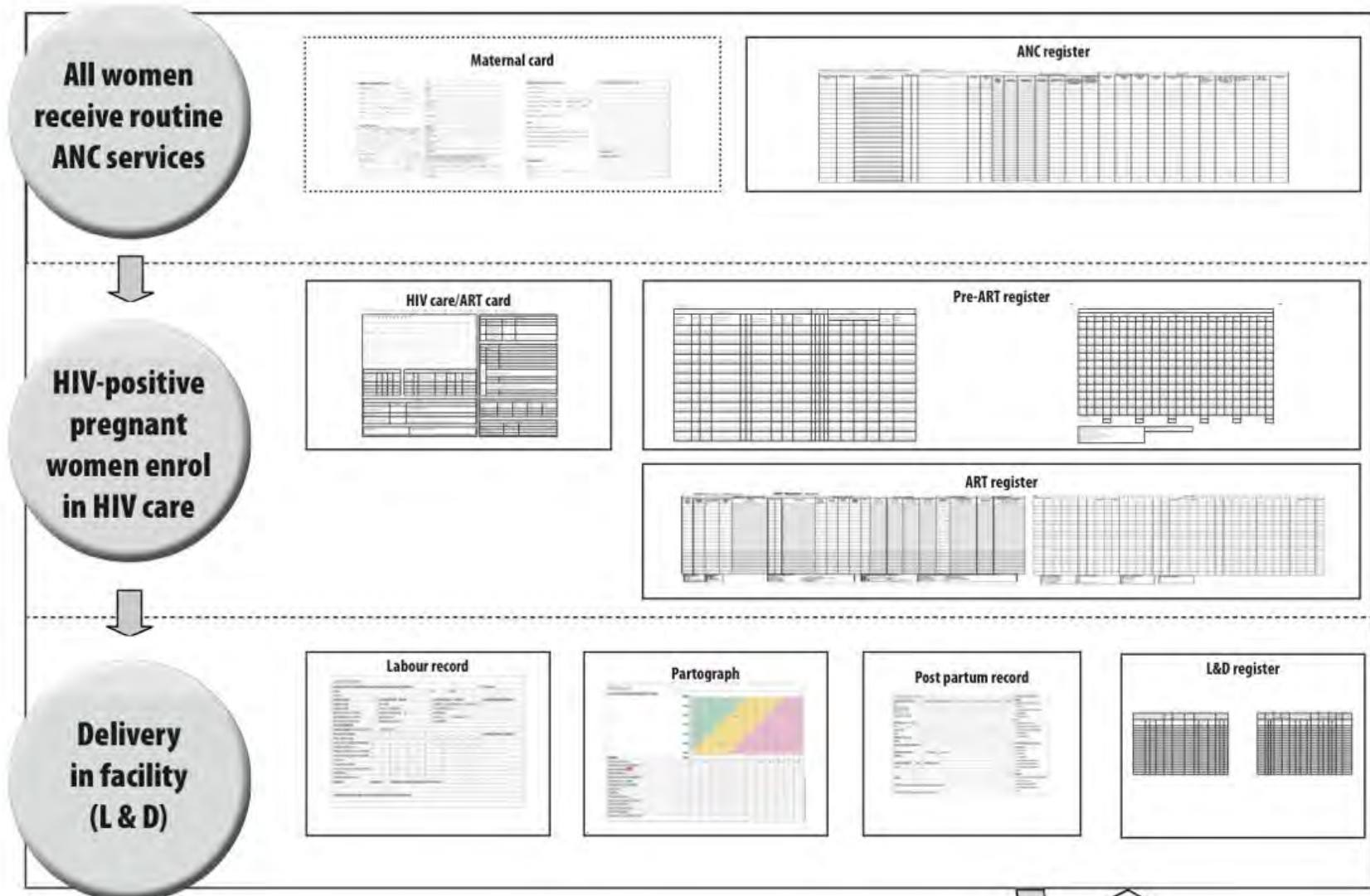
- Abortion ಗರ್ಭಪಾತ





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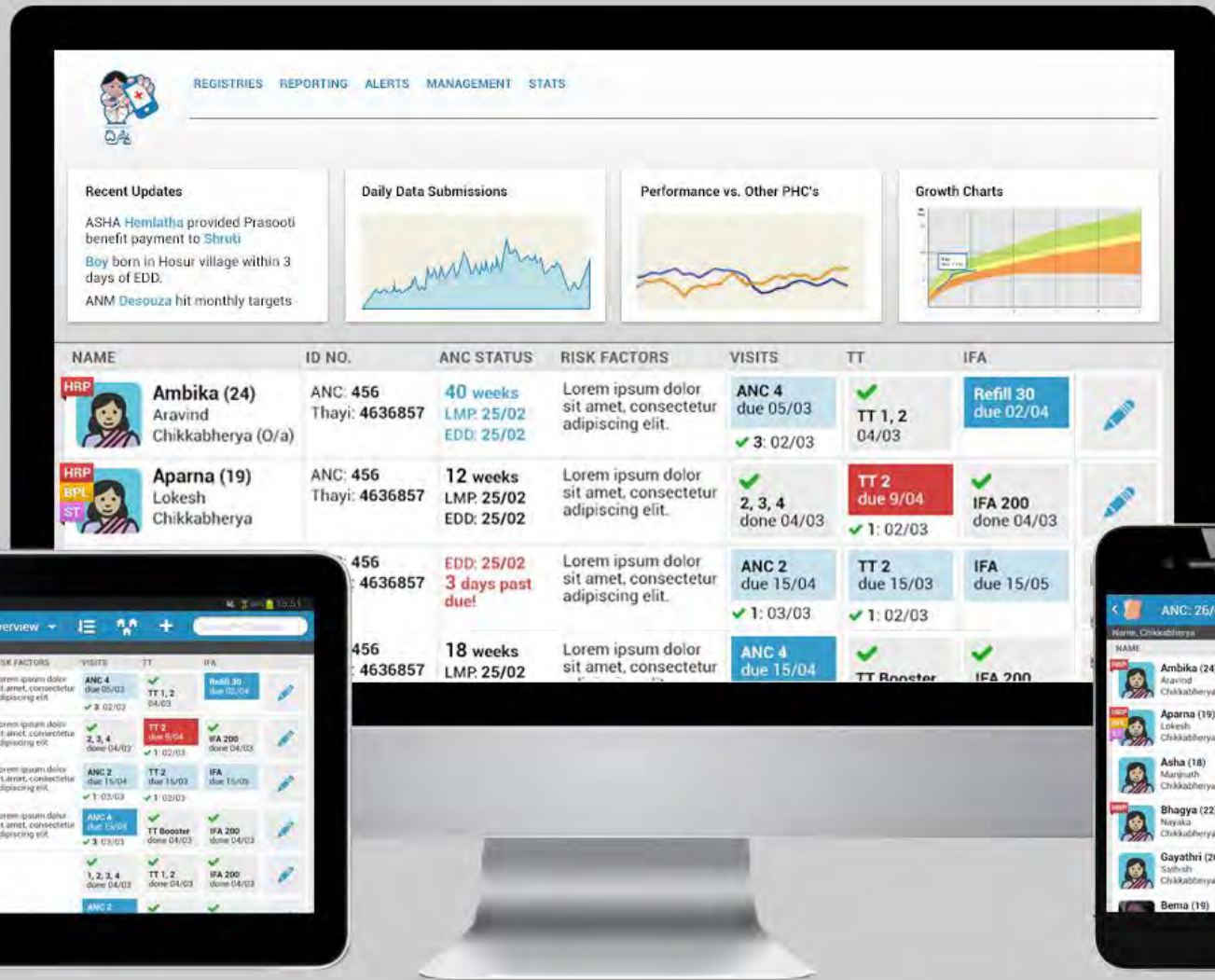
# OpenSRP Aligned with WHO Guidance on Routine Client Information Systems



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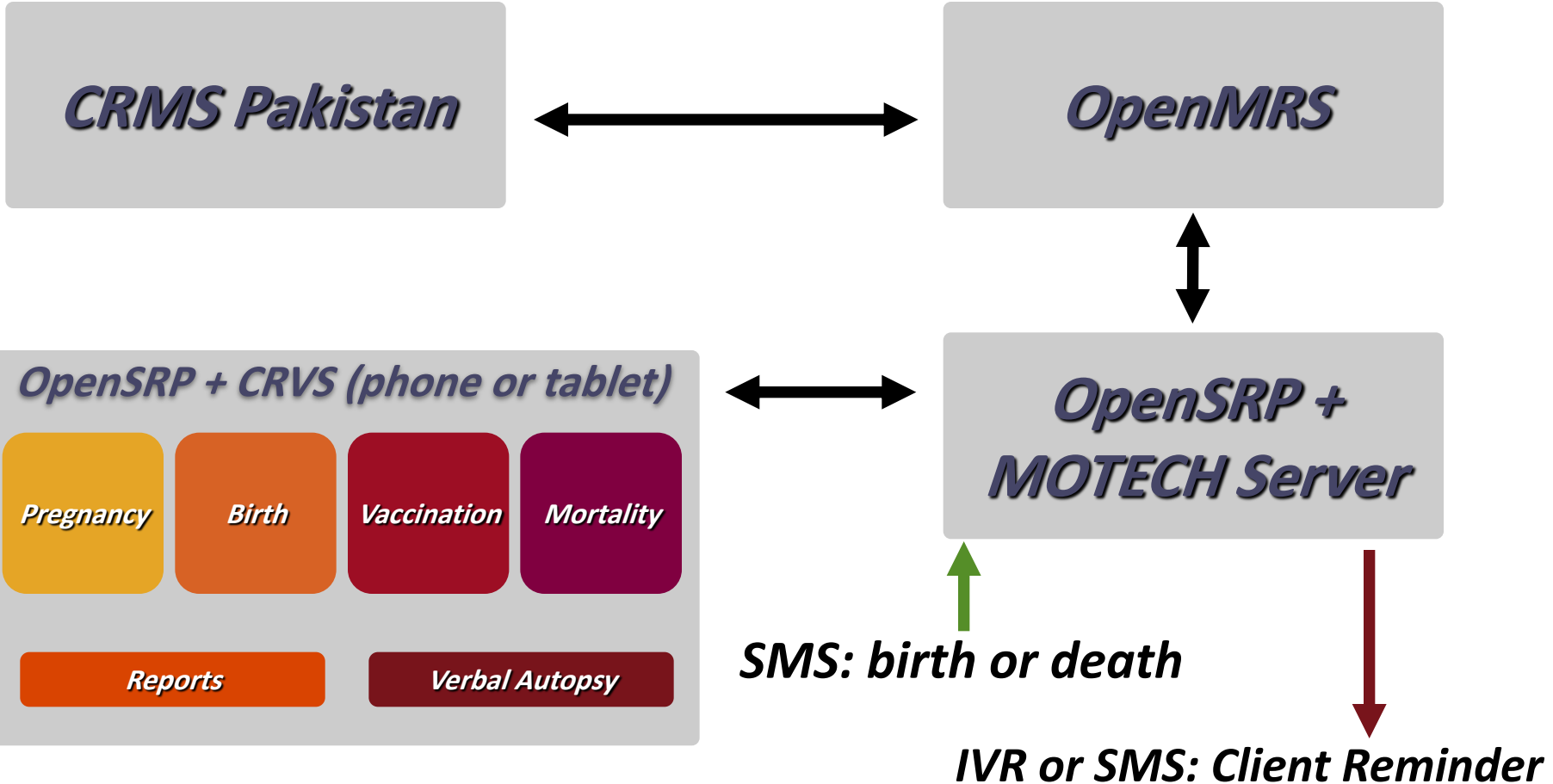
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# Common individual data-points leads to standard analytics



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# Learning by Doing: OpenSRP adaptation for Pakistan CRVS + Health demonstration



# Build, Buy or Modify?

Consider the Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) over the long-term, i.e., costs and benefits to each alternative

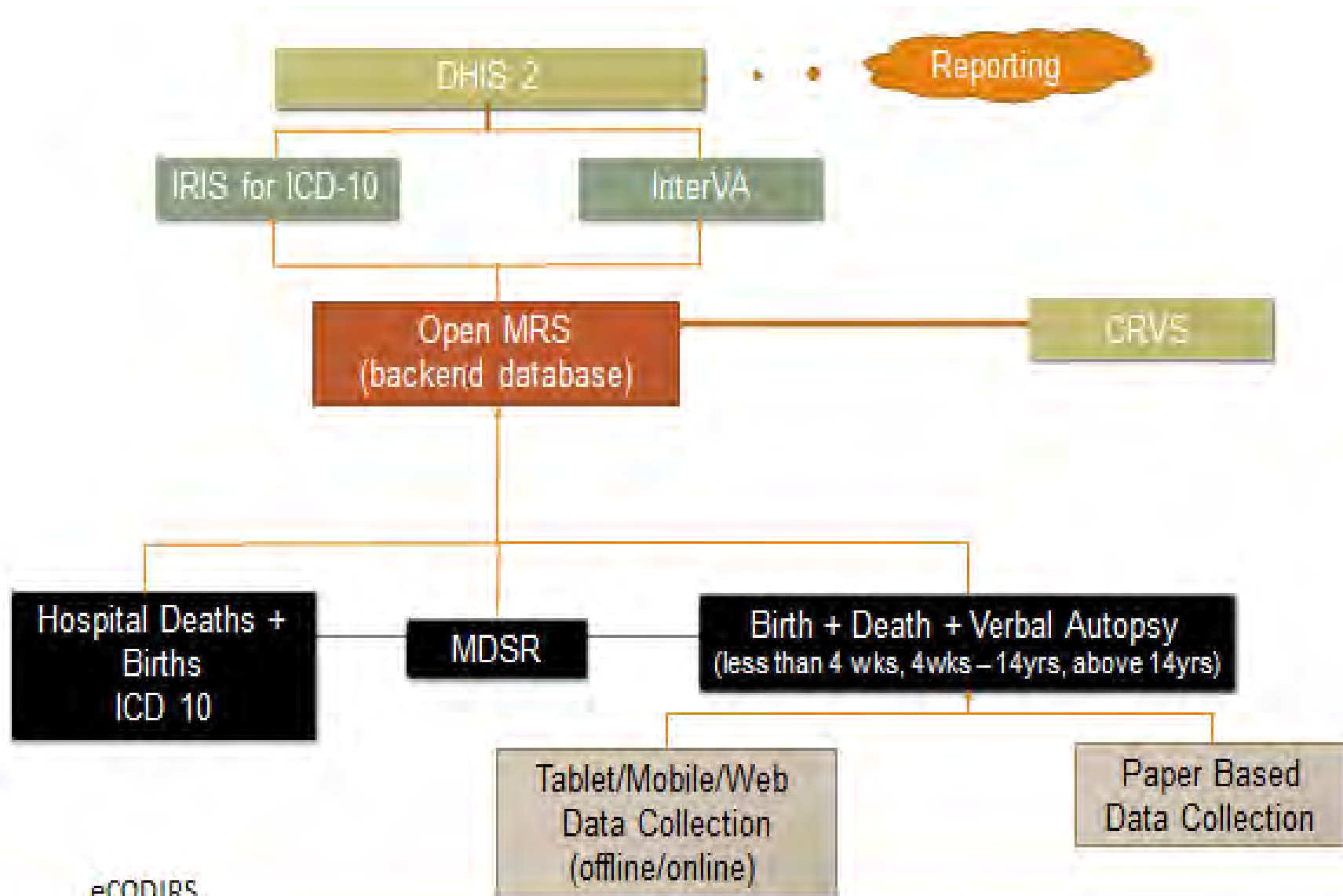
- Plan, design, **build** custom software and solutions
- **Buy** proprietary software solutions
- **Modify** existing solution(s) or tech-transfer from other context
- Other key considerations:
  - open standards compliant
  - open source vs. proprietary software solutions
  - adequate capacity for all ICT phases
  - compliance with legal requirements and national policies



# Electronic Cause of Death Integrated Reporting System (eCODIRS)

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# eCODIRS Architecture



# Systematic e/mCRVS Review and Experiences in the Region

## Systematic Review of eCRVS and mCRVS Interventions in LMICs



HISPANIA



- Health Metrics Network-commissioned study (2012)
- Majority of *ICT* interventions are related to births
- Innovations tend to be added for civil registration only, while providing vital statistics functioning through an existing data warehouse
- Link *e/mCRVS* to other systems defined within an architecture approach

- Highlights of select innovations in CRVS in Asia and the Pacific (2014)
- Tailored solutions to local contexts



# 3 Collaborative Communities of Practice



[www.phinnetwork.org](http://www.phinnetwork.org)

**Focus:** advocacy, analysis and use of reliable health information, governance, capacity building

**Membership:** HIS and eHealth professionals from 17 Pacific island countries and territories



Asia eHealth Information Network [www.aehin.org](http://www.aehin.org)

**Focus:** governance, strategies and policies, standards-based architectural approaches, capacity building

**Membership:** 500+ eHealth and HIS professionals from 25+ countries in South and Southeast Asia



Asia-Pacific Civil Registrars Network

**Focus:** Knowledge sharing and learning, peer-to-peer technical support

**Membership:** Civil Registrar professionals from across Asia and the Pacific (50+ countries) organized into 4 sub-regions



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