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Enhancement of birth and death registration
through the improvement of CRVS system
monitoring in Bangladesh

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Introduction



Bangladesh aims to achieve 100% birth and 50% death registration within one year of occurrence by the end of the Asia Pacific CRVS decade, 2024.

To achieve this, Bangladesh has:

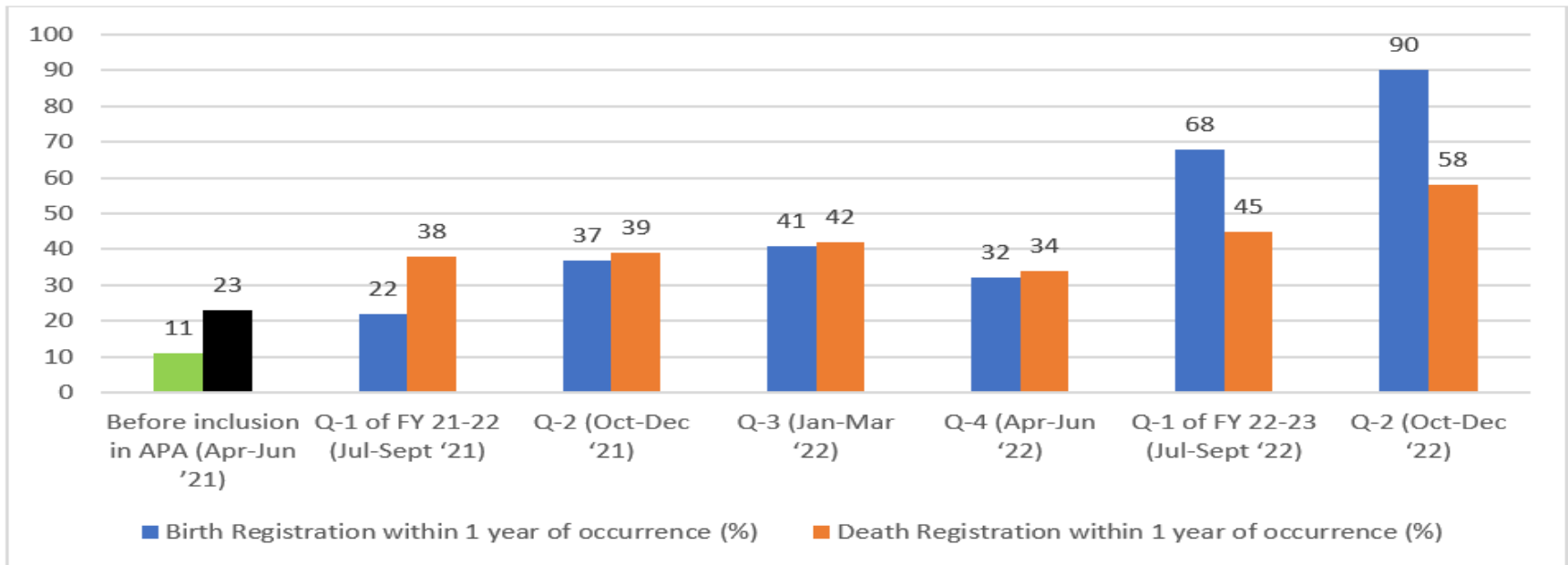
- ◆ Established the Office of the Registrar General
- ◆ Is establishing a pro-active civil registration system that engages community-based agents
- ◆ Established governance and coordination mechanisms
- ◆ Include civil registration in the government's Annual Performance Agreement (APA) of relevant officials with routine performance monitoring against specific targets

Methods

- ◆ APA based monitoring system was rolled-out together with seminars on birth and death registration in all 8 Divisions
- ◆ A monitoring system to regularly track registration completeness against targets was established
- ◆ Birth and death registration completeness monitored on a monthly and quarterly basis
- ◆ Using the observed completeness, a performance ranking is calculated for all sixty-four Districts and the results disseminated

Discussion

- Substantial system changes and the strong monitoring system, are leading to remarkable improvement of civil registration completeness
- In the quarter prior to the introduction of the monitoring system, birth and death registration completeness was 11% and 23% respectively .
- After one and a half year, birth and death registration completeness reached to 90% and 58% respectively





Conclusion

- ◆ Inclusion of birth and death registration in the APA has brought civil registration to the front line of performance monitoring for local government officials
- ◆ Ranking of performance with regards to civil registration completeness, has created a healthy competition among all relevant stakeholders
- ◆ Monitoring of civil registration completeness as part of the performance assessment of government officials is positively contributing to the strengthening of CRVS systems
- ◆ Experience of using compliance measures in civil registration, may be valuable for other countries

