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Executive summary

Findings from the joint external evaluation

The report will be published online on: the ministry of health country website (www.moh.gov.countrycode); Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), World Health Organization (WHO) and World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE) websites; and OIE/Global Health Security Agenda (GHSA)/partners website (name).

<This section to be filled out by the joint external evaluation (JEE) team. Identify and record overarching issues, key findings and priority actions, key strengths and areas which need strengthening, as well as overall best practices and challenges. Include a table of the host country's scores for each indicator following the example below. Key themes, such as multisectoral engagement and level of political commitment, should be addressed. Keep this section brief but note any important highlights from the JEE tool. Maximum of four pages.>

< Host country > scores

Technical areas		Score
National legislation, policy and financing	P.1.1 Legislation, laws, regulations, administrative requirements, policies or other government instruments in place are sufficient for implementation of IHR (2005)	
	P.1.2 The State can demonstrate that it has adjusted and aligned its domestic legislation, policies and administrative arrangements to enable compliance with IHR (2005)	
IHR coordination, communication and advocacy	P.2.1 A functional mechanism is established for the coordination and integration of relevant sectors in the implementation of IHR	
	P.3.1 Antimicrobial resistance detection	
Antimicrobial resistance	P.3.2 Surveillance of infections caused by antimicrobial-resistant pathogens	
	P.3.3 Health care-associated infection (HCAI) prevention and control programmes	
	P.3.4 Antimicrobial stewardship activities	
	P.4.1 Surveillance systems in place for priority zoonotic diseases/pathogens	
Zoonotic diseases	P.4.2 Veterinary or animal health workforce	
	P.4.3 Mechanisms for responding to infectious and potential zoonotic diseases are established and functional	
Food safety	P.5.1 Mechanisms for multisectoral collaboration are established to ensure rapid response to food safety emergencies and outbreaks of foodborne diseases	
Biosafety and	P.6.1 Whole-of-government biosafety and biosecurity system is in place for human, animal and agriculture facilities	
biosecurity	P.6.2 Biosafety and biosecurity training and practices	
Immunization	P.7.1 Vaccine coverage (measles) as part of national programme	
immunization	P.7.2 National vaccine access and delivery	
	D.1.1 Laboratory testing for detection of priority diseases	
National	D.1.2 Specimen referral and transport system	
laboratory system	D.1.3 Effective modern point-of-care and laboratory-based diagnostics	
	D.1.4 Laboratory quality system	
	D.2.1 Indicator- and event-based surveillance systems	
Real-time surveillance	D.2.2 Interoperable, interconnected, electronic real-time reporting system	
3di vellidire	D.2.3 Integration and analysis of surveillance data	
	D.2.4 Syndromic surveillance systems	
Reporting	D.3.1 System for efficient reporting to FAO, OIE and WHO	
epoi tilly	D.3.2 Reporting network and protocols in country	
Workforce development	D.4.1 Human resources available to implement IHR core capacity requirements	
	D.4.2 FETP ¹ or other applied epidemiology training programme in place	
	D.4.3 Workforce strategy	

Preparedness	R.1.1 National multi-hazard public health emergency preparedness and response plan is developed and implemented	
	R.1.2 Priority public health risks and resources are mapped and utilized	
Emergency response operations	R.2.1 Capacity to activate emergency operations	
	R.2.2 EOC operating procedures and plans	
	R.2.3 Emergency operations programme	
	R.2.4 Case management procedures implemented for IHR relevant hazards.	
Linking public health and security authorities	R.3.1 Public health and security authorities (e.g. law enforcement, border control, customs) are linked during a suspect or confirmed biological event	
Medical countermeasures	R.4.1 System in place for sending and receiving medical countermeasures during a public health emergency	
and personnel deployment	R.4.2 System in place for sending and receiving health personnel during a public health emergency	
	R.5.1 Risk communication systems (plans, mechanisms, etc.)	
	R.5.2 Internal and partner communication and coordination	
Risk communication	R.5.3 Public communication	
	R.5.4 Communication engagement with affected communities	
	R.5.5 Dynamic listening and rumour management	
Points of entry	PoE.1 Routine capacities established at points of entry	
	PoE.2 Effective public health response at points of entry	
Chemical events	CE.1 Mechanisms established and functioning for detecting and responding to chemical events or emergencies	
	CE.2 Enabling environment in place for management of chemical events	
Radiation emergencies	RE.1 Mechanisms established and functioning for detecting and responding to radiological and nuclear emergencies	
	RE.2 Enabling environment in place for management of radiation emergencies	

Note on scoring of technical areas of the JEE tool

The JEE process is a peer-to-peer review and a collaborative effort between host country experts and JEE team members. In completing the self-evaluation, the first step in the JEE process, and as part of preparing for an external evaluation, host countries are asked to focus on providing information on their capabilities based on the indicators and technical questions included in the JEE tool.

The host country may score their self-evaluation or propose a score during the onsite visit with the JEE team. The entire external evaluation, including the discussions around the score, strengths/best practices, the areas which need strengthening, challenges and the priority actions, is done in a collaborative manner, with the JEE team members and host country experts seeking agreement.

Should there be significant and irreconcilable disagreement between the JEE team members and the host country experts, or among the JEE team, or among the host country experts, the JEE team lead will decide on the final score and this will be noted in the final report, along with the justification for each party's position.

¹ FETP: Field epidemiology training programme

PREVENT

NATIONAL LEGISLATION, POLICY AND FINANCING

INTRODUCTION

The International Health Regulations (IHR) (2005) provide obligations and rights for States Parties. In some States Parties, implementation of the IHR (2005) may require new or modified legislation. Even if a new or revised legislation may not be specifically required, states may still choose to revise some regulations or other instruments in order to facilitate IHR implementation and maintenance in a more effective manner. Implementing legislation could serve to institutionalize and strengthen the role of IHR (2005) and operations within the State Party. It can also facilitate coordination among the different entities involved in their implementation. See detailed guidance on IHR (2005) implementation in national legislation at http://www.who.int/ihr/legal_issues/legislation/en/index.html. In addition, policies that identify national structures and responsibilities as well as the allocation of adequate financial resources are also important.

Target

Adequate legal framework for States Parties to support and enable the implementation of all their obligations, and rights to comply with and implement the IHR (2005). New or modified legislation in some States Parties for implementation of the IHR (2005). Where new or revised legislation may not be specifically required under the State Party's legal system, States may revise some legislation, regulations or other instruments in order to facilitate their implementation and maintenance in a more efficient, effective or beneficial manner. States Parties ensure provision of adequate funding for IHR implementation through the national budget or other mechanism.

<HOST COUNTRY> LEVEL OF CAPABILITIES

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Provide a short introduction to the country's overall capabilities in this technical area here. Please include a brief description of key strengths, important lessons learned about country capacity from the evaluation process, and any best practices that could serve as a model for other Member States. Please also note areas that need strengthening and any challenges or unique circumstances that may impact the country's ability to address this capacity.

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

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IHR COORDINATION, COMMUNICATION AND ADVOCACY

INTRODUCTION

The effective implementation of the IHR requires multisectoral/multidisciplinary approaches through national partnerships for efficient and alert response systems. Coordination of nationwide resources, including the designation of a national IHR focal point, which is a national centre for IHR communications, is a key requisite for IHR implementation.

Target

Multisectoral/multidisciplinary approaches through national partnerships that allow efficient, alert and responsive systems for effective implementation of the IHR (2005). Coordinate nationwide resources, including sustainable functioning of a national IHR focal point — a national centre for IHR (2005) communications which is a key requisite for IHR (2005) implementation — that is accessible at all times. States Parties provide WHO with contact details of national IHR focal points, continuously update and annually confirm them..

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

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There is a one-hour Friday session where scores are reviewed. However, this should be considered the "last resort". This session cannot accommodate re-opening of a discussion on all the scores.

ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE

INTRODUCTION

Bacteria and other microbes evolve in response to their environment and inevitably develop mechanisms to resist being killed by antimicrobial agents. For many decades, the problem was manageable as the growth of resistance was slow and the pharmaceutical industry continued to create new antibiotics.

Over the past decade, however, this problem has become a crisis. Antimicrobial resistance is evolving at an alarming rate and is outpacing the development of new countermeasures capable of thwarting infections in humans. This situation threatens patient care, economic growth, public health, agriculture, economic security and national security.

Target

Support work coordinated by FAO, OIE and WHO to develop an integrated global package of activities to combat antimicrobial resistance, spanning human, animal, agricultural, food and environmental aspects (i.e. a One Health approach). Each country has: (i) its own national comprehensive plan to combat antimicrobial resistance; (ii) strengthened surveillance and laboratory capacity at the national and international levels following international standards developed as per the framework of the Global Action Plan; and (iii) improved conservation of existing treatments and collaboration to support the sustainable development of new antibiotics, alternative treatments, preventive measures and rapid point-of-care diagnostics, including systems to preserve new antibiotics.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

P.3.1 Antimicrobial resistance detection – Score

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P.3.4 Antimicrobial stewardship activities – Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

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ZOONOTIC DISEASES

INTRODUCTION

Zoonotic diseases are communicable diseases that can spread between animals and humans. These diseases are caused by viruses, bacteria, parasites and fungi carried by animals, insects or inanimate vectors that aid in its transmission. Approximately 75% of recently emerging infectious diseases affecting humans is of animal origin; and approximately 60% of all human pathogens are zoonotic.

Target

Measured behaviours, policies and/or practices that minimize the transmission of zoonotic diseases from animals into human populations.

<HOST COUNTRY> LEVEL OF CAPABILITIES

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

P.4.1 Surveillance systems in place for priority zoonotic diseases/pathogens – Score

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P.4.2 Veterinary or animal health workforce - Score

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P.4.3 Mechanisms for responding to infectious and potential zoonotic diseases established and functional – Score

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FOOD SAFETY

INTRODUCTION

Food- and water-borne diarrhoeal diseases are leading causes of illness and death, particularly in less developed countries. The rapid globalization of food production and trade has increased the potential likelihood of international incidents involving contaminated food. The identification of the source of an outbreak and its containment is critical for control. Risk management capacity with regard to control throughout the food chain continuum must be developed. If epidemiological analysis identifies food as the source of an event, based on a risk assessment, suitable risk management options that ensure the prevention of human cases (or further cases) need to be put in place.

Target

Surveillance and response capacity among States Parties for food- and water-borne disease risks or events by strengthening effective communication and collaboration among the sectors responsible for food safety, and safe water and sanitation..

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

P.5.1 Mechanisms for multisectoral collaboration established to ensure rapid response to food safety emergencies and outbreaks of foodborne diseases – Score

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BIOSAFETY AND BIOSECURITY

INTRODUCTION

It is vital to work with pathogens in the laboratory to ensure that the global community possesses a robust set of tools — such as drugs, diagnostics, and vaccines — to counter the ever-evolving threat of infectious diseases.

Research with infectious agents is critical for the development and availability of public health and medical tools that are needed to detect, diagnose, recognize and respond to outbreaks of infectious diseases of both natural and deliberate origin. At the same time, the expansion of infrastructure and resources dedicated to work with infectious agents have raised concerns regarding the need to ensure proper biosafety and biosecurity to protect researchers and the community. Biosecurity is important in order to secure infectious agents against those who would deliberately misuse them to harm people, animals, plants or the environment.

Target

A whole-of-government national biosafety and biosecurity system with especially dangerous pathogens identified, held, secured and monitored in a minimal number of facilities according to best practices; biological risk management training and educational outreach conducted to promote a shared culture of responsibility, reduce dual-use risks, mitigate biological proliferation and deliberate use threats, and ensure safe transfer of biological agents; and country-specific biosafety and biosecurity legislation, laboratory licensing and pathogen control measures in place as appropriate.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

P.6.1 Whole-of-government biosafety and biosecurity system in place for human, animal and agriculture facilities — Score

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P.6.2 Biosafety and biosecurity training and practices – Score

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IMMUNIZATION

INTRODUCTION

Immunizations are estimated to prevent more than two million deaths a year globally. Immunization is one of the most successful global health interventions and cost-effective ways to save lives and prevent disease.

Target

A national vaccine delivery system – with nationwide reach, effective distributions, access for marginalized populations, adequate cold chain and ongoing quality control – that is able to respond to new disease threats.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

P.7.1 Vaccine coverage (measles) as part of national programme – Score

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P.7.2 National vaccine access and delivery - Score

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DETECT

NATIONAL LABORATORY SYSTEM

INTRODUCTION

Public health laboratories provide essential services including disease and outbreak detection, emergency response, environmental monitoring and disease surveillance. State and local public health laboratories can serve as a focal point for a national system, through their core functions for human, veterinary and food safety including disease prevention, control and surveillance; integrated data management; reference and specialized testing; laboratory oversight; emergency response; public health research; training and education; and partnerships and communication.

Target

Real-time biosurveillance with a national laboratory system and effective modern point-of-care and laboratory-based diagnostics.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

D.1.1 Laboratory testing for detection of priority diseases – Score

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D.1.2 Specimen referral and transport system - Score

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D.1.3 Effective modern point-of-care and laboratory-based diagnostics – Score

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REAL-TIME SURVEILLANCE

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of real-time surveillance is to advance the safety, security and resilience of the nation by leading an integrated biosurveillance effort that facilitates early warning and situational awareness of biological events.

Target

Strengthened foundational indicator- and event-based surveillance systems that are able to detect events of significance for public health, animal health and health security; improved communication and collaboration across sectors and between sub-national (local and intermediate), national and international levels of authority regarding surveillance of events of public health significance; improved country and intermediate level regional capacity to analyse and link data from and between strengthened, real-time surveillance systems, including interoperable, interconnected electronic reporting systems. This would include epidemiologic, clinical, laboratory, environmental testing, product safety and quality and bioinformatics data; and advancement in fulfilling the core capacity requirements for surveillance in accordance with the IHR and OIE standards.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

D.2.1 Indicator- and event-based surveillance systems – Score

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D.2.2 Interoperable, interconnected, electronic real-time reporting system – Score

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D.2.3 Integration and analysis of surveillance data - Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

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REPORTING

INTRODUCTION

Health threats at the human—animal—ecosystem interface have increased over the past decades, as pathogens continue to evolve and adapt to new hosts and environments, imposing a burden on human and animal health systems. Collaborative multidisciplinary reporting on the health of humans, animals and ecosystems reduces the risk of diseases at the interfaces between them.

Target

Timely and accurate disease reporting according to WHO requirements and consistent coordination with FAO and OIF.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

D.3.1 System for efficient reporting to FAO, OIE and WHO - Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

INTRODUCTION

Workforce development is important in order to develop a sustainable public health system over time by developing and maintaining a highly qualified public health workforce with appropriate technical training, scientific skills and subject-matter expertise.

Target

States Parties with skilled and competent health personnel for sustainable and functional public health surveillance and response at all levels of the health system and the effective implementation of the IHR (2005).

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

D.4.1 Human resources available to implement IHR core capacity requirements – Score

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D.4.2 FETP or other applied epidemiology training programme in place – Score

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D.4.3 Workforce strategy - Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

RESPOND

PREPAREDNESS

INTRODUCTION

The effective implementation of the IHR (2005) requires multisectoral/multidisciplinary approaches through national partnerships for effective alert and response systems. Coordination of nationwide resources, including the sustainable functioning of a national IHR focal point, which is a national centre for IHR (2005) communications, is a key requisite for IHR (2005) implementation. The national IHR focal points should be accessible at all times to communicate with the WHO IHR regional contact points and with all relevant sectors and other stakeholders in the country. States Parties should provide WHO with contact details of national IHR focal points, continuously update and annually confirm them.

Target

Development and maintenance of national, intermediate (district) and local/primary level public health emergency response plans for relevant biological, chemical, radiological and nuclear hazards. This covers mapping of potential hazards, identification and maintenance of available resources, including national stockpiles and the capacity to support operations at the intermediate and local/primary levels during a public health emergency.

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

EMERGENCY RESPONSE OPERATIONS

INTRODUCTION

A public health emergency operations centre is a central location for coordinating operational information and resources for strategic management of public health emergencies and emergency exercises. Emergency operations centres provide communication and information tools and services, and a management system during a response to an emergency or emergency exercise. They also provide other essential functions to support decision-making and implementation, coordination and collaboration.

Target

Country with public health emergency operations centre (EOC) functioning according to minimum common standards; maintaining trained, functioning, multisectoral rapid response teams and "real-time" biosurveillance laboratory networks and information systems; as well as trained EOC staff capable of activating a coordinated emergency response within 120 minutes of the identification of a public health emergency.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

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R.2.4 Case management procedures implemented for IHR relevant hazards - Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

LINKING PUBLIC HEALTH AND SECURITY AUTHORITIES

INTRODUCTION

Public health emergencies pose special challenges for law enforcement, whether the threat is manmade (e.g. the anthrax terrorist attacks) or naturally occurring (e.g. flu pandemics). In a public health emergency, law enforcement will need to quickly coordinate its response with public health and medical officials.

Target

Country conducts a rapid, multisectoral response in case of a biological event of suspected or confirmed deliberate origin, including the capacity to link public health and law enforcement, and to provide and/or request effective and timely international assistance, such as to investigate alleged use events.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

R.3.1 Public health and security authorities (e.g. law enforcement, border control, customs) linked during a suspect or confirmed biological event – Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

MEDICAL COUNTERMEASURES AND PERSONNEL DEPLOYMENT

INTRODUCTION

Medical countermeasures are vital to national security and protect nations from potentially catastrophic infectious disease threats. Investments in medical countermeasures create opportunities to improve overall public health. In addition, it is important to have trained personnel who can be deployed in case of a public health emergency for response.

Target

National framework for transferring (sending and receiving) medical countermeasures, and public health and medical personnel from international partners during public health emergencies.

<HOST COUNTRY> LEVEL OF CAPABILITIES

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

R.4.1 System in place for sending and receiving medical countermeasures during a public health emergency – Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

RISK COMMUNICATION

INTRODUCTION

Risk communications should be a multilevel and multifaceted process which aims at helping stakeholders define risks, identify hazards, assess vulnerabilities and promote community resilience, thereby promoting the capacity to cope with an unfolding public health emergency. An essential part of risk communication is the dissemination of information to the public about health risks and events, such as disease outbreaks. For any communication about risk caused by a specific event to be effective, the social, religious, cultural, political and economic aspects associated with the event should be taken into account, including the voice of the affected population.

Communications of this kind promote the establishment of appropriate prevention and control action through community-based interventions at individual, family and community levels. Disseminating the information through appropriate channels is essential. Communication partners and stakeholders in the country need to be identified, and functional coordination and communication mechanisms should be established. In addition, the timely release of information and transparency in decision-making are essential for building trust between authorities, populations and partners. Emergency communications plans should be tested and updated as needed.

Target

State Parties use multilevel and multifaceted risk communication capacity. Real-time exchange of information, advice and opinions between experts and officials or people who face a threat or hazard (health or economic or social wellbeing) to their survival, so that informed decisions can be made to mitigate the effects of the threat or hazard and protective and preventive action can be taken. This includes a mix of communication and engagement strategies, such as media and social media communications, mass awareness campaigns, health promotion, social mobilization, stakeholder engagement and community engagement.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

R.5.1 Risk communication systems (plans, mechanisms, etc.) – Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

OTHER IHR-RELATED HAZARDS AND POINTS OF ENTRY

POINTS OF ENTRY

INTRODUCTION

All core capacities and potential hazards apply to "points of entry" and thus enable the effective application of health measures to prevent international spread of diseases. States Parties are required to maintain core capacities at designated international airports and ports (and where justified for public health reasons, a State Party may designate ground crossings), which will implement specific public health measures required to manage a variety of public health risks.

Target

States Parties designate and maintain core capacities at international airports and ports (and where justified for public health reasons, a State Party may designate ground crossings) that implement specific public health measures required to manage a variety of public health risks.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

PoE.1 Routine capacities established at points of entry – Score

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

CHEMICAL EVENTS

INTRODUCTION

Timely detection and effective response of potential chemical risks and/or events require collaboration with other sectors responsible for chemical safety, industries, transportation and safe disposal. This would entail that State Parties need to have surveillance and response capacity to manage chemical risk or events and effective communication and collaboration among the sectors responsible for safety.

Target

States Parties with surveillance and response capacity for chemical risks or events. This requires effective communication and collaboration among the sectors responsible for chemical safety, industries, transportation and safe disposal.

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INDICATORS AND SCORES

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RELEVANT DOCUMENTATION

RADIATION EMERGENCIES

INTRODUCTION

To counter radiological and nuclear emergencies, timely detection and an effective response towards potential radiological and nuclear hazards/events/emergencies are required in collaboration with sectors responsible for radiation emergency management.

Target

States Parties with surveillance and response capacity for radiological and nuclear hazards/events/ emergencies. This requires effective communication and collaboration among the sectors responsible for radiological and nuclear emergency management.

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Appendix 1: JEE background

MISSION PLACE AND DATES

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City, Country; 15 to 19 June, 2015

MISSION TEAM MEMBERS:

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- Name of the person, country, affiliation (team lead)
- Name of the person, country, affiliation (team co-lead)
- Name of the person, country, affiliation

e.g. Mr John Sharma, Country X, Ministry of Health

OBJECTIVE

To assess (host country's) capacities and capabilities relevant to the 19 technical areas of the JEE tool for providing baseline data to support (host country's) efforts to reform and improve their public health security.

The JEE process

The JEE process is a peer-to-peer review. The entire external evaluation, including discussions around the scores, the strengths, the areas that need strengthening, best practices, challenges and the priority actions should be collaborative, with JEE team members and host country experts seeking full agreement on all aspects of the final report findings and recommendations.

Should there be significant and irreconcilable disagreement between the external team members and the host country experts, or among the external, or among the host country experts, the JEE team lead will decide the outcome; this will be noted in the final report along with the justification for each party's position.

PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MISSION

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 Prior to the visit, teleconferences were held weekly with assessment team members and the host country on XX date to review the agenda, responsibilities and logistics.

LIMITATIONS AND ASSUMPTIONS

- The evaluation was limited to one week, which limited the amount and depth of information that could be managed.
- It is assumed that the results of this evaluation will be publically available.

The evaluation is not just an audit. Information provided by <host country> will not be independently verified but will be discussed and the evaluation rating mutually agreed to by the host country and the evaluation team. This is a peer-to-peer review.

KEY HOST COUNTRY PARTICIPANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

Example:

Country Y lead representative:

Dr John Hussain, Deputy Minister of Health, Ministry of Health, Country Y

Participating institutions:

Country Y Ministry of Health Public Health Department

Country Y State Sanitary Epidemiology Service

Country Y State Medical Department

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED BY HOST COUNTRY

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