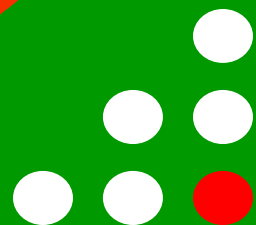


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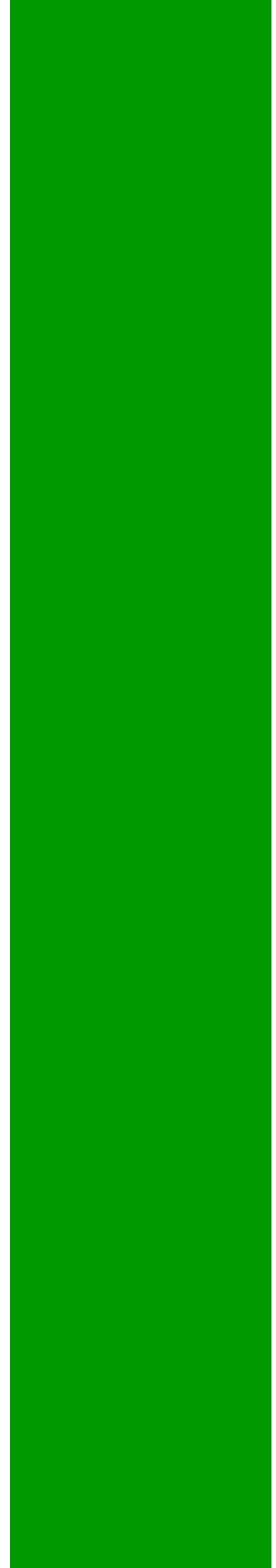




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Background

Every 24th of March, the world commemorates World Tuberculosis Day. “TB anywhere is TB everywhere” was chosen as this year’s theme to remind us that the disease affects everybody and is everybody’s responsibility.

TB control is still a challenge which can only be tackled effectively if everyone—the government, donors, stakeholders, and community at large—work together, hand in hand, to fight the disease.

Indonesia’s success in reaching the global targets in TB control is the result of a collective effort. Currently, the Case Detection Rate (CDR) has reached 89.7%, higher than the global target of 85%. The Cure Rate (CR) has also reached over the global target of 70% at 72%.

However, the success does not mean that TB is no longer a health threat. Indonesia is still facing a lot of challenges in TB control including the low level of community awareness, the limited TB-related information, as well as high quality of TB health services. These are only a few of Indonesia’s challenges that need our full attention.



The World TB Day is a great momentum to raise awareness on the disease as well as attract more community involvement. It is also a good time for the government to renew the commitment to fight the deadly disease in Indonesia. Every stakeholders are reminded again that their contributions are needed to make sure TB can no longer be a threat to the people of Indonesia.

Various activities—seminars, music events, public dialogues, trainings, and media briefings were held to get the TB messages across. All those activities were conducted with the hope that TB will get our full attention.

Everybody's involvement and participation is the key to the success of any TB control program. Therefore, who ever you are and wherever, let's care about TB because TB anywhere is TB everywhere!



Main Event

World Tuberculosis Day

Makassar, March 22—25, 2007

This year, University of Hassanuddin became the host of Indonesia's commemoration of World Tuberculosis Day. Various activities were held in Makassar to raise the profile of this disease nationally.

The chain of events started with a One-Day Seminar on Tuberculosis for Potential Groups to raise awareness and involvement from the community and stakeholders in the fight against TB.

The seminar was held on March 21, 2007 at Baruga Sangiaseri Makassar, which featured facilitators from South Sulawesi's Health Office, Faculty of Medicine—Hassanuddin University, as well as various NGOs working in the field of tuberculosis such as PPTI, YSA Foundation and South Sulawesi's Women's Group

The seminar was a collaboration between Makassar's Environmental Health and Disease Control Center (BTKLPPM), South Sulawesi's Women's Association, South Sulawesi's Women's Group as well as the Faculty of Medicine— Hassanuddin University and was attended by 180 participants from 23 districts/cities in South Sulawesi.



TB Control Seminar



The main event was held at Baruga A.P. Pettarani Hassanuddin University on March 24, 2007. In his speech, Drs. Amiruddin Maula, Second Assistant of the Governor of South Sulawesi said, “The government of South Sulawesi is asking the community to collectively come up with the best solution to decrease the prevalence of TB.”

This call of action was immediately answered with the establishment of Care for TB Student Forum which was launched by Head of the Directorate General of Community Services—Ministry of Health, dr. Farid Ihsan. In addition, Drs. Amiruddin Maula also gave certificate of appreciation to the Mayor of Makassar for his support in TB programs. TB program manager in Makassar also received acknowledgement for his extraordinary work from Head of Directorate General of Community Services.

At the same event, the Mayor of Makassar gave certificates of appreciation to TB ex-patients who were actively advocating for TB control, as well as to the health cadres.

To commemorate World TB Day 2007, two special stamps were launched on the day. Exhibitions by various organizations from many districts in South Sulawesi were also showcased at the event to give the latest information on TB achievements.



“World TB Day 2007” Stamps

On March 25, 2007, a walkathon was held in Makassar. The walkathon started with warming up session in front of the Mayor’s office. Participants walked from the Mayor’s office to Losari Beach and welcomed by the music event.



TB Music Events

Jakarta—Medan—Kupang—Makassar

March 24 - 25, 2007

Health messages do not always have to be conveyed in a serious manner. The community tends to prefer health messages which were presented in an entertaining way. Therefore, the National TB Program—Ministry of Health working together with several well-known radio stations in Jakarta, Medan, Kupang and Makassar, held music events to spread the word on TB to the community.

Yoana Anandita, SKM from the National TB Program explained, “The events were held as forms of socialization about TB directly to the people. The main objective is to raise awareness about TB’s symptoms amongst families, friends, and the communities.” This is in accordance with this year’s World TB Day theme, TB anywhere is TB everywhere.

Jakarta, March 24, 2007

A crowd of around 5000 people attended the “Dangdut TB” Music Event at Rawa Bunga field in East Jakarta. The event, hosted by MC Gilar, entertained the people with popular “dangdut” songs and gave out doorprizes. The concept and theme of the show were in line with the national TB campaign: “**3B, Bukan Batuk Biasa**” (**not a common cough**). The abbreviation was aimed at making the main symptom of TB (continuous coughing with sputum for two weeks or more) easier to remember.



Health education on tuberculosis was held in the middle of the music show. Audience were listening enthusiastically to the information conveyed by dr. Yasmi. “If you have a child with TB, you must find the source of infection,” urged dr. Yasmi. She asked the community to take their family members to health centers if they are showing symptoms of TB.



Interactive health education on tuberculosis by dr. Yasmi
at the music event in Jakarta

Medan, March 24, 2007

“Dangdutan TB” was held at Tanah 600 Marelan field. The event, which featured a famous “dangdut” singer, Adi KDI, was supported by North Sumatera Health Office, North Sumatera Pulmonology Association, as well as the Medan’s Family Planning Association, Coalition for Healthy Indonesia, Health Corps of the Indonesian Army—Medan Chapter, Community Health Network, and PHPB North Sumatera.

The people of Medan enthusiastically participate at the music event and also listened to the health information and interactive Q&A session on TB which was given by the Head of Medan Health Office.





In the surrounding area, exhibitions were held by various organization, complimented by free lung examination service organized by Faculty of Medicine—University of North Sumatera, North Sumatera Pulmonology Association, and the local Health Offices

Free lung examination in Medan

Kupang, March 24, 2007

A famous local band, Cendana, band and dance group from High School 2, traditional dances and “sasando” (traditional music instrument from Nusa Tenggara) show were featured at the music event in Kupang to commemorate World TB Day 2007. Health education session on TB was given in the middle of the shows by dr. Yusi, Head of the Kupang Health Center, and dr. Paulus.

The event, held at El Tari building, was attended by Third Assistant for Health - of the Governor of East Nusa Tenggara, Chief of local Army, Chief of the local Navy, Vice Heads of East Nusa Tenggara and Kupang Health Offices.

After the health education session, the audience participated in an interactive quiz to test their level of knowledge. The audience were asked to answer questions on TB and were given prizes when they could answer correctly.

Since the audience were very enthusiastic, the event, which was supposed to end at 4 pm, was extended for an hour.



Cendana Band entertained Kupang





The people of Makassar danced to the music during the TB Music Event at Losari Beach

Makassar, March 25, 2007

To compliment the Walkathon organized by University of Hassanudin, a TB Dangdut Show was held at Losari Beach. Around 2000 participants was entertained by Trio Das, a local "dangdut" band.

The TB Dangdut Show welcomed the participants of the Walkathon who had successfully completed the trail around Makassar. The show was attended by the Governor of South Sulawesi, the Mayor of Makassar, representatives from the National TB Program, representatives from WHO, Head of the South Sulawesi Provincial Health Office, and the Head of Makassar Health Office.

The event became merrier when doorprizes were handed out lucky Walkathon participants. The doorprizes were handed over by the Mayor of Makassar.



AKMS TB Seminar

(Advocacy, Communication, and Social Mobilization)

Jakarta, March 13, 2007

Coalition for Healthy Indonesia (KuSI) organized a seminar on Advocacy, Communication, and Social Mobilization for TB as one of the efforts to facilitate a meeting between stakeholders who were actively implementing TB ACSM programs. The seminar was attended various organizations and individuals, including the government entities, parliament members, religious groups, community groups, professional associations, NGOs, academicians, United Nations organizations, other international organizations, the media, as well as the general community.

In her speech, the Head of the Executive Board of KuSI, dr. Firman Lubis, conveyed his hope that each participant would be able to learn from the current TB control efforts, as well as share their own field experience on the subject.

Head of the National TB Program, Ministry of Health, dr. Carmelia Basri, MEpid in her presentation, entitled “NTP’s current achievement and lesson learned from TB ACSM Programs in Indonesia”, explained the phases of TB control programs in Indonesia and their challenges, especially regarding the lack of skilled human resources in the eastern part of Indonesia.



Group discussion



Dr. Nadia Wiweko, Head of the TB Standardization and Partnerships—Ministry of Health, said that despite major achievements in Case Detection Rates and Cure Rate in TB control, the results were not distributed evenly in all areas of Indonesia.

At the same event, Executive Director of KulS, Nurhanita presented the lesson learned from the TB ACSM program implemented by KulS and its partners in 15 districts/cities.



Dr. Carmelia Basri, MEpid presented “NTP’s current achievement and lesson learned from TB ACSM Programs in Indonesia”

According to Nurhanita, the support for local partners and various community components were essential factors in securing the program’s success. At the end of her presentation, Nurhanita listed several challenges which still needed to be solved such as continuous political commitments, efforts to ease geographical challenges, social economy and cultural hindrance as well as maintenance of cadres’ motivation.

Various group discussions were also held at the seminar.



Excerpts from Coalition for Healthy Indonesia’s Report

Seminar

Potential Collaboration on TB-HIV Control

Jakarta, March 14-15, 2007

Indonesia's efforts to fulfill the global commitment of Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) are still hindered by many challenges. Until the year 2006, various health problems were still not being handled effectively, and recently, the most prominent one is TB-HIV/AIDS.

Indonesia's experiences showed that many people living with HIV/AIDS died because of TB infection. The effort to control the mortality rate due to this co-infection has been intensified, especially because the medication is currently available in Indonesia.

Based on the need to optimized synergy between TB programs and HIV/AIDS programs, Coalition for Healthy Indonesia (KulS) organized a two-day seminar to facilitate a meeting between stakeholders, provide a place for sharing and exchanging information, as well as build a collective commitment to control TB and HIV/AIDS in Indonesia.



The seminar, which was held on March 14-15, 2007 in Jakarta, was attended by 59 participants from various organizations with resource persons from the National TB Program, the National AIDS Program, National Committee on AIDS Control, Gerdunas TB Expert Committee and KulS sharing many information on the latest condition of TB-HIV in Indonesia.

In his written speech, the Director of Disease Control and Environmental Health said that a Working Group on TB-HIV had been formed at the national level to facilitate cooperation and coordina-



Handoko from REMDEC moderated the discussion with Sri Kusyuniati (KPAN), dr. Irawan (Subdit AIDS) and dr. Luki (NTP) as resource-persons.

Working Group already published a “Guideline for TB Prevention and Medication for people with TB-HIV” which was distributed to six provinces with the highest burdens. He also mentioned that a TB-HIV network is currently tested at health centers in Kampung Bali and Tebet, in the hopes that it would be implemented at the national level soon. Dr. Irawan Kosasih, MPH from the National AIDS Program—Ministry of Health said that TB-HIV control needed support from everyone, due to the magnitude of the problem.



“Bikes Against TB!”

Serpong, March 31, 2007

To commemorate the World TB Day, “Layanan Kesehatan Cuma-Cuma” (LKC—Free Health Services), a wing of Dompot Dhuafa—a charity organization—organized a sports event “Bikes Against TB: towards a productive and free-TB Indonesia” on March 31, 2007. The event, which was held at Golden Boulevard, BSD City—Serpong, was attended by A.M. Fatwa (Vice Chairperson of Indonesia’s House of Representatives), and representatives from Banten’s Provincial Health Office.

Approximately 600 people participated at the event to show their support towards TB control programs in Indonesia, especially in Tangerang. At the same event, Care for TB Community was also declared. The declaration included statements that the community was aware of TB as a health problem which caused social and economic damage and therefore active community participation is compulsory

Participants biked around 20 kilometres in about one hour, starting from Golden Boulevard, Tekno Park and back. In addition to biking, the participants were entertained with drumband, traditional islamic songs, and choir performance from Al Azhar School BSD. The event was supported by private sector partners such as BSD City, Polygon, and other sponsors.



Declaration of the “Care for TB Community”



In addition to “Bikes Against TB” event, LKC also conducted various trainings for PMOs (treatment observers) as well as workshops on TB. The PMO training was implemented as the start of the chain of events to commemorate World TB Day and was attended by all health cadres in Tangerang and Bekasi (both at the city and district level).



“Bikes Against TB” drew various participants.

The TB workshop was conducted for Dompot Dhuafa network. The aim of the event was to identify potential collaborative activities for various organizations linked with Dompot Dhuafa to tackle TB together. The organizations linked to Dompot Dhuafa were working in various fields, and therefore could also be potential partners in the fight against TB.



Excerpts from LKC's Report

TB Advocacy

Public Dialogues, Seminars, and Field Visits

Jakarta—Surabaya—Lampung—Asahan—Makassar

Socialization of TB IEC Materials

Jakarta, March 23, 2007

Socialization of TB IEC Materials Event was held at the Jakarta Provincial Health Office. The event was attended by representatives from all Health Centers in Jakarta, representatives from several hospitals, treatment observers (PMOs), ex-TB patients, various NGOs and the media. Socialization as well as the launch of TB IEC materials were aimed at informing the public that TB IEC materials were becoming available in many health services units starting from March 2007.

In his speech, Vice Head of Jakarta's Provincial Health Office, Salimar Salim said that many of the 250 thousand people with TB were in productive age, which prompted the Government of DKI Jakarta to declare "war" against TB. A symbolic hand-over ceremony of the IEC materials was then carried out between Surjana, representative of the National TB Program to representatives from health centers and NGOs.

Representatives of treatment observers (PMOs) as well as ex-patients were then invited to share their experiences in completing treatment and achieving recovery.



Handover of the TB IEC materials by NTP



Seminar and Socialization of TB Control Programs

Surabaya, March 21-22, 2007

In line with this year's theme, TB anywhere is TB everywhere, Family Planning Association (PKBI) East Java in cooperation with East Java Provincial Health Office and Coalition for Healthy Indonesia (KulS) held a one-day seminar on TB Control. The seminar, which was held on March 22, 2007 was aimed at facilitating a meeting between stakeholders to identify on-going TB programs by the government and other non-government entities, as well as building a collective commitment towards fighting the disease.

Prior to the seminar, a socialization session was held at Wonokusumo Health Center in Surabaya. A hand-over ceremony of the TB IEC materials was carried out between Adhan Jumadi, SKM, the TB Program Manager from East Java Provincial Health Office to representatives of health centers, health cadres, and NGOs.



Handover of the TB IEC materials at Wonokusumo Health Center

Maryam, an ex-TB patient was invited to share her experience during her treatment at Wonokusumo Health Center. "Before undergoing treatment, I couldn't work at all. I couldn't even lift a pail," she explained. She hoped that more socialization sessions on TB could be conducted in her area, so more people could understand the disease and its treatment.





Public Dialogue on TB Control

Lampung, March 22, 2007

Every five minutes, one person dies of TB in Indonesia. This is far more alarming than the numbers of bird flu victims which currently being tackled very intensively by the government. This fact was conveyed by Zakaria Anwar, head of the Coalition for Health Lampung (KuLSS) in the Public Dialogue on TB Control which was held in cooperation with Coalition for Healthy Indonesia and South Lampung Government to commemorate the World TB Day.

At the event, Drs. Tamsyiri MM, Second Assistant (Economy and Development) of South Lampung's Head of District, said that he and the local government would give the community, especially TB patients, free medication at health centers in Lampung area.

Head of the local House of Representatives, Sumadi S.Sos, explained that if the local government submitted local regulations to control TB, then the House of Representatives would give their support for the benefit of the community. He also mentioned in discussion to allocate budget at the regional level, the House of Representatives would prioritize health budgets, including TB control budget.

The commitment to fight TB had improved in line with the 400% increase of budget, compared to last year's budget, which reached 219 million rupiah this year. "We are targeting 2010 to be the TB-free year in South Lampung," said Marsono, SKM, M.Kes the TB program manager in South Lampung.

In addition to the Public Dialogue, KuLSS also conducted "sympathy campaign" on March 24, 2007. The event included distribution of flyers and stickers to passing cars as well as putting banners at many strategic locations surrounding Bakauheni Port in South Lampung.



World TB Day Commemoration

Asahan, February—March 2007

The TB campaign at district level was conducted by 24 health centers since February 2007. The campaign, which featured local TB ambassador, H. Humaidy Syamsuri Pane, disseminated information on symptoms of TB, its treatment and free TB medication. The event was funded by PHP (managed by Asahan's District Health Office).

On March 22, 2007, the Asahan District World TB Day Committee (HTBS) - which included Master Foundation, The National Nurse Association—Asahan Chapter, Family Planning Association (PKBI—Asahan), and Coalition for Asahan Sehat, sought a meeting with Asahan's House of Representatives. As the result of the meeting, Head of D Commission gave support for the implementation of World TB Day activities, as well as gave commitment to allocate TB control funding in the regional budget of Asahan District. For the 2007 budget, the local government of Asahan already allocated 150 million rupiah which was stated in ratified budget.



Participants of the Walkathon rested while listening to health education

The day after, HTBS also conducted a visit to the office of Asahan's Head of District, and was received by the Second Assistant. The local government of Asahan pledged their support for TB control program in the area.



As the main event of World TB Day commemoration, HTBS Committee held a Walkathon on March 25, 2007. The walkathon was also complimented with various activities such as TB campaign by the TB ambassador, music show and the opening of information post for TB. The event took place at Mutiara Kisaran Stadium's parking lot and was attended by approximately 3000 people including TB cadres from 10 districts, representatives from local schools, universities and academies, midwives, doctors, nurses, journalists, and the community of Kisaran. Also attending the event were Commission D of the House of Representatives, Head of Asahan District Health Office, Head of Asahan Planning Agency and the Asahan Head of Family Development Office.

The World TB Day event in Asahan also received supports from the private sectors such as PT Jamsostek—Kisaran, PT Askes—Tanjung Balai, and PT Bakrie—Kisaran.



Walkathon to commemorate World TB Day at Asahan District



Advocacy Activities to Commemorate World TB Day

Makassar, March 15-22, 2007

World TB Day is the perfect time to raise awareness in the community and remind the stakeholders about TB control. Therefore, the Family Planning Association (PKBI) South Sulawesi worked together with Coalition for Healthy Indonesia in facilitating various advocacy, communication, and social mobilization (ACSM) activities.

The chain of ACSM activities started with a press conference which was conducted on March 15, 2007, which featured A. Iskandar Harun (TB Advocacy Program Coordinator from PKBI) as a resource person. A. Iskandar Harun conveyed a lot of information regarding the current TB situation in Makassar. In addition to the press conference, a field visit and public dialogue were carried on March 20, 2007 to raise awareness and disseminate information on TB to the community.



The Mayor of Makassar conducted public dialogue after a site visit with the Head of Municipality, Head of D Commission—Regional House of Representatives, KuIS dan Head of Makassar's Health Office



As resource persons at the public dialogue, Mayor of Makassar, Ir. H. Ilham Arif Sirajuddin, Head of D Commission from the Regional House of Representatives, Nasran Mone, S.Ag, and Head of Makassar's Health Office, dr. Naisyah T. Azikin, M.Kes were present. The field visit and public dialogue were attended by approximately 135 participants from various organizations. A hand-over ceremony of the IEC materials was conducted between the Mayor of Makassar to representatives from health centers and other NGOs. The Mayor hoped that by making the IEC materials available at health centers, the community would have better information about the availability of treatment for TB and the provision of TB drugs at health centers in Makassar area.

To conclude the advocacy activities, on March 22, 2007 a one-day seminar was carried out, featuring government representatives such as the Regional Secretary of Makassar, Head of D Commission from the Regional House of Representatives, Head of Makassar Health Office, TB cadres, and Executive Director of KulS.



The Mayor of Makassar, Ir. H. Ilham Arif Sirajuddin, handed over IEC materials of the National TB Campaign to the local health center



