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Bangladesh launches employment injury scheme by using openIMIS

Bangladesh launched a ground-breaking employment injury scheme – the first of its kind – providing income protection for workers in the country’s ready-made garment sector

This pioneering scheme, named *EIS Pilot*, will ensure that, for a trial period of three years, all workers in the export-oriented ready-made garment sector are for the first time ever eligible for work-place injury and disability compensation payments in accordance with international standards adopted by the ILO Employment Injury Benefits Convention, 1964 (No. 121). The ready-made garment sector is Bangladesh’s largest manufacturing industry and provides jobs to around four million people.

The pilot is a carefully crafted collaboration between public and private partners: The Ministry of Labour and Employment will administer it through its existing [Central Fund](#) and head a tripartite public-private oversight committee composed of its own representatives as well as employers’ associations. This pioneering public-private collaboration is jointly supported by the International Labour Organization (ILO), funded by the Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation, and the project [‘Social Protection for Workers in the Textile and Leather Sector’](#), implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)

The scheme is managed by openIMIS. With the support of the GIZ project and the ILO, openIMIS was customized to the requirements of the pilot. With this customized version of openIMIS, it is possible, among other things, to determine the eligible beneficiaries according to the different inheritance laws and customs.

In the initial phase of the EIS Pilot, openIMIS will be managed by a local software company, but once established, it will be hosted by the Ministry of Labour and Employment and will interoperate with the existing identity card scheme, which is in line with the government’s national digital architecture plans.

For more information visit: [Bangladesh launches pioneering employment injury scheme for the garment sector – Healthy DEvelopments \(bmz.de\)](#)

Swiss TPH successfully conducted trainings on openMIS for voucher scheme in Cameroon

In order to run the Chèque Santé voucher scheme for maternal health services in Cameroon, Swiss TPH recently conducted trainings on how to use openMIS. Program administrators, medical personnel and health facility employees successfully took part in the training sessions. Over 60 persons took part in the trainings.

The Chèque Santé voucher scheme runs in three northern regions and is funded by the French Development Agency (AFD) and technical assistance is provided by GIZ International Services. GIZ InS contracted Y- Note and Swiss TPH for the set-up of openMIS to digitalize the registration of women and the claims management process, initially in one region. The aim of the program is to reduce mother and child mortality through an insurance mechanism that covers pregnancy care from antenatal care (ANC) to postnatal care (PNC) until 42 days after birth. To implement the pilot in the best manner possible, new modules such as voucher number validation and packaged services have been developed. As a new implementation, The Chèque Santé voucher scheme is thus the first implementation of the new, modular version of openMIS.

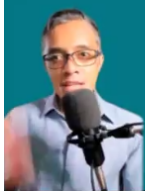


AeHIN introduces openMIS as a tool for COVID-19 responses

On the 26th of August, a webinar was, hosted by AeHin, on how one could use openMIS as a tool for COVID-19 response. Julius R. Migrino, associate professor and head of the research unit of the San Beda University College of medicine, reviewed in the webinar the basic functionalities of openMIS and its current global implementations. He then highlighted the role of information systems and digital health solutions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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a practical guide



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Based on the Gambia's cash transfer program, Mr. Migriño shows how openIMIS has been used to mitigate the impact of the pandemic. In 2020 the Government of The Gambia established a cash transfer scheme known as Nafa Quick ('quick benefits') to protect poor households against the economic effects of COVID-related lockdowns. Household registration, enrollment, and payment processes for Nafa Quick were managed using openIMIS. Based on openIMIS, the Gambian software development company [2M Corp](#) designed and developed the registration, enrollment and payment modules of the management information system for Nafa Quick. It also provided technical assistance to NaNA to manage and operate the system.

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Prologue

Module Description

This module summarizes the role of openIMIS in responding to the current COVID-19 pandemic (and beyond):

- Review of the basic functionalities and current global implementation of openIMIS;
- Highlighting the role of information systems and digital health solutions in response to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Discussion on cash transfer and other global social protection schemes;
- Use of openIMIS by Gambia's COVID-19 cash transfer program;
- Discuss of the delivery systems framework to create a functional delivery chain map utilizing openIMIS.

You can find the recording of the whole webinar here:

https://youtu.be/hSHts_nWnuk

More information about the openIMIS Implementation in Gambia can be found here:

<https://health.bmz.de/stories/openimis-brings-digital-social-benefits-to-the-gambia/>

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