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## THE NATIONAL PHARMACOVIGILANCE ROADMAP

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## **FOREWORD**

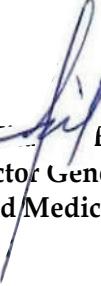
This Roadmap has been developed by the Tanzania Medicines and Medical Devices Authority (TMDA) which was formally known as Tanzania Food and Drugs Authority (TFDA) in collaboration with stakeholders with support from PROFORMA and PAVIA projects funded by the European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP).

The roadmap is a product of the baseline situational analysis (BSA) which was conducted by using the EAC PV Performance Assessment tool to identify the gaps in PV system. The baseline assessment survey was conducted in the early phases of the PROFORMA and PAVIA projects in August 2018. The tool was categorized into the following areas: Policy, Laws and regulations; Systems, structures and stakeholders' engagement in PV activities; Signal generation and data management; Risk Assessment and Evaluation; Risk Management and Communication. In addition, the BSA also covered the assessment of training curricular in Medical Universities both for a long and short term. Respondents were from TMDA, Medical Universities, PHPs, MAHs and health facilities.

The identified gaps were incorporated to the draft Roadmap and shared to stakeholders in different workshops. The valuable inputs were received from the Ministry of Health Gender, Community development, Elderly and Children (MOHGCEC), Public Health Programs including; National Tuberculosis & Leprosy Program (NTLP), National Malaria Control Programme (NMCP), National AIDS Control Programme (NACP), Neglected Tropical Diseases Control Program and Immunization and Vaccine Development Program, Central Tuberculosis Reference Laboratory (CTRL), Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS), Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College (KCMUCo), Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Centre (KCMC), Kilimanjaro Clinical

Research Institute (KCRI), Temeke Hospital, Kibong'oto Hospital, Arusha Municipal Council and Kilimanjaro Municipal Council.

Due to rapid advancement in technology, new medical products are already on the market and others being invented every now and then for public use hence close monitoring of their safety, efficacy and quality to the consumer is of paramount importance. This roadmap provides guidance on the implementation of National PV activities in five (5) years period (2019-2023). All activities intend to strengthen the pharmacovigilance system in the country.

  
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## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ADRs	Adverse Drug Reactions
aDSM	Active Drug Safety Monitoring and Management
BSA	Baseline Situational Analysis
DR-TB	Drug Resistance Tuberculosis
EAC	East African Community
EDCTP	European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership
ETL	Electronic Tuberculosis and Leprosy database
HCWs	Health Care Workers
HFs	Health facilities
IVD	Immunization and Vaccine Development
KCMC	Kilimanjaro Christian Medical Center
KCMUCo	Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College
KCRI	Kilimanjaro Clinical Research Institute
MAH	Marketing Authorization Holder
MDR-TB	Multi-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis
MSD	Medical Stores Department
MUHAS	Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences
NACP	National AIDS Control Programme
NMCP	National Malaria Control Programme
NMRA	National Medicines Regulatory Authority
NTDCP	Neglected Tropical Diseases Control Programme
NTLP	National Tuberculosis and Leprosy Control Programme
PAVIA	PharmacoVigilance Africa
PHP	Public Health Programme
PROFORMA	<u>Pha</u> Rmac <u>O</u> vigilance infrastructure and post-marketing surveillance system capacity building FOR regional <u>Medic</u> ine regulatory harmonization in East <u>Afric</u> A
PSUR	Periodic Safety Update Report
PV	Pharmacovigilance

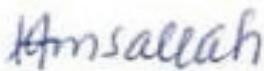
SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
SSA	Sub-Saharan Africa
TMDA	Tanzania Medicines and Medical Devices Authority
TWG	Technical Working Group

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# **1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION**

## **1.1. Pharmacovigilance in Tanzania**

The World Health Organization (WHO) has defined Pharmacovigilance (PV) as “the science and activities relating to the detection, assessment, understanding, and prevention of adverse effects or any other possible drug-related problems.”<sup>1</sup> The aim of the PV system is to protect the public from medicines-related harm. Currently few low- and middle-income countries have a well-functioning PV system to support the timely identification, collection, and assessment of medicine-related adverse events.

The PV system in Tanzania was introduced in 1989. The major purpose was to monitor and provide relevant information about the safety of medicines. Since its establishment, there have been a lot of interventions conducted to strengthen the system such as development of tools like electronic reporting systems, sensitization and training, establishment of PV zonal centers and active safety monitoring for some selected medicines. The Pharmacovigilance regulations were also developed and endorsed by the Minister responsible for Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children (MoHCDGEC) in the year 2018. The regulations require for mandatory reporting of all suspected adverse drug reaction by the Marketing Authorization Holders, healthcare works and consumers.

Despite all these efforts, the PV system in Tanzania did not achieve all of its planned goals due to inefficient functional regulatory and organizational structures, limited funds, unclear roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders on ensuring medicinal safety, ineffective active surveillance of Adverse Drug Reactions (ADRs),

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<sup>1</sup> WHO 2009, The importance of pharmacovigilance. Safety monitoring of medicinal products. Geneva.

disconnected databases, lack of sufficient Human Resources as well as lack of PV relevant skills and competence among stakeholders

## 1.2. Why a roadmap?

The roadmap has been developed based on the gaps and challenges identified during the baseline situational analysis (BSA). The roadmap includes all the activities to be undertaken so as to overcome the identified gaps/challenges and hence improve the overall PV system. It states which activities to be done, when, how, by whom and sources of funds for the period 2019-2023.

### 1.2.1. Brief description of the roadmap development process

This roadmap is the product of the BSA of PV system conducted in August 2018 that was coordinated by the partnership of PAVIA/PROFORMA projects funded by the EDCTP.

The BSA identified the gaps and challenges which led to a workshop that was held in 2019 where stakeholders discussed the findings and defined the desired '*end state*' for the PV situation in the country. The roadmap outlines the areas for PV strengthening, with key activities.

### 1.2.2. Overview of key gaps identified from the baseline situational analysis

- i. Inadequate linkage between the TMDA and the potential PV stakeholders e.g. healthcare workers and professionals, Public Health Programmes (PHPs), Marketing Authorization Holders (MAHs).

- ii. Inadequate capacity to analyse aggregated safety information like Periodic Safety Update Reports (PSUR) from MAH
- iii. Lack of a locally tailored short courses to train PHPs, MAHs and HFs on PV
- iv. Lack of system to estimate the level of drug utilization i.e. size of the population exposed to a product with safety issue.
- v. Lack of systematic and well-structured curriculum or stand-alone PV training in medical schools.
- vi. Existence of parallel ADR database in various institutions/organizations not linked to TMDA.
- vii. Lack of commitment by health facilities leadership and HCWs in ADR reporting
- viii. PV being not part of the agenda for implementation for Hospital Drugs and Therapeutic Committees despite PV being one of their main objective (objective 3a-c).
- ix. Inadequate awareness on PV among HCWs and management
- x. Lack of a well-defined system for ADR risk management at MAH, health facilities and PHPs
- xi. Poor connectivity between Multi Drug Resistance Tuberculosis (MDR-TB) PV team and the general hospital PV team.
- xii. Lack of PV units and focal persons at MAH and health facilities for coordinating PV activities and liaising with TMDA.
- xiii. Poor transfer of knowledge from PV trained staff within the same facility and high rate of PV trained staff turn over
- xiv. Low reporting of quality defect issues, medication errors and therapeutic ineffectiveness.

### **1.3. Alignment of this roadmap with existing national strategic plans**

This Roadmap aligns with the existing TMDA and PHP strategic plans in which monitoring of safety, efficacy and quality of medicines are part of their planned activities. It also aligns with the TMDA strategic plan (2017/18 - 2021/2022).

- *Tanzania Medicine and Medical Devices Authority Strategic plan*  
Among the objectives in TMDA strategic plan is monitoring safety, effectiveness and quality of medicines and medical devices. It also aims at; Strengthen the system for regulations of medicines including PV, promote voluntary reporting and management of adverse events and engage in regional collaboration and international harmonization initiatives for PV.
- *Strategic plan for PHPs*  
Each PHP in Tanzania has a strategic plan into which monitoring of safety, efficacy and quality of medicines and other medical products is among the stated objectives. For examples, PV activities for National Tuberculosis and Leprosy Programme (NTLP) are included in the annual operational plan and there is budget allocated for these activities. In addition, there is a national active drug safety monitoring (aDSM) committee that was officially appointed by the MoHCDGEC to deal with MDR - TB. Similarly, other PHPs have their own PV programmes that must be aligned with the National PV Roadmap.

## **2. GOALS AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES OF THIS ROADMAP**

The Roadmap is meant to provide an activity plan to strengthen PV in the country over the coming 3-5 years. The strategic objectives are:

- i. Improving the efficiency and functioning of regulatory and organizational structures of PV activities
- ii. Defining and clarifying the roles and responsibilities for all stakeholders towards ensuring the safety, effectiveness and quality of medicines
- iii. Increasing the effectiveness of active (sentinel) surveillance of ADRs
- iv. Improving connectivity of databases and use of PV tools for event detection, reporting, analysis and dissemination to relevant stakeholders
- v. Increasing resources to sufficiently exercise safety-monitoring activities throughout the country
- vi. Improving PV-relevant skills and competencies at various levels
- vii. Improving monitoring and evaluation of the performance of the PV system
- viii. Enhancing national, regional and international initiatives and networking in relation to PV skills, knowledge and better resource mobilization and utilization

### **3. KEY MILESTONES AND ACTIVITIES PER STRATEGIC AREA**

- 3.1. Improving the efficiency and functioning of regulatory and organizational structures of PV activities
- a) Print and disseminate PV tools (Regulations, Guidelines, SOPs, Registers, and Bulletins).
  - b) Orient and sensitize on PV regulations to all PV stakeholders
  - c) Establish system to capture medicines utilization in the country in order strength PV system.
  - d) Conduct PV inspection as per the PV regulations, 2018
  - e) Raise awareness on PV to the public through different media (i.e, radio, televisions, bulletins, newspapers, brochures, posters, social medias, magazines), exhibitions events and school education
  - f) Conduct annual stakeholders meeting to sensitize and create awareness on safety monitoring of medicines
  - g) Conduct mentorship and supervision to TMDA Zones and health facilities
- 3.2. Defining and clarifying the roles and responsibilities for all stakeholders to ensure the safety of medicines
- a) Establish a process for active surveillance data from PHPs for monitoring safety of newly introduced drug for PRD.
  - b) Establish standardized procedures for collecting information from PHPs on adverse drug reactions (ADRs) and sharing this information with the national PV Centre.

- c) Establish standardized procedure for signal detection and signal communication between PHPs and PV Centres.
  - d) Train PHPs, MAH healthcare professionals to improve reporting of potential ADRs.
  - e) Establish collaborative approach in collecting, analyzing and exchanging information and sharing expertise
- 3.3. Increasing the effectiveness of active (sentinel) surveillance of ADRs
- a) Establish a process for including active surveillance data from PHPs in data used by regulatory authorities for decision-making on (safety of) newly introduced drug for PRD.
  - b) Establish a process for analyzing and interpretation of aDSM data
  - c) Engage in active surveillance of MDR-TB treatment in collaboration with the NTLP
- 3.4. Improving connectivity of databases and use of PV tools for event detection, reporting, analysis and dissemination to relevant stakeholders
- a) Create a link between TMDA electronic reporting system and electronic systems for NTLP, NMCP, NACP and IVD.
  - b) To harmonize current health management information systems and electronic ADR reporting systems
  - c) Ensure availability and public displaying of a toll-free phone number for reporting ADR

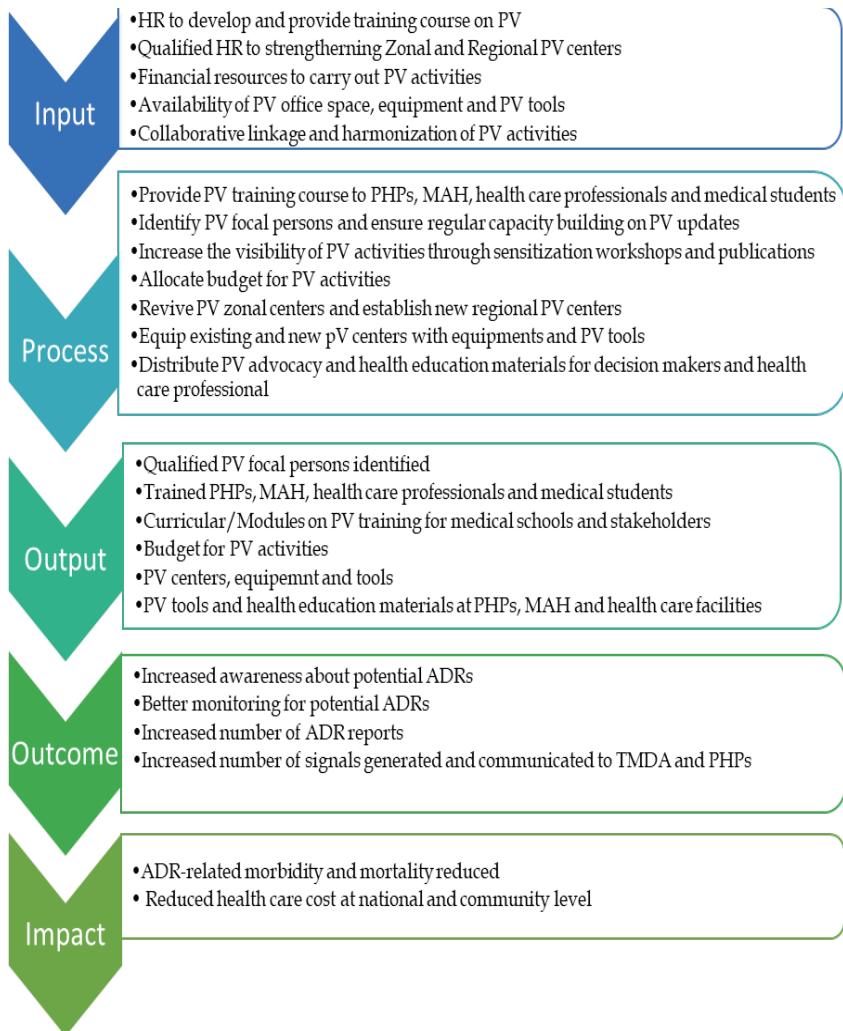
- 3.5. Increasing human resources to sufficiently exercise safety-monitoring activities throughout the country
- a) Appoint PV focal persons in all health facilities, PHP, Medical Stores Department (MSD), MAH and community pharmacies.
  - b) Establish PV task force in all public and private hospitals
  - c) Sensitize health facilities and PHPs to plan and budget for PV activities
  - d) Revive seven (7) Zonal PV centers, establish 20 regional PV centers and providing working tools for PV activities
- 3.6. Improving PV-relevant skills and competencies at various levels
- a) Training of staff at Msc and PhD levels on PV.
  - b) Develop and conduct PV training module/curricula for medical training institutions (MUHAS, UDOM, CUHAS and KCMUCo) for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes
  - c) Capacity building of TMDA and University staff through participation in regional and international training programmes.
  - d) Develop and conduct short course training curricula for healthcare professionals, PHPs and MAHs on PV
  - e) Sensitize HCWs at all levels and Community Advisory Boards on PV activities and the use of m-health in reporting ADRs.
  - f) Create awareness and sensitize Medicine and Therapeutic Committee (MTC) members on PV.
  - g) Mapping of the Health Training Institutions (MUHAS, UDOM, CUHAS and KCMUCo) for inclusion for PV module in their Curricula.

- h) Dissemination of PV activities through publications and other means of communications.
- 3.7. Improving monitoring and evaluation of the performance of the PV system
- a) Use existing PV indicators to monitor progress focusing on outputs and outcomes (ADR reports received and processed, improvements in active and passive reporting, reports to international databases) and impacts (signals detected, revisions of treatment guidelines); PV training curricula, analyze barriers (national as well as overarching); and adapt roadmaps where needed.
  - b) Conduct end-term evaluation on implementation of this Roadmap
  - c) Develop a tailored made tool for MAH, PHPs and health facilities for monitoring and evaluation of PV activities.
  - d) Use the developed M&E tool to conduct self-biannual monitoring of PV at MAH, PHPs and health facilities.
  - e) Conduct biannual PV centres workshops to discuss progress and sharing experiences from the best performers
- 3.8. Enhancing national, regional and international initiatives and networking in relation to PV skills, knowledge and better resource mobilization and utilization
- a) Attend Regional and International meetings on PV.
  - b) Hold annual PV stakeholder meeting (*pharmacovigilance day*).
  - c) Harmonize PV activities within EAC region.

- d) Engage with Regional and International stakeholders such as NEPAD, the African Medicines Agency (AMA), EDCTP, WHO, ISOP and the Uppsala Monitoring Center.
- e) Complement/strengthen the supranational capacity for PV and comprehensive risk management of the regional centers of excellence for PV.

## **4. MONITORING AND EVALUATION FRAMEWORK AND MATRIX PLAN**

The Roadmap provides information about the main organizations, responsible stakeholders, activities, timelines, funding source, contributing partners, process, output and outcome indicators, and how these will be measured as per monitoring and evaluation framework (Figure 1), monitoring and evaluation matrix plans (table 1 and 2).



## *Figure 1: Monitoring and evaluation framework*

Monitoring and evaluation of activities will be done to ensure progress towards the intended objectives and to make sure that the resources allocated are being used efficiently. Depending on nature of activities, monitoring can be done Monthly, Quarterly or Yearly. Evaluation will be done at the end of the project to assess the impact of the two projects (PAVIA and PROFORMA) as compared to the baseline assessment.

*Table 1: Monitoring and Evaluation Framework*

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
a) Print and disseminate PV tools (Regulations, Guidelines)	Percent age of five (5) zonal referral hospital received PV tools	2018 -	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%	TMDA	Reports with TMDA list of health facilities	TMDA GF WHO	

Objective 1: Improving the efficiency and functioning of regulatory and organizational structures of PV activities

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
a) Print and disseminate PV tools (Regulations, Guidelines)	Percent age of five (5) zonal referral hospital received PV tools	2018 -	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%	TMDA	Reports with TMDA list of health facilities	TMDA GF WHO	

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value	Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
- es, SOPs, Registers, and Bulletins ).	- Percent age of regional referral hospital s received PV tools	2018 -	Y1 (2019) Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021) Y4 (2022) Y5 (2023)	60% 70%	TMDA	TMDA GF WHO
	- Percent age of district hospital s received PV tools	2018 -	10% 20%	30% 40%	50% 50%	TMDA	TMDA GF WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund	
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)			
b) Orient and sensitize PV regulators to all PV stakeholders	- Percent age of sensitized PV stakeholders	2018	-	20%	40%	50%	60%	70%	TMDA	Sensitization reports and list of HFs sensitized	TMDA	PAVIA PROF OMA TMDA GF WHO
c) Establish system to capture medicine utilization in the country in order strengthen	- System in place	2019	-	-	-	-	-	-	TMDA MoHC DGEC	Reports	TMDA	TMDA/GF

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
PV system.											
d) Conduct PV inspection as per the PV regulations, 2018	- Percent age of health facilities inspected	2018 0%	-	10%	20%	25%	30%	TMDA	Reports	TMDA	TMDA GF WHO NORP AT
	- Percent age of MAH inspected	2018 0%	-	10%	40%	60%	70%	TMDA	Reports	TMDA	TMDA GF WHO NORP AT

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value	Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund		
			Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
-	- Percent age of PIPs inspecte d	2018	0%	-	50%	80%	100%	TMDA	TMDA GF WHO NORP AT
e)	Raise awareness on PV to the public through different media (i.e., radio, televisio n	Number 2018						TMDA Reports	TMDA KCRI MUHAS PAVIA PROF OMA NORP AT

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
ns, bulletins, newspap- ers, brochure	Number of bulletin issued	2018								TMDA KCR PAVIA	
s, posters, social medias, magazin es), exhibitio ns events and school educa- n	Number of exhibition s/ events	2018								TMDA KCR PAVIA	

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funder
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
f) Conduct annual stakeholders meeting to sensitize and create awareness on safety monitoring	Stakeholders meeting conducted	2018	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA Reports	TMDA KCRI
	Number of stakeholders sensitized	2018	✓	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA Reports	TMDA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
Improving quality of medicine											
g) Conduct Number of TMDA zones supervised/ mentored	mentorship and supervision to TMDA Zones and health facilities	2018	7	7	7	7	7	TMDA	Reports	TMDA KCRI MUHAS	TMDA GF PAVIA PROF OMA NORP AT
	Number of health facilities supervised/	2018	38	27	20	20	20	TMDA	Reports	TMDA KCRI MUHAS	TMDA GF PAVIA PROF OMA NORP AT

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)				
mentored											

**Objective 2: Defining and clarifying the roles and responsibilities for all stakeholders to ensure the safety of medicines**

a)	Establish a structural link between the PV Center and	Number of joint meetings between PV center and	-	-	Objective 2: Defining and clarifying the	2	TMIDA	TMIDA Reports	TMIDA	TMIDA
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Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)				
PHPs (NTLIP, NACP, NMCP, NPCNTD and IVD)	PHP				roles and responsibilities for all stakeholders to ensure the safety of medicines						

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
b) Establish standardized procedures for collecting g information from PHPs on adverse drug reactions (ADRs) and sharing this informati	Standardized procedures (SOPs) for collecting g information from PHPs on adverse drug reactions (ADRs) and sharing this informati	2018	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA	SOPs
										TMDA	TMDA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
ion with the national PV Centre.											
c) Establish standardized procedures for signal detection and signal communication between PHPs	Standardized procedures (SOPs) for signal detection and communication between PHPs	2018	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA	SOPs

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
and PV Centres.	and PV centers										
d) Train PHPs, MAH healthcare professionals to improve reporting of potential ADRs.	- Number of in-service training and workshops conducted	2018		4	4	4	4	TMDA	Reports	TMDA	TMDA GF PAVIA PROF OMA ASCE ND
	- Number of HCWs trained	2018		100	100	100	150	TMDA	Reports	TMDA	PAVIA PROF OMA ASCE



Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funder
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)				
Sharing and exchanging information and sharing expertise	Number of feedback meetings/ sessions held	2018	-	-							

**Objective 3: Increasing the effectiveness of active (sentinel) surveillance of ADRs**

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund		
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)				
a) Establish a process for active surveillance in place	SOP for active surveillance in place	2018			✓			✓	✓	TMDA	SOPs	TMDA	TMDA GF

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
b) Establish a process for analyzing and interpretation of aDSM data	SOP for aDSM data analysis and interpretation of aDSM data	2018			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA SOPs	TMDA GF
c) Engage in active surveillance of MDR-TB treatment through aDSM collabora	Number of ADRs reported through aDSM	2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	TMDA NTLP Reports	TMDA PAVIA NTLP

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
tion with the NTLP											

**Objective 4: Improving connectivity of databases and use of PV tools for event detection, reporting, analysis and dissemination to relevant stakeholders**

a)	Create a link between TMDA electronic reporting system	Number of electronic ADR reports received from NTLP	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	✓	TMDA NTLP	TMDA Reports	TMDA NTLP	TMDA PAVIA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible und
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)			
and electronic systems for NTLP, NMCP, NACP and IVD.	Number of electronic ADR reports received from NMCP	2018	-	-	✓	✓	✓	TMDA NMCP	Reports	TMDA NMCP
	Number of electronic ADR reports	2018	-	-	✓	✓	✓	TMDA NACP	Reports	TMDA NACP

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fundable
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
received from NACP											
Number of electronic AEFI reports received from IVD		2018 -	-	-	✓	✓	✓	TMDA IVD	Reports	TMDA IVD	TMDA WHO UNICE F
b) To harmonize current health management information	Request sent to MoHCDGEC for harmonizing the	2018 -	-	-	-	✓	✓	TMDA MoHCDGEC	Reports Letter C	TMDA MoHCDGEC	TMDA MoHCDGEC

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
b) Implemention systems (HMIS) and electronic ADR reporting systems	HMIS										
c) Ensure availability and public displaying of a toll-free phone number for PV in place	Toll-free phone number for PV in place	2018	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	TMDA Reports	TMDA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
toll-free phone number for reporting ADRs	Number of ADRs received through toll-free phone number	2018	-	-	-	-	-	20	100	TMDA Reports	TMDA

**Objective 5: Increasing human resources to sufficiently exercise safety-monitoring activities throughout the country**

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value	Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund		
			Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
a) Appoint PV focal persons in all health facilities, PHP, Medical Stores Department (MSD), MAH and community pharmacies with PV focal	Number of health facilities , PHP, Medical Stores Department (MSD), MAH and community pharmacies with PV focal	2018	31	31	40	50	50	TMDA	Appointmen tletter
								TMDA	TMDA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value				Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible und
			Value (2019)	Y1 (2020)	Y2 (2021)	Y3 (2022)			
	persons								
b) Establish PV task force in all public and private hospitals	Number of public and private hospitals with PV task force	2018	-	-	5	20	31	TMDA HF <sub>s</sub>	TMDA HF <sub>s</sub> MUHAS reference, minutes
c) Sensitize health facilities and	Number of PHPs sensitized	2018	1	1	1	5	5	TMDA PHP <sub>s</sub>	TMDA Reports TMDA PHP <sub>s</sub>

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline		Indicator target value			Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
		Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)				
PHPs to plan and budget for PV activities	Number of councils sensitized	2018	-	-	-	10	15	TMDA Councils	TMDA Reports	TMDA
d) Revive seven (7) Zonal PV centers, establish 20 regional	PV regional centers functioning	2018	7	3	4	7	7	TMDA	Correspondences Number of ADRs	TMDA PAVIA GF WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible und	
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
PV centers and providing working tools for PV activities	Number of regional PV centers established	2018 -	17	20	20	20	20	20	TMDA	TMDA Letter Distribution tools	TMDA PAVIA GF WHO
	Number of tool supplied	2018									TMDA PAVIA GF WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline		Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible fund
		Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)			
- Number of ADR reports received from new PV centers	2018			200	200	200	TMDA	VigilFlow	TMDA	TMDA PAVIA GF WHO	

**Objective 6: Improving PV-relevant skills and competencies at various levels**

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible und
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)			
a) Training of staff at Msc and PhD levels on PV	Number of staff trained for MSc and PhD on PV	2018	-	-	1	-	3	TMDA	Certificate of completion	TMDA PROF OMA SMER T ASCE ND
b) Capacity building of TMDA and University staff through participation in regional	Number of staff attended training programmes	2018	3	6	6	12	12	TMDA	Reports	TMDA MUHAS

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Means of Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
	and international training program mes.										
c) Develop and conduct PV training module/ curricula for	- PV training curriculum in place	2018	-	1	1	2	3	4	TMDA Medic al universities	Curricula/ module document TCU accreditation letter	TMDA PROF OMA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value				Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund	
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
medical training institutions (MUHA S, UDOM, CUHAS and KCMUC) for undergraduate and postgraduate programmes	Number of universities implementing the curricul um	2018 -		1	1	2	3	4	TMDA Medic al universities	TMDA/ Curricula/ module document TCU accreditation letter	TMDA PROF OMA

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value	Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund		
			Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
d) Develop and conduct short course curricular in place	Number of short course curricular in place	2018	1	1	5	5	5	TMDA Approved curricular	TMDA Universit ies WHO
	Number of PHPs trained	2018	-	-	5	5	5	TMDA Reports	TMDA Universit ies WHO
	professionals, PHPs and MAHs on PV	2018	-	-	25	25	25	TMDA Reports	TMDA Universit ies WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
- Number of health care workers trained	-	-	-	-	100	100	150	TMDA	Reports	TMDA Universit ies	NORP AT WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
e) Create awareness and sensitize Medicin e and Therape utic Committee (MTC) members on PV	Number of MTCs sensitized	2018			10	15	27	TMDA Reports	TMDA PSU	TMDA GF PAVIA PROF OMA WHO USAID	

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
f) Mapping of the Health Training Institutions (MUHAS, UDOM, CUHAS and KCMUC) for inclusion for PV curricula r/modul e	Number medical training instituti on mapped	2018	0	1	2	-	5	TMDA	Reports	TMDA Universit ies	TMDA GF PAVIA PROF OMA WHO USAI D
	Number of medical training instituti on with PV curricul um	2018	0	1	1	3	5	TMDA	Reports	TMDA Universit ies	TMDA GF PAVIA PROF OMA WHO USAI D

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value				Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible fund
			Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
g) Dissemination of PV activities through publications and other means of communications.	Number of publication and communication sessions	2018	1	1	2	5	6	TMDA	TMDA KCMUC o PAVIA PROF OMA WHO USAID
<b>Objective 7: Improving monitoring and evaluation of the performance of the PV system</b>									

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
a) Update the national M&E tool using existing PV indicator	M&E tool developed	2018	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA	M&E tool in place	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO	

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
b) Conduct end-term evaluation on implementation of this Roadmap	M&E conducted	2018	-	-	-	-	-	TMDA KCRI MUH AS	Report	TMDA	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO
c) Develop and disseminate a tailored tool for MAH development and	M&E	2018	-	-	-	-	-	-	Report	TMDA	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value				Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)				
made tool for MAH, PHPs and health facilities for monitoring and evaluation of PV activities.	disseminated									
M&E tool for PHPs developed and disseminated	2018	-	-	-	✓	✓	-	TMDA Report	TMDA	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO
M&E tool for HFs developed and disseminated	2018	-	-	-	✓	✓	-	TMDA Report	TMDA	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
	disseminated										
d) Conduct self-biannual M&E of PV at MAH, PHPs and health facilities.	Two M&E conduct ed by MAH, PHPs and HFs	2018	-	-	-	-	-	✓	TMDA Report	TMDA	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Fund
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
e) Conduct biannual PV centres workshops to discuss progress	Number of workshops conducted	2018	1	-	-	2	2	TMDA	Report	TMDA	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO
	Number of people and facilities attended	2018	-	-	-	25	25	TMDA	Reports	TMDA MUHAS KCRI	TMDA PROF ORMA PAVIA WHO GF

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value				Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Und
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)	

**Objective 8:** Enhancing national, regional and international initiatives and networking in relation to PV skills, knowledge and better resource mobilization and utilization

a)	Attend Regional and International meetings on PV	Number of regional and international meetings attended	2018	2	2	-	2	2	2	TMDA Reports	TMDA MUHAS KCRI	TMDA PROF ORMA MUH AS PAVIA EAC NEPA D

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means verification	Responsible	Fund
			Date	Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)		
b) Hold annual PV stakeholder meeting (pharma covigilance day).	- Number of PV stakeholders meeting conducted	2018	1	1	1	1	1	1	TMDA Reports	TMDA MUHAS KCRI	TMDA PROF ORMA MUH AS PAVIA
c) Domesticate the EAC harmonized guidelines for PV disseminated to stakeholders	- EAC harmonized guidelines for PV disseminated to stakeholders	2018	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	TMDA Website	TMDA EAC	TMDA EAC

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible	Funding
			Value	Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)				
d) Engage with Regional and International stakeholders such as NEPAD, the African	ders										
d) Engage with Regional and International stakeholders such as NEPAD, the African	ders	2018	2	4	4	4	4	TMDA	Reports	TMDA MUHAS KCRI	TMDA WHO EAC

Activity	Indicator and indicator description	Baseline Date	Indicator target value					Data Source	Means of verification	Responsible fund
			Y1 (2019)	Y2 (2020)	Y3 (2021)	Y4 (2022)	Y5 (2023)			
Medicines Agency (AMA), EDCTP, WHO, ISOP and the Uppsala Monitoring Center.	Number of collaborative grant applications submitted	2018 3	3	3	3	3	TMDA	Reports	TMDA MUHAS KCRI	TMDA WHO EAC

*Table 2: Evaluation Matrix Plan*

S N	Evaluation Study	Description Evaluation	Study Questions	Methodology	Timefram e	Responsible Person
1.	Baseline Situational Analysis	The BSA aimed at assessing the existing gaps on PV systems	a) Is there adequate regulatory framework for PV? b) Are the stakeholders aware of PV tools and activities? c) Are training institutions having modules/ curricula (short- and long-term courses) on PV related activities?	i. Questionnaires and interviews ii. Checklist	August 2018	TMDA KCRI MUHAS PAVIA PROFORM A
2.	Stakeholders self-assessment	The self-assessment will	a) Are the stakeholders	i. Questionnaires and interviews	January 2023	PHPs, MAHs,

onPV	<p>be conducted within health facilities, PHP, MAHs and medical universities to ascertain PV activities implementation</p>	<p>having tools for PV activities?</p> <p>b) Are the stakeholders aware of PV tools and activities?</p> <p>c) What kind of reporting systems are used by stakeholders for PV reporting?</p> <p>d) Is there any increase in ADR reporting from stakeholders?</p> <p>e) Are the training modules/ curricula</p> <p>ii. Checklist</p>	HF MUHAS
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		developed and implemente d?			
3.	End term evaluation on implementation of the PV Roadmap completed	The evaluation aims measure performance of PV Roadmap	<p>a) Have the objectives of the PV Roadmap been achieved?</p> <p>b) What were the limitations?</p> <p>c) Has the ADR reporting improved?</p> <p>d) What lessons can be learnt from PV Roadmap implementation?</p>	<p>i. Questionnaires and interviews</p> <p>ii. Checklist</p>	<p>January 2023</p> <p>TMDA KCRI MUHAS PAVIA PROFORM A</p>

## **5. CONCLUSION**

This Pharmacovigilance roadmap has been developed basing on the findings of the baseline assessment conducted in August 2018. It outlines strategic areas and all activities that will be implemented in five years to achieve the stated project objectives. The expectation is to have an improved and efficient Pharmacovigilance system in Tanzania.

This is a general country PV road map that will need funds from different sources for the implementation of various activities. Finance is always a major issue to address. The existing projects i.e. PAVIA, PROFORMA will select the areas of interest for implementation according to the focus of the projects and the remaining activities will be implemented using Government funds allocated at the regulatory Authority and other funds from development partners such as Global Funds, WHO and others who will have PV activities component.