

Pandemic Fund Project

Pandemic Fund Annual Review Meeting

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GHANA REVIEWS ONE YEAR OF PANDEMIC FUND IMPLEMENTATION

Stakeholders implementing Ghana's Pandemic Fund Project met in Accra for the first Annual Review Meeting to assess progress made over the past year, discuss implementation challenges, share lessons learned, and agree on priority actions for the year ahead.

The meeting brought together representatives from the Ghana Health Service (GHS), the Veterinary Services Directorate (VSD), the World Health Organization (WHO), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), and other implementing partners working under the One Health approach to strengthen Ghana's pandemic preparedness and response systems. [Read more](#)



WHO STRENGTHENS COMMUNITY-LEVEL EARLY WARNING IN GHANA

When residents in Birim North District began reporting an unusually high number of deaths among pigs, the reports did not remain at community level. They triggered investigations involving the Ghana Health Service (GHS), Veterinary Services Directorate, Environmental Health Department and other local government agencies.

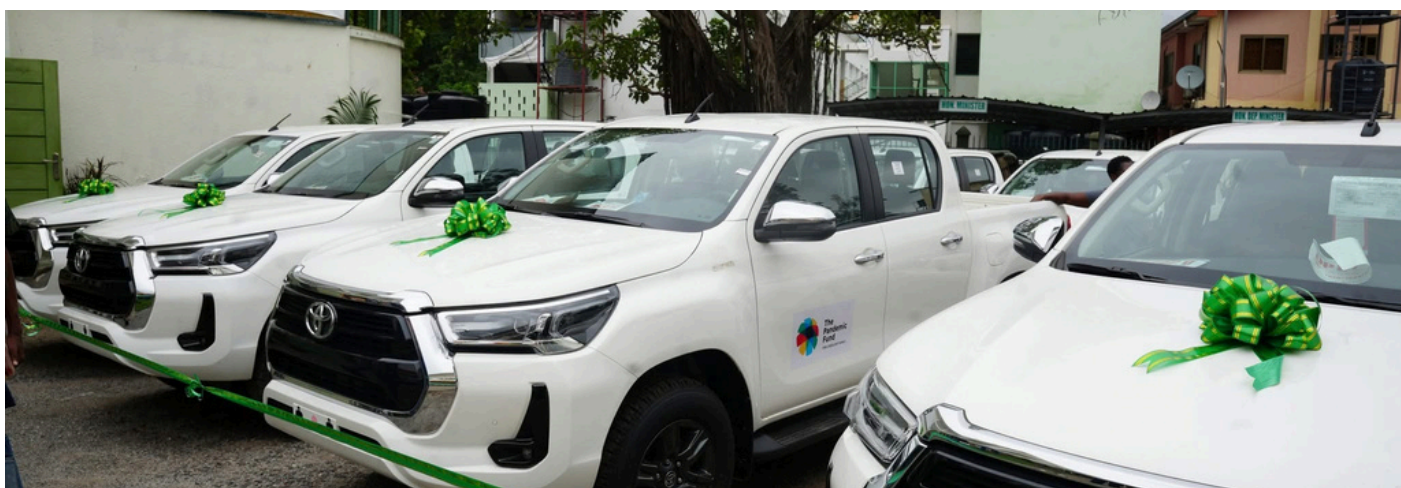
The response demonstrated an important principle of public health preparedness: unusual events are often first noticed in communities, and the ability to report and investigate these signals quickly can help authorities identify potential threats before they escalate. [Read more](#)





FAO BOOSTS GHANA'S VETERINARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT WITH VEHICLES, LABORATORY SUPPLIES AND DIGITAL EQUIPMENT SUPPORT

With support from the Pandemic Fund, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) has strengthened Ghana's veterinary services with the first batch of supplies which include 8 Toyota Hilux vehicles, 30 motorcycles, and 30 laptops alongside laboratory reagents and consumables. The support will enhance veterinary mobility, disease surveillance, data management and diagnostic capacity, strengthening animal health, food safety and livelihoods across Ghana.





KEEPING THE STANDARDS: GHANA STRENGTHENS LABORATORY QUALITY FOR BETTER HEALTH SECURITY

Every accurate diagnosis begins with a quality laboratory. Recognising this, Ghana has taken another significant step towards strengthening its national laboratory system by completing the development of tiered-specific quality standards for laboratories across the country.

Supported through the Pandemic Fund Project and led by the Ministry of Health with technical assistance from the World Health Organization (WHO), the standards provide a structured framework for laboratories at every level of the health system (from community and district laboratories to regional and national reference laboratories) to implement quality management systems appropriate to their level of service.





BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE: NEW NATIONAL BIOREPOSITORIES TO STRENGTHEN GHANA'S PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS

The ability to safely preserve biological specimens is fundamental to responding effectively to outbreaks and emerging health threats. Ghana is taking a major step towards strengthening this capacity through the finalisation of the design and technical specifications for two national biorepositories.

Supported by the Pandemic Fund Project with technical leadership from the Ministry of Health and WHO, the facilities will be established in the northern and southern sectors of the country, creating a resilient national system for long-term specimen storage.





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