

# **CLEARING IMMUNISATION BACKLOGS & BUILDING BACK BETTER IN THE WAKE OF COVID-19**

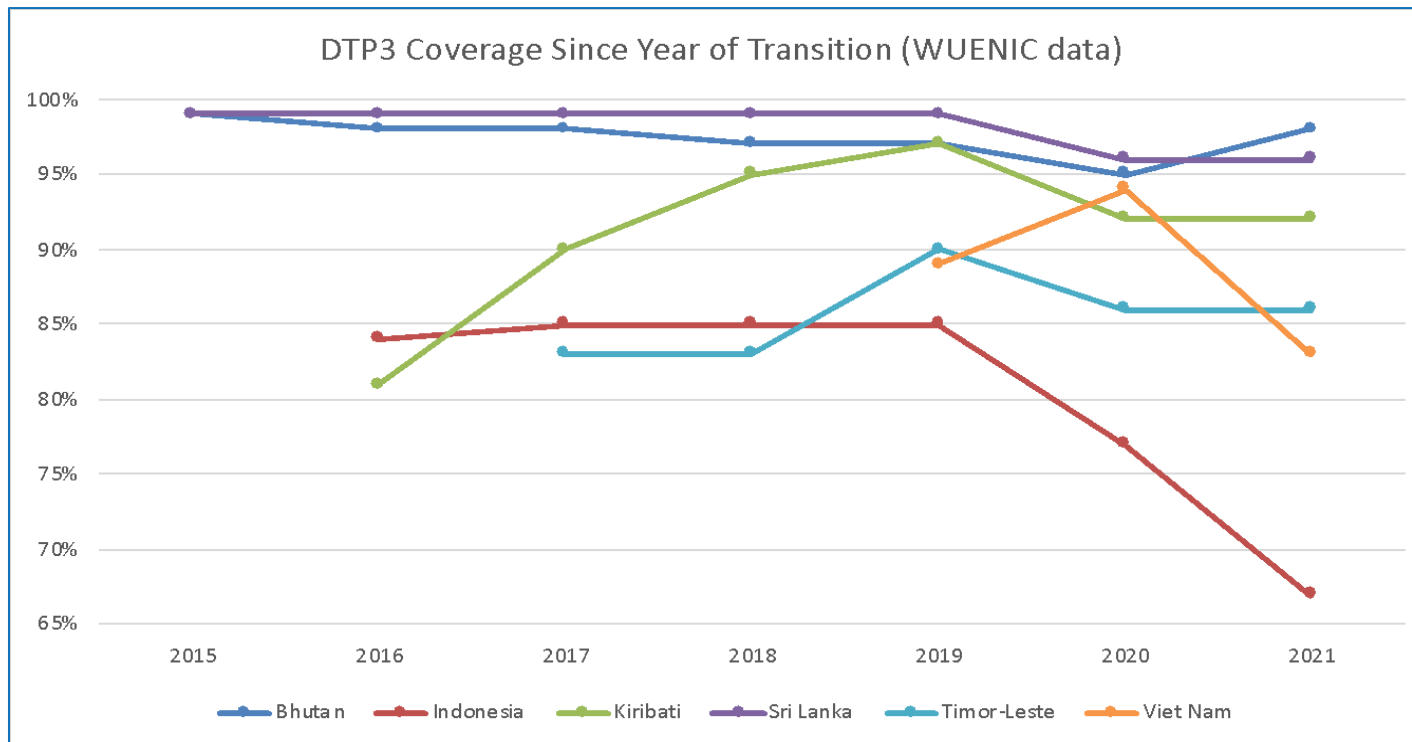
## **Workshop Day 1: Overview and Agenda**

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# Introduction

- RI services discontinued or delayed during the pandemic, causing immunisation backlogs
- Many disruptions have eased, but coverage levels continue to be affected in a number of countries
- Countries attempted a variety of measures to both mitigate the impact of the pandemic and clear their backlog



Source: WHO/UNICEF estimates on immunisation coverage (WUENIC 2021)

# Overview

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- BBB workshop brings together representatives from:
  - Linked country governments of Bhutan, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam
  - Complementary representatives India, Pakistan, and Philippines
  - Experts to bring in regional and global experience
- Workshop participants will have the opportunity to:
  - Share and learn together in a fun, collaborative environment – everyone is learning, everyone is teaching
  - Discuss what works and what doesn't in an open, transparent way
  - Problem solve by focusing on practical approaches
  - Develop action plans for building back better and reaching zero dose children and communities

# Learning Objectives

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- Understand what was done to mitigate disruption to RI coverage during the pandemic, including what worked and what didn't
- Identify how and by what pathways COVID-19 caused immunization backlogs, and why backlogs persist even after disruptions eased
- Understand the approaches countries are using to address backlogs, focusing on surfacing good practices and lessons learned
- Discuss how these good practices and lessons learned can be used to “build back better”, including identifying and reaching zero-dose and under-immunized children

# Day 1 Agenda

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- **Session 1:** Understanding Immunisation Coverage through the Pandemic & Addressing the Backlog
  - Global & regional experience: Meru Sheel
  - Country presentations: Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Viet Nam, Bhutan
  - Moderated panel: Comments and reflections from national experts from India, Pakistan, and Philippines
- **Session 2:** Lessons Learned from the Regional Response to COVID-19
  - Round-table discussion: Reflecting on lessons learned by regional experts
  - Small group country discussion & presentations
- **Gala Dinner & Cultural Show**
  - Heritance Negombo Hotel at 7:00pm