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Lessons, Challenges and Strategic Options for PPR financing IDB perspective

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1. What we learned from COVID-19

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3. Remaining challenges



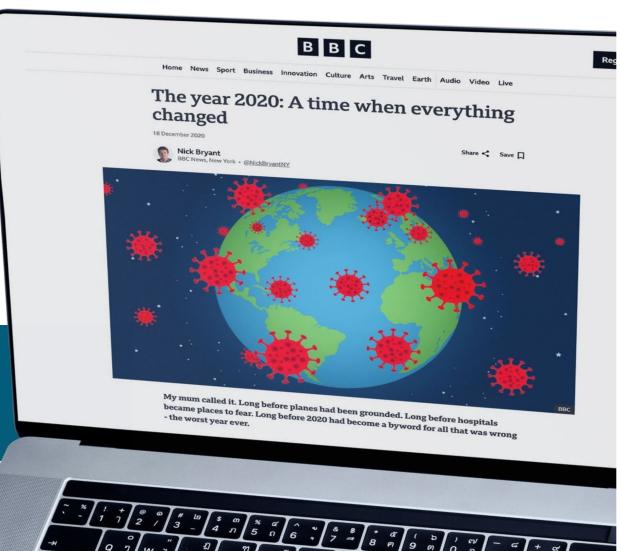


1. What we learned from Covid-19



A wake-up call

- Devastating health and economic effects
- Public health policy decisions under uncertainty
- Un-planned surge financing
- Inequitable distribution of MCMs



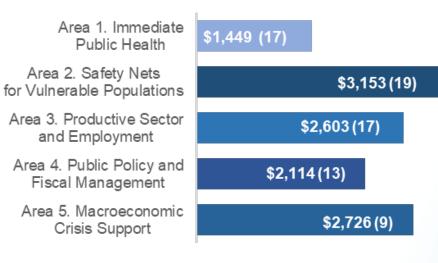
Should not happen again

IDB's Response

- AN UMBRELLA DOCUMENT APPROVED IN (MARCH 2020)
- EXPEDITED OPERATIONAL
 PROCEDURES
- REALLOCATION OF UNDISBURSED
 FUNDS + NEW LOANS
- SPECIAL PROCUREMENT MEASURES

 75 SG operations (US\$12 billion; 29.7% of total SG approvals) approved in 5 COVID-19 PRIORITY AREAS.

Figure 1. Approvals by priority area (US\$ million, and # of operations)



Total: US\$12 billion

(US\$10.5B in fresh funds and US\$1.5B from reformulations) In addition,185 TCs (US\$78.7 million) were approved for COVID-19 related activities.



IDB's Response

- Increase diagnostic capacity in 35 laboratories in 8 countries.
- Improve capacity for provision of health care: equipping health units/hospitals in 13 countries and hiring temporary personnel in 7 countries.
- Interrupt the chain of transmission of the disease: financing COVID-19 vaccines (35.1 million doses), as well as vaccination communication strategies in 5 countries.
- Guarantees for Ecuador and Belize to make their COVAX downpayments.
- Cope with the effects of the pandemic: cash transfers for 18 million households
- ✓ Finance working capital for economic recovery (with shortterm credit and/or guarantees) to 2 million MSMEs.





Learning from COVID-19

- 1. Awareness of regional vulnerabilities, health and economic
- 2. The urgent triple agenda of preparedness
- 3. Invest and prepare in peacetime
- 4. The need for
 - a) Updated global governance
 - b) Regional coordination
- 5. Increased supply chain resilience and regional self reliance in MCMs

- a) Prevention, early detection and control.
- b) Surge financing and capacity.
- c) Access/deployment of MCMs.



2. The post-Pandemic financing landscape

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Action sparked by COVID-19

- 1. Pandemic Fund was set up in 2022
- 2. IHR wee amended in 2024
- 3. Pandemic Agreement was negotiated in 2025

But...

- PPR is no longer a top priority (Covid 'amnesia')
- PPR agenda far from accomplished
- Fiscal constraints and competing demands (climate, security)
- Alignment with MDB programming still work in progress
- Global and regional schemes for surge financing and MCM access still in progress



Surge financing in a future pandemic?

Lines of defense



Global & regional solidarity

Pre-arranged external financing



Domestic resources



Ongoing work on surge financing

• <u>New instruments</u>:

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- The IDB reformed the Contingent Facility and is updating other instruments for health emergency financing.
- WB presented its Crisis Preparedness and Reponses Toolkit.
- <u>Improved processes</u>: reallocations, approval of additional funds, streamlined execution.



- JFHTF of the G20
- Global vs regional response





3. Remaining challenges

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Remaining challenges

1. Costed PPR investment and operational plans

2. PPR alignment with MDB programing

3. Impact & sustainability of the Pandemic Fund

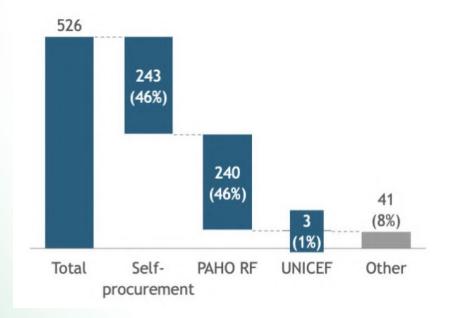
4. Finalize the reform of contingent funding and execution arrangements (countries and MDBs).

5. Develop clear strategies for equitable access to MCMs in emergencies – regional solutions



Regional pooled procurement in LAC

Volume of vaccines procured by origin of manufacturer ¹ and procurement mechanism (pre-pandemic M doses yearly | %)



1. Exercise capacities in peace time that will be needed in a crisis

- 2. Leverage the tools of existing regional institutions
- 3. Mitigate trade offs from different policy goals
- 4. Finance/strengthen common enablers –regional public goods

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