Improving Newborn Survival In Southern **Tanzania**

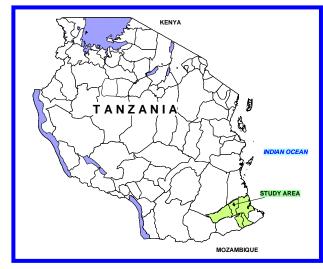
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- Cluster Randomized Trial
 - **–** 2007-2014
 - 222 health facilities
 - 134 randomized wards
 - Over 800 community volunteers



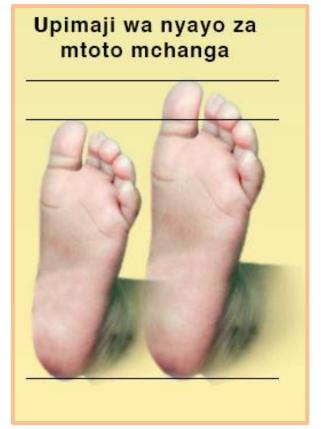


- Home visits to pregnant women
 & early newborns
- Advice on
 - Hygiene at delivery
 - Exclusive breastfeeding
 - Extra care for low birthweight babies





Identifying low birth weight babies







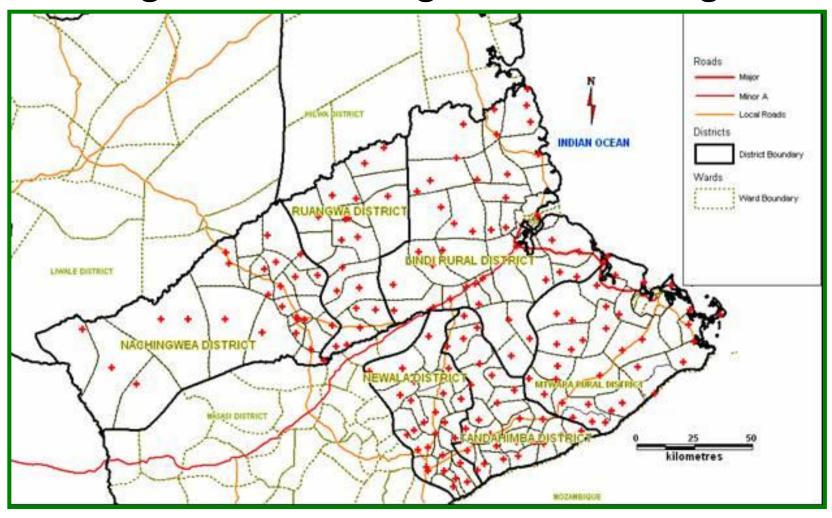
Ongoing since 2007



Counselling the family of a newborn baby

Mtunze Mtoto Mchanga

The study area: Mtwara Rural, Tandahimba, and Newala of Mtwara region and Lindi Rural, Ruangwa and Nachingwea of Lindi Region



S U R V E

The study aims and objectives

Primary aim

 To estimate the effect of Mtunze Mtoto Mchanga on survival to 28 days of babies born between 1 July 2010 and 30 June 2013.

Secondary aims

- To estimate the effect of Mtunze Mtoto Mchanga on prevalence of newborn care practices
- To estimate the coverage of Mtunze Mtoto Mchanga volunteer home visits in pregnancy and the early newborn period
- To estimate coverage of antenatal interventions, place of childbirth, and immediate newborn care indicators
- To estimate maternal mortality in the 4 years prior to the survey

Survival Impact Survey

June – September 2013

200,000 households

4 platoons

20 survey teams

20 supervisors

20 mappers

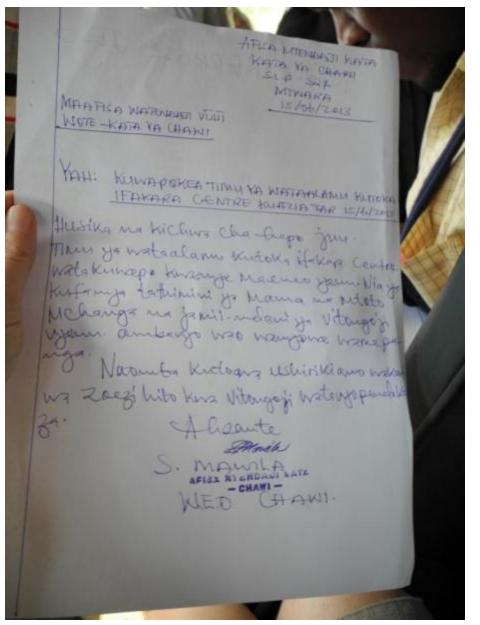
140 interviewers

2 buses + 16 4WD

Preparation of the survey

- Updating list of sub-villages and number expected number of households in each
- Sensitization meeting with WEOs and councillors
- Recruitment of60 new interviewers
- Recruitment of 166 experienced field staff





Gaining support from local official

Training of facilitators

 10 days on interviewing, mapping, facilitation and including 3 days of piloting



Role play on good and bad facilitation skills



3 weeks training 226 potential field staff



Small group practice with Personal Digital Assistants for data entry



Another skill to learn: Tent packing



Last instructions for the first piloting Co-ordinator



Fatuma Manzi, co-PI with trainee mappers and supervisors

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Training the supervisors

Data management and quality control



The Survey Team



Not forgetting the survey team drivers





Team building



Getting ready...



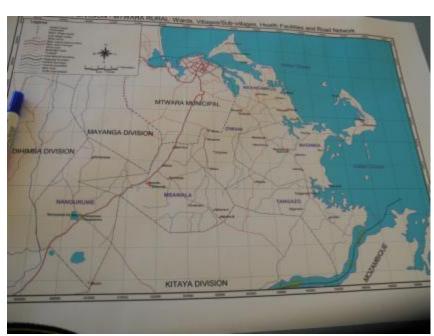
All finally we got on and into the cars....



Team leaving, fully packed with mattresses, tents, generators, supplies and equipment and 200 capacitated and motivated survey staff members

Each survey day...

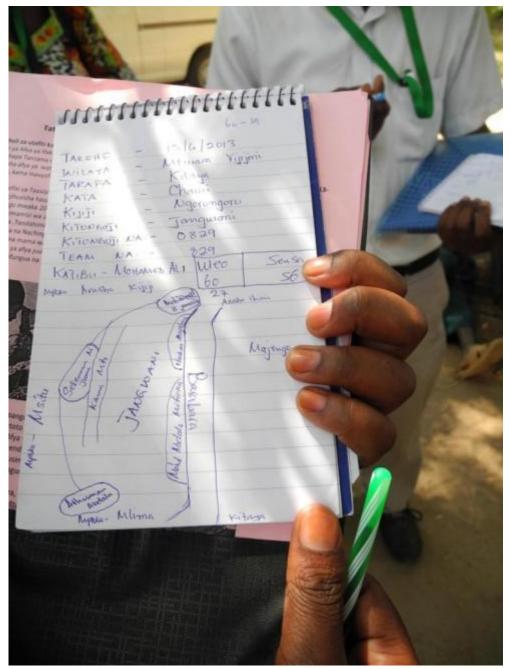
- Commanders plan the daily workload with help of a platoon management tool
- Mappers are mapping at least 1 sub-village
- Seven interviewers are each conducting 15 household interviews
- Supervisors do quality control, summarize, document and analyze the daily progress



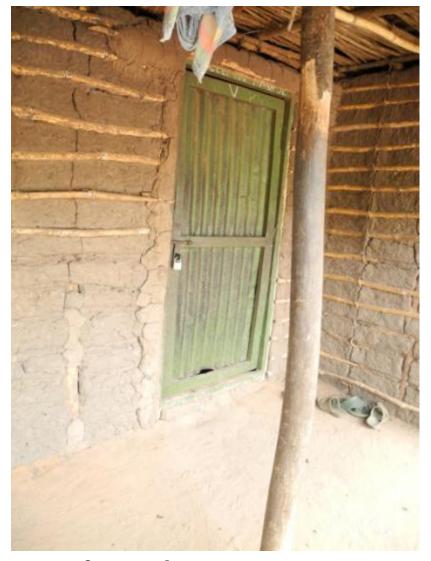
Mapping

Mappers introduce the survey to each household by handing out a letter of invitation to participate; take geographical information data (GIS); and make a complete list of all households to be interviewed





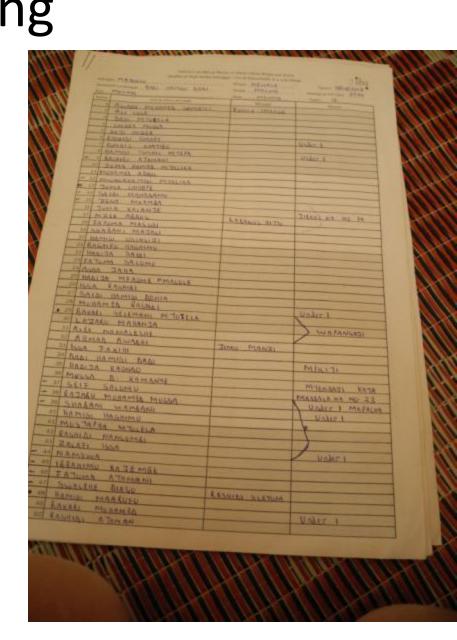
Segmentation of larger sub-villages for sampling



Nobody present.....

The household listing

 Supervisors divide the work and assign households to each interviewer based on this household list produced by the mapper





Interviewers interview each on average 15 households per day

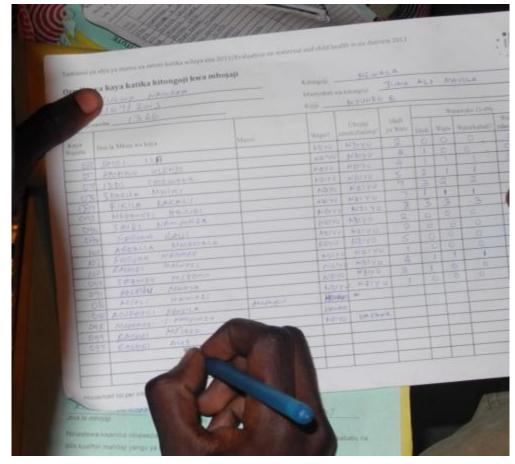
Seeking consent



Interviewing



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Interviewers document their work. Supervisors synchronize the PDAs, then compare a hand-written work sheet with the laptop output and resolve any differences the same day

The supervisors work: quality control



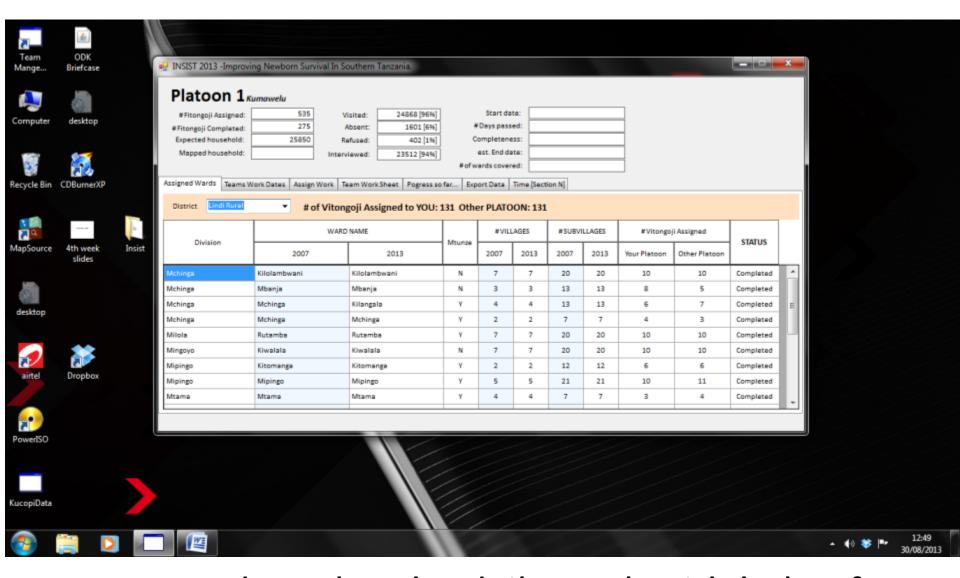
- At least 4 accompanied interviews
- 4 re-interviews for randomly selected households
- GIS coordinates for 2 randomly selected households for mapping quality control
- Review of consent forms
- Compare interviewers daily worksheet with electronically available data



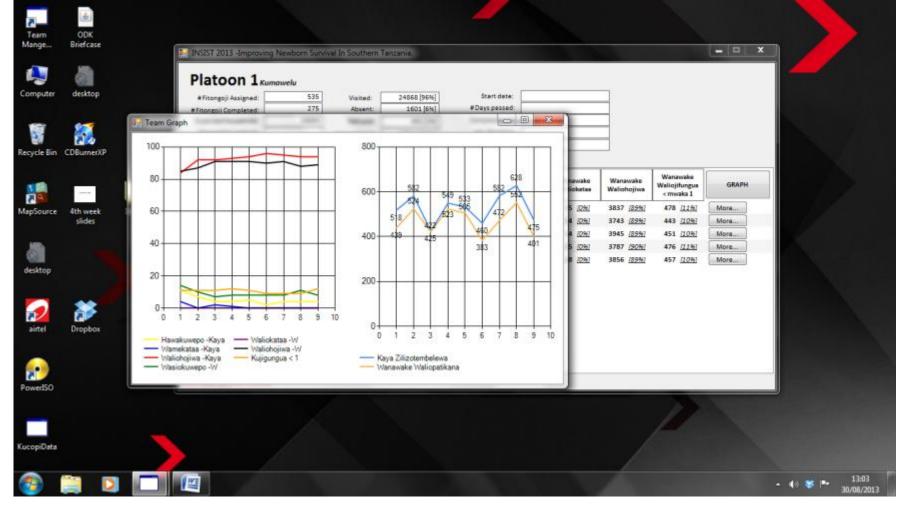
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Additional documentation including error reporting by interviewers



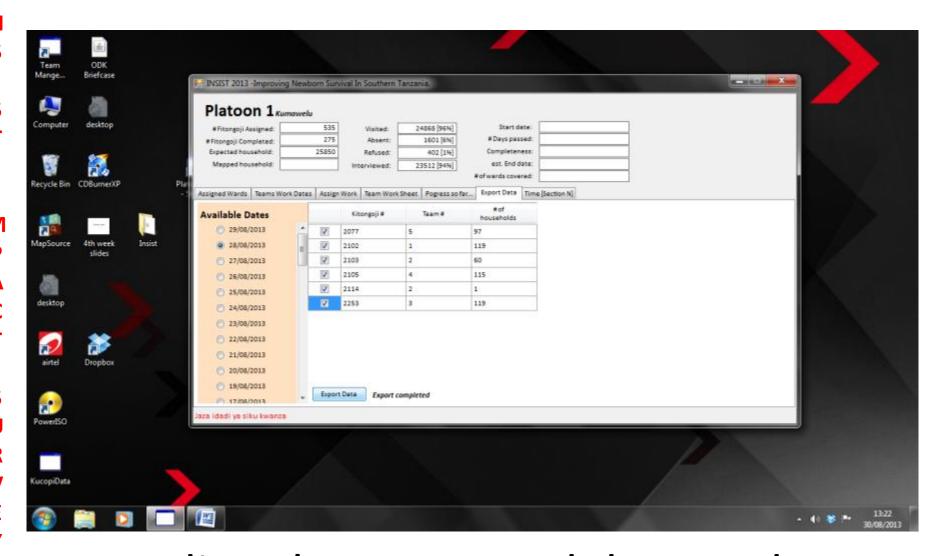
Commanders plan the daily work with help of the platoon management tool



The monitoring tool shows absenteeism of the household heads and women of reproductive age for each interviewer and each team

Data saving

- Data is saved after each interview on the SD card in the PDA
- Each day all data from one team are synchronized and stored on the supervisor's laptop
- Each day the supervisors gives the data to the commander
- Each day the data are send by commanders in an encrypted format to drop-box
- Each week a DVD is prepared from each platoon, and data are transferred to the server in Mtwara and the DVDs are kept in a separate place



Sending the encrypted data to dropbox



In the evening all electronic equipment needs to be charged



The survey accommodation....



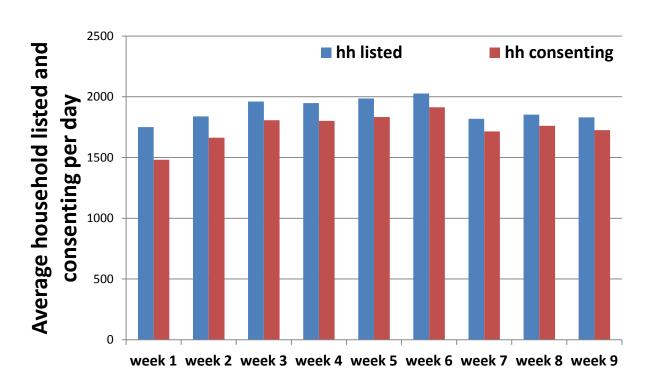
Sunday is time for football



....and washing clothes

Half time progress:

 We included 98,046 households records after 2 months and 90,388 households agreed to participate (92%)











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