Myanmar Ministry of Health and Sports:

Public Private
Dialogue to respond
to COVID-19





Background pre-COVID

GFF collaboration activities include:

- MAMS public-private partnership symposium (August 2019)
- MAMS facilitated public-private meetings (2019)
- On going private health sector assessment including collecting data on private sector and conducting key informant interviews with public and private stakeholders

Then COVID hits!!

 Public and private stakeholders transitioned to joint action planning – 3 week "sprint" – respond to the pandemic

3-week "sprint" created opportunity for first-ever public private dialogue

"Sprint" to develop public-private COVID-19 action plan



PLANNING SESSION #1

Get organized

TECHNICAL SESSION #1

Intl experience

HOMEWORK

Collect data for rapid inventory

PLANNING SESSION #2

- Agree on strategic directions
- Form TWGs by strategic areas

HOMEWORK

- TWG develops strategies
- TWG drafts PPT
- Finalize data collection

PLANNING SESSION #3

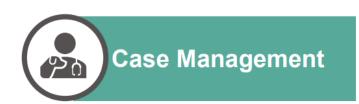
- Review data on PS capacity
- Discuss draft PS strategies and activities
- Prioritize and agree on final strategic areas and activities

HOMEWORK

- Develop draft of PS Action Plan
- Develop a PPT
- Present PS Action Plan to govt
- Limited engagement with private sector before COVID
- 3 week sprint created structure for dialogue
- Very intensive process....
 - Meeting more than three planned times
 - Participants staying much longer
 - Lots of interaction in between meetings

Areas of collaboration (correspond to Myanmar National Plan Pillars)

Pillars in Myanmar National Plan



- Provide guidelines to prepare private sector to treat COVID19 cases if surge hits
- Establish arrangements to deliver essential and emergency services to all patients
- Create mechanism for greater coordination post COVID



- Integrate and coordinate public and private sector testing capacity
- Ensure optimal quality control of tests performed in public and private facilities
- Ramp up testing capacity in private facilities



- Establish mechanism to coordinate all COVID related supplies
- Pool public and private supplies
- Procure centrally select number of COVID essential supplies