Background

Malaria No More (MNM) is a US based non-profit organization that envisions a world where no one dies from a mosquito bite. More than a decade into our mission, our work has contributed to historic progress toward this goal. Now, we're mobilizing the political commitment, funding, and innovation required to achieve what would be one of the greatest humanitarian accomplishments – ending malaria within our generation.

Since our inception – at the White House event that launched the U.S. President's Malaria Initiative in 2006 – MNM has been mobilizing the political commitment, funding and innovation that has contributed to the world turning the tide against malaria. MNM is a global organization with offices in Seattle, Washington, D.C., New York, Kenya, Cameroon, and India and affiliates in London and Tokyo.

Malaria No More India

According to the [WHO World Malaria Report 2018](), India has the world's fourth highest malaria burden, with 1.25 billion people at risk of contracting the disease. **India registered a 24% decrease in malaria cases between 2016 and 2017**, which made India the only country among the 11 highest-burden countries to mark progress in reducing cases of malaria during this timeframe.

India's success follows its commitment in 2015 to eliminate malaria by 2030. Last year, India joined 52 Commonwealth nations in their commitment to halve the malaria burden across the Commonwealth within five years.

In 2016, MNM expanded its operations to support India's 2030 malaria elimination goal. Powered by a dedicated team of technical, programmatic and communication experts based out of Delhi and Bhubaneshwar, we focus on working with high-burden Indian states to reduce malaria cases and deaths using innovative strategies, better data, and new technologies.

At the national level, we are working with the national government to elevate malaria as a priority health issue and support a national behaviour change communications campaign.

The WHO noted that India's recent progress against malaria was due in large part to substantial malaria case reductions in Odisha State, which has the largest burden of malaria in India. Through sustained efforts, such as expanding access to diagnostics and treatment, strengthening data collection, distributing long lasting insecticidal nets and improving health care worker skills, **Odisha recorded a remarkable decline of over 80% in reported malaria cases and deaths between 2017 and 2018**.

To further Odisha's goal to end malaria, [MNM signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Government of Odisha]() in 2018. The partnership seeks to support expansion of Odisha's innovative strategies and strengthen Odisha's malaria program capacity to have even greater impact moving forward. In addition, MNM will help Odisha to create a replicable success model

for other high burden states to similarly drive down malaria cases and deaths as part of India's national malaria elimination strategy.

Specifically, MNM is providing technical assistance to the Odisha Vector Borne Disease Control Programme (VBDCP) to:
- support overall strategy development;
- strengthen malaria surveillance and reporting;
- improve data collection and data-driven decision-making;
- enhance private health sector reporting of malaria; and,
- create compelling health education and behaviour-change campaigns.

MNM is also working with the Odisha government to engage a range of leading technical, academic, private sector, and media partners to support expansion of Odisha's drive toward malaria elimination. In January 2019, the global health company Abbott announced its commitment to support Odisha's efforts with a donation of rapid diagnostic tests for use by the Odisha government, and funding to MNM to increase the impact of our work in Odisha.

Context

Complementing advocacy efforts, MNM India plans to develop and roll out national thought-leader and behaviour-change communications campaigns to accelerate progress toward India's malaria elimination goal. At the request of India's National Vector Borne Disease Control Program (NVBDCP), MNM is recently developed the strategy for the first national campaign focused on mosquito borne disease. This strategy will appropriately link malaria with other mosquito borne diseases such as dengue and chikungunya. Though those diseases affect fewer Indians than malaria, they garner more media and public attention due to their existence in major cities.

MNM is preparing to rollout the strategy in 2019 – leading the development of creative assets, as well as implementation at a national level and across key states. Doing so will require the rapid scaling up of MNM's communications capacity in India, and the recruitment and resourcing of a top creative agency to lead the work. A strong behaviour change communications effort will drive immediate health impact, and reinforce political will and social mobilization by creating high-profile and accessible platforms through which decision makers and officials can engage.

Malaria No More India is seeking a Research, Data Management and M&E Manager to support MNM India's mandate designed to support the national programme in achieving India's malaria elimination goal. Based in Bhubaneshwar, Odisha the Research, Data Management and M&E Manager will work collaboratively with the Technical and Programme team of Malaria No More at Delhi and Government of Odisha, while reporting to the State Lead

Research, Data Management and M&E Manager will be responsible for the monitoring and ensuring high quality and timely inputs, and for ensuring that the project maintains its strategic vision and that its activities result in the achievement of its intended outputs in a cost effective and timely manner. S/He will also be responsible for designing and implementing the M&E activities of the Project; assisting the Technical Lead in preparing Quarterly/Annual reports on

project progress and will monitor the project activities on a regular basis, and will be responsible for the collection & analysis of different data in relation to the project activities.

Location

Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Specific Responsibilities

Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E)

- Develop comprehensive plan for M&E and ensure that an effective a participatory M&E system is established.
- Develop formats, log frame, matrix for monitoring and evaluation of the implementation in collaboration with MNM Central Team and State VBDCP.
- Develop or refine indicators for malaria in pregnancy and childhood and for the other/new projects for MNM.
- Develop and implement methodology for programme evaluation.

Data Management

- Manage requests for data from the state and third parties – including liaising with internal staff and external collaborators to provide data and maintenance of a database detailing the status of such external data requests.
- Manage data of new and existing epidemiology studies. Tasks to include designing, building and maintaining data capture, data entry and data storage systems; receiving and managing data from various external and internal collaborators and ensuring that data storage is logical and simple for use.
- Set up and maintain an efficient health management information system (HMIS) for data generated by the project for assessments and evaluation.
- Ensure that security and confidentiality of all the data is maintained.

Project Implementation

- Provide leadership in the development of project operational research assignments including the use of statistical packages such as SPSS, R, Epi Info etc.
- Assist in all technical components of project formulation and project implementation especially for newer components.
- Coordinate with MNM Central Team and State VBDCP to ensure quality implementation of programme.
- Promote preparedness for stockouts of Abbott supplied RDTs and ensuring rapid response.
- Prepare a Supply Chain plan to disseminate the RDTs in consultation with State VBDCP and MNM Central Team and ensure the proper supply, usage, tracking of RDTs

- Work in close coordination with State VBDCP and provide support/inputs wherever necessary to ensure the quality of the deliverables.
- Participate in the meetings called by State VBDCP to support in review, analyses of programmatic data/reports, as necessary.
- Training/capacity building of the health staff on malaria, as necessary.

Reporting

- Evaluate results of specific reports and integrate these into planning and project implementation.
- Prepare progress reports and analyse these reports in terms of problem and actions needed.
- Liaise with State VBDCP in consultation with MNM Central Team, in relation to reports and to provide timely feedback on agreed areas/indicators.

External Contact Working Relationships

- Malaria No More
- Malaria No More affiliates in United Kingdom and Japan
- Central government, state government(s) and non-government departments/ agencies
- Donor Institutions – Bilateral, Multi-lateral, Foundations etc.
- Other NGOs – UNICEF and other organizations in the malaria community (i.e. RBM Partnership to End Malaria, APLMA)
- Creative agencies
- Training institutions

Profile & Qualifications

- Minimum Master's degree in Public Health, Population Studies, Statistics, Social Sciences or similar field; Ph.D. or other advanced degree strongly preferred.
- At least 6 years of related M&E and Knowledge Management (KM) work experience. Candidates with experience in the National / State malaria Programme preferred.
- Experience using quantitative statistical and qualitative data analysis software
- Demonstrated skills in conducting research, developing research protocols, articulating research questions, quantitative and/or qualitative data analysis and management, and in development of knowledge management and dissemination products such as reports, briefs, and case studies.
- Thorough knowledge and understanding of the health programs.
- Ability to handle multiple tasks simultaneously, prioritize assignments, work effectively under pressure, and meet deadlines.
- Demonstrated skill and effectiveness in communicating with others, particularly technical and program project staff.

- Proven ability to work well with diverse groups and as part of a team using a consultative and collaborative approach.
- Excellent verbal and writing skills.
- Microsoft Office computer skills, proficiency in Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook.
- Strategically sound
- Strong operational skills with attention to detail
- Professional maturity: good team player and goal-oriented approach