



Using a Market Development Approach to Strengthen Markets for Family Planning

Sindh Province, Pakistan

Frontier Health Markets (FHM) Engage

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- Describe the FHM Engage approach to understanding FP markets
- Highlight key demand and supply findings
- Discuss key market constraints and their implications for program design

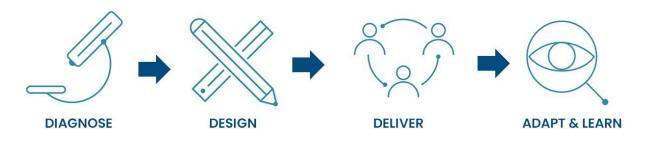


Market Development Approach



Market Development Approach develops health market systems

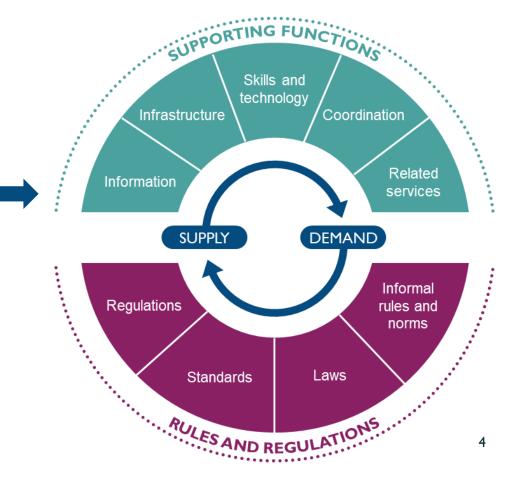
MDA follows a four-step process





- ✓ Aligns understanding of priority health problem and current role of the private sector
- ✓ Identifies market challenges, market entry point and possible market interventions
- ✓ Reveals areas for further data gathering/analysis for DIAGNOSIS

The Market Systems Framework guides the market description



MDA Step I: Market Diagnosis

DESCRIPTION OF CONSUMER USE AND NEED

Use / Need Analysis

Trends related to Use / Need

Quality of Use

DESCRIPTION OF MARKET FUNCTIONS AND STRUCTURE

Describe all market players

Understand Macro and Policy Trends

Understand market breadth and depth

Manufacturers

Distributors / wholesalers

Service providers

Outlet providers

ANALYSIS OF MARKET FAILURES AND ROOT CAUSES

Key information

Key Insights

Identify Market Constraints

Ver. I Strategic Logic Model



Data Sources and Methodologies

Data Sources



Demographic and Health Surveys



Country Census



Sales/distribution data



Key informant interviews



Policy review



Supply chain review



Financing review



Methodologies

- Primary data collection
- 2 Secondary data collection
- Competitive landscape

Market Diagnosis:

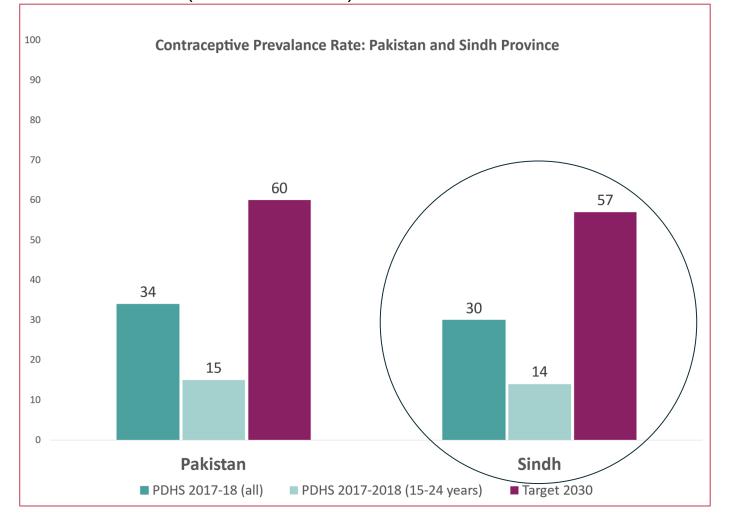
Contraceptive Use and Need



Low Contraceptive Use, Especially Among the Young

The Sindh FP2030 commitment is to raise the CPR from 30% to 57% by 2030

-- Youth CPR (15-24 married): 14% in Sindh





| Population | 57.9 million |
|---------------|--------------|
| # of FP users | 2.5 million |
| CPR | 30%* |

*Note: this includes only married women; no information is available for unmarried women

Who is the market failing in Sindh

Non-Users

Discontinuers

Unmarried Women

Who is the Market Failing?

2.5 million

MWRA who need FP but are not using modern FP methods

0.8 million

MWRA projected to discontinue a method in 12 months

>3 million

Young, unmarried WRA
Need for contraception
not calculated and not included in
demand estimates

6.3 million

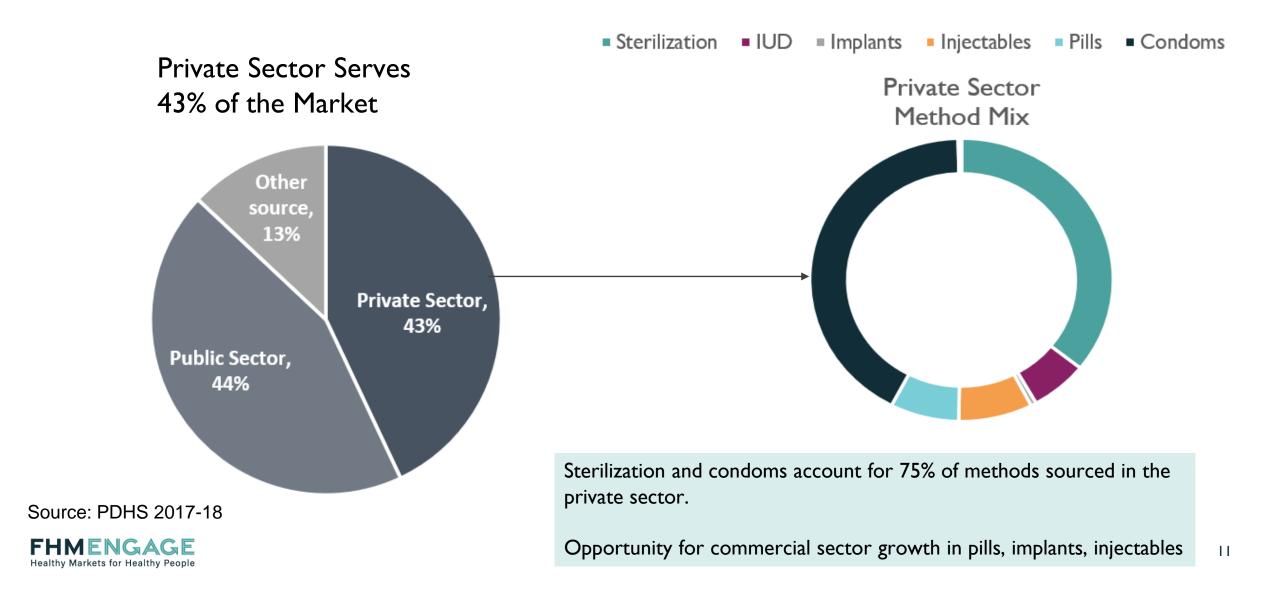
Women in Sindh



Contraceptive Supply



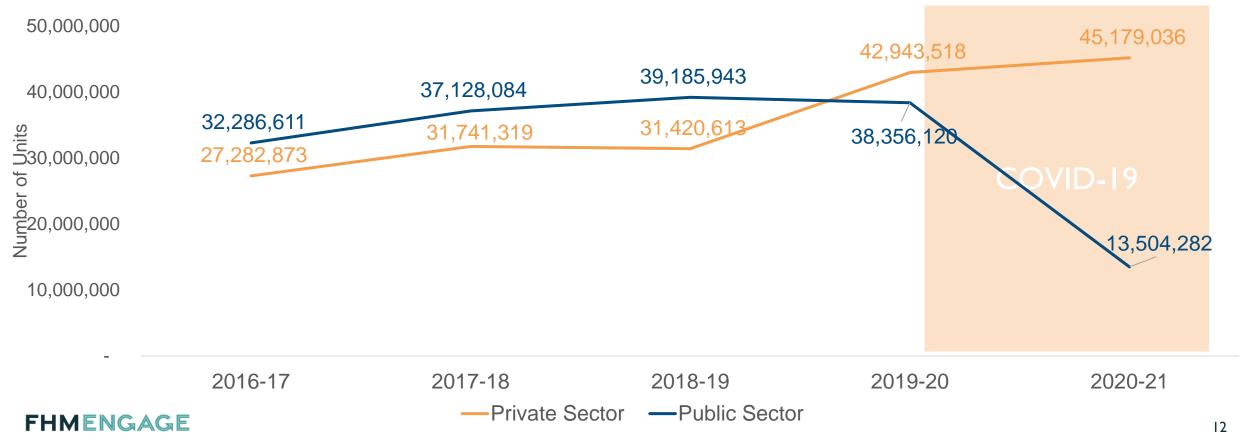
Source of Contraceptives: Skewed Method Mix in Private Sector



SINDH – Public & Private Sector Contraceptive Service Delivery 2016 – 2021

Public sector outperformed the private sector in contraceptive service delivery from 2016-17 to 2019-20.

In 2020-21, government LHWs and providers were **re-tasked to COVID-19** testing and screening units.



Overview of FP Product Market in Sindh













| METHODS | PILLS | EC | IUD | IMPLANT | INJECTABLE | CONDOM |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|---|--|-----------------------------|
| Registered Products | • COC (6) • POP (?) | Levonorgestrel .75mg (I) Levonorgestrel I.5mg (I) | Hormonal (2) Multiload; Safeload Copper (8) Suppliers: India, China, Brazil | Jadelle (Bayer)Implanon (NV Organon) | Depo-Provera (Pfizer) Femiject (PSI) Norigest (Bayer) Sayana Press (Pfizer) | • >90 brands |
| Price to Client (Public Sector) Free | | Free | Free | Free | Free | Free |
| Price to Client (Private Sector) | ~\$0.11 USD to ~\$2 USD | ~\$0.06 USD to ~ \$0.07 USD | ~\$0.7 USD | ~\$12.3 USD to ~ \$17.6 USD | ~\$0.83USD | ~\$0.03USD to ~\$7.03USD |



Contraceptive Demand

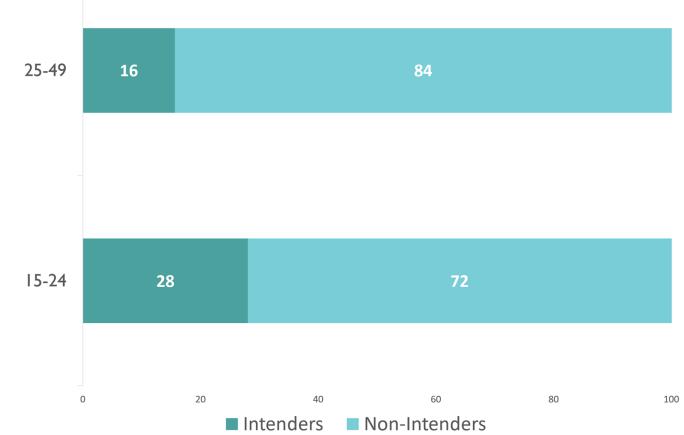


Intention to Use Modern FP by Age

Married women ages 15-24 have the *highest proportion* of intenders (28%), while those 25-49 have the highest *total number* of intenders (1.9)

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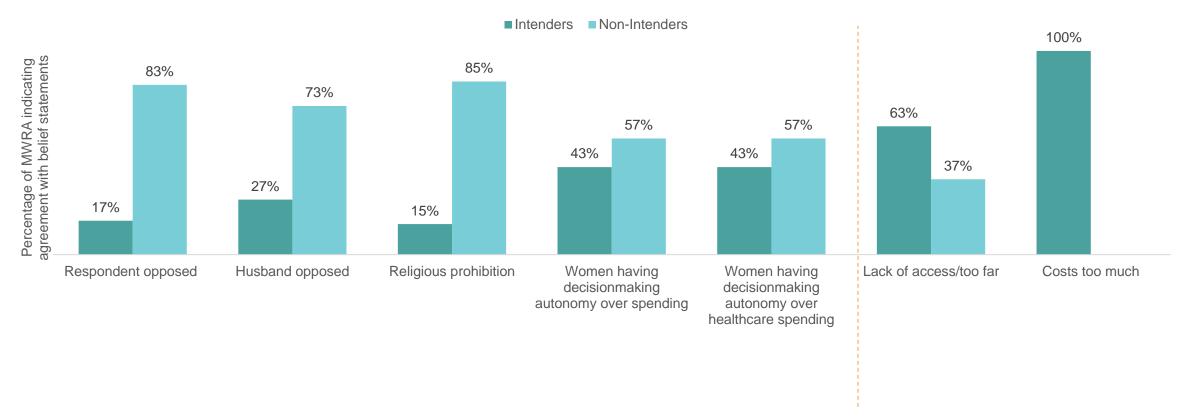
| Age | TOTAL |
|-------|-------|
| 15-24 | 0.9 m |
| 25-49 | 1.9 m |
| 15-49 | 2.8 m |





Predictors of Intention and Use

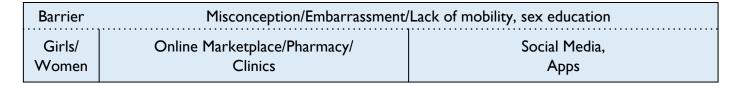
Lack of access/distance to and cost of FP services are primary barriers to adoption of FP by intenders.





Key Findings of Co-Design Sessions with Youth

| Profile | Preferred Source for Obtaining Modern Contraception | Preferred Source for Obtaining Information | |
|-----------|---|--|--|
| Barrier | Misconceptions/Embarrassment/Lack of sex education | | |
| Boys/ Men | Pharmacy/Medical Store, Online Marketplace | Online media, blogs, chat bots | |



| Barrier | | Stigma/ | /Shame | |
|---------|-----|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| | MSM | Online Marketplace/Pharmacy/CBOs | Social Media, Dating Apps | |

| Barrier | Stigma/Shame | | |
|---------|--------------|--|--|
| Trans | CBOs | Social Media, Awareness Videos, Focal Persons (Gurus) | |



Unmarried young people and other vulnerable populations prefer information through digital channels



Unmarried young people and other vulnerable populations prefer to use pharmacies or online marketplaces for contraception



Market Constraints

Causes of Underperformance and

Opportunities



KEY ISSUES

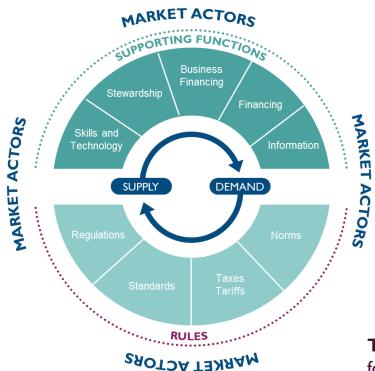
Market Constraints in Sindh

STEWARDSHIP: No clear stewardship roles for the private sector. Widespread fragmentation of coordination between sectors.

SUPPLY: Private sector provision skewed to condoms and sterilization. Gap in meeting the needs of youth for spacing (STMs). Fragmented digital supply.

REGULATIONS: Product registration and restrictive import regulations

SKILLS: Lack of youth-friendly trained providers.



INFORMATION (D): Myths and misconceptions hinder uptake.

Restrictive youth access to information, unfavorable social and cultural norms, and information censors for young people.

DEMAND: Women in urban areas, particularly youth, have an unmet need.

Digital platforms offering access to contraceptives are not tailored to youth needs.

Unmarried and vulnerable youth are not counted

TAXES: General sales tax and customs duty unfavorable for import of commodities



STANDARDS: The market is failing women who discontinue their method due to quality of care (QoC) experiences and standards.

Opportunities for Strengthening the Role of the Private Sector

FHM Engage Focus Areas



Priority Market Interventions

Recommendation I

Market stewardship led by private sector

A platform for private sector market actors to access market intelligence and advocate for regulatory reforms and business support

Recommendation 2

Increase youth demand through a youth-directed market solution

Online FP Marketplace



THANK YOU

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