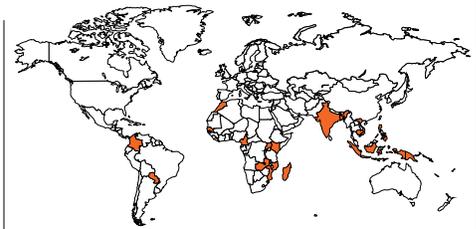


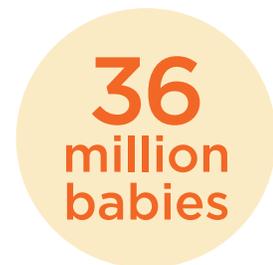


Data for Health

The Global Health Advocacy Incubator (GHA) supports the strengthening of civil registration, vital statistics and identity management (CRVSID) systems to ensure every birth and death is registered and everybody is considered in policy planning.



Where we work: **Bangladesh, Cambodia, Cameroon, Colombia, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Madagascar, Morocco, Mozambique, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Philippines, Senegal, Uganda, Vietnam and Zambia.**



are born each year without their births being registered.



go unregistered each year.



live in countries with no standardized, reliable system for collecting birth and death data.

Activities

GHA supports governments to strengthen CRVSID systems through:

- **Legal Review and Reform:** Analysis and review of countries' CRVSID legal frameworks and support for legal reforms, including legislative drafting, cross government coordination and technical assistance for the adoption of laws and regulations.
- **Budget Sustainability:** Technical guidance to government agencies responsible for CRVS systems aimed at strengthening domestic budget allocations and institutional frameworks.
- **Gender Equity:** Technical assistance to build CRVSID systems that are inclusive of and responsive to the needs of women, girls and gender diverse people, and support to governments to improve the registration rates of women's deaths and stillbirths to inform public health policymaking.
- **Building Political Will:** Civil society capacity strengthening to build political prioritization and public demand for stronger CRVSID systems.



Program Profile

Our Impact

GHAI has supported 55 countries to conduct comprehensive legal reviews of their CRVSID frameworks; adopt new CRVSID laws; sustain or increase CRVSID budgets; and/or advance gender equity within CRVSID systems. Examples include:

- **Cambodia:** Supported the drafting of a comprehensive new CRVSID law adopted in 2023, along with its implementing regulations.
- **Cameroon:** Undertook a comprehensive legal review with recommendations that were incorporated in a new CRVS law in 2024.
- **India:** GHAI worked with the Rajasthan state government to launch “Project 1000” to streamline the issuance of transgender birth certificates.
- **Maldives:** Supported the adoption and financing of new mobile ID registration technology and a new cadre of local civil registrars.
- **Zambia:** Partnered with the local organization Maternal Health Action Zambia (MHAZ) to help secure a 67% budget increase for Civil Registration Services.

Success Story

Legal Reform in Papua New Guinea

The Challenge:

Papua New Guinea’s (PNG’s) civil and identity registration law dated back to 1963 and was no longer suitable for a modern, digital CRVS system.

GHAI’s Role:

GHAI undertook a legal and regulatory review in 2018, working with the PNG government to produce a comprehensive analysis and recommendations report, followed up with technical support for draft legislation and implementing regulations.

The Result:

PNG’s national parliament passed the new Civil and Identity Registration (CIR) Act in 2024, providing a comprehensive new framework for digitized, compulsory and coordinated registration of births, deaths and marriages.

GHAI Resources

- [CRVS Legal and Regulatory Toolkit](#)
- [CVRVS Budget Sustainability Toolkit](#)
- [CRVS Laws Database](#)
- [CRVS Legal E-learning Course](#)
- [A Visual Guide to Benefits of CRVS Systems](#)

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Our vision is a healthier and more equitable future for all.