## > Exercise: Using Health Information

## Modules 1 \& 2 - Population and Mortality

## Q1

You are the Medical Officer in a camp. It is the end of the reporting month, and you are busy compiling the statistics for the Monthly Report.
(a) Look at Table 1. How is this information currently collected in your camp(s)?
(b) Complete the missing indicator values for Females 15-49 and Pregnant and Lactating women, using agreed population estimates in the Standard and Indicator Guide.

Table 1

| Population | Male | Female | Total |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Total Population | 16975 | 17667 | 34642 |
| Number of live births | 60 | 58 | 118 |
| Number of infants <1 year | 694 | 602 | 1296 |
| Number of children <5 years | 3332 | 3291 | 6623 |
| Number of females 15-49 years |  |  |  |
| Number of pregnant and lactating |  |  |  |

## Q2

Look at Table 2 showing the number of age-specific deaths this month.
(a) Using the population figures in Table 1, calculate the following mortality rates per 1000 population per month:
(Hint - Use Standard and Indicator Guide to help with formulae)
i. Crude Mortality Rate
ii. Under Five Mortality Rate
iii. Crude Male Mortality Rate
iv. Under Five Female Mortality Rate
(b) Compare your results with the benchmarks in the Standards and Indicators Guide. Are any results of concern? What else would you like to know?

Table 2

| Mortality by Age | Refugee |  |  | National |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $<1$ | $\geq 1<5$ | $\geq 5$ | $<5$ |  |
| $\geq 5$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Female | 8 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

## Q3

You have now received information on the causes of the deaths that occurred during the month (see Table 3).
(a) Calculate the following crude or under five proportional mortality rates for the following diseases (as specified):
i. Malaria (U5)
ii. LRTI (U5)
iii. Tuberculosis (Crude)
(b) Calculate the following mortality indicators:
i. Neonatal Mortality Rate
ii. Maternal Mortality Ratio
iii. Look at the Standards and Indicators Guide. How would you interpret these results and what would your next steps be?
(c) Now calculate the Infant Mortality Rate. Is this within acceptable limits? How does this help explain the U5MR calculated in Q2, and what would your response be to this information?

Table 3

| Mortality by Cause | Refugee |  |  |  |  | Total Crude | National |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male | $\text { < } 5$ <br> Female | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ <5 \end{gathered}$ | Male | $\geq 5$ <br> Female |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Malaria (confirmed) | 2 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| 2. LRTI | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3. Watery diarrhoea | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4. Bloody diarrhoea | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5. Tuberculosis | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6. Measles | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7. Meningitis | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 8. AIDS | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9. Maternal death |  |  |  |  | 1 | 1 |  | 0 | 0 |
| 10. Neonatal death | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |  | 3 |  |  | 0 |
| 11. Acute malnutrition | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Total | 5 | 12 | 17 | 5 | 1 | 23 | 1 | 1 | 2 |

