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Promoting child rights to end child poverty



What's the issue?

51 million children unregistered each year

- 23 million in South Asia alone
- 66% of U5's are not registered in sub-Saharan Africa



“Who am I? Where did I come from? What’s my nationality? All I know is that my name is Murni, but I don’t have proof for that.” Child in Indonesia

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The Global Agenda

- Poverty Alleviation
- Gender Equality
- Citizenship and Democracy
- Millennium Development Goals
- Child protection issue

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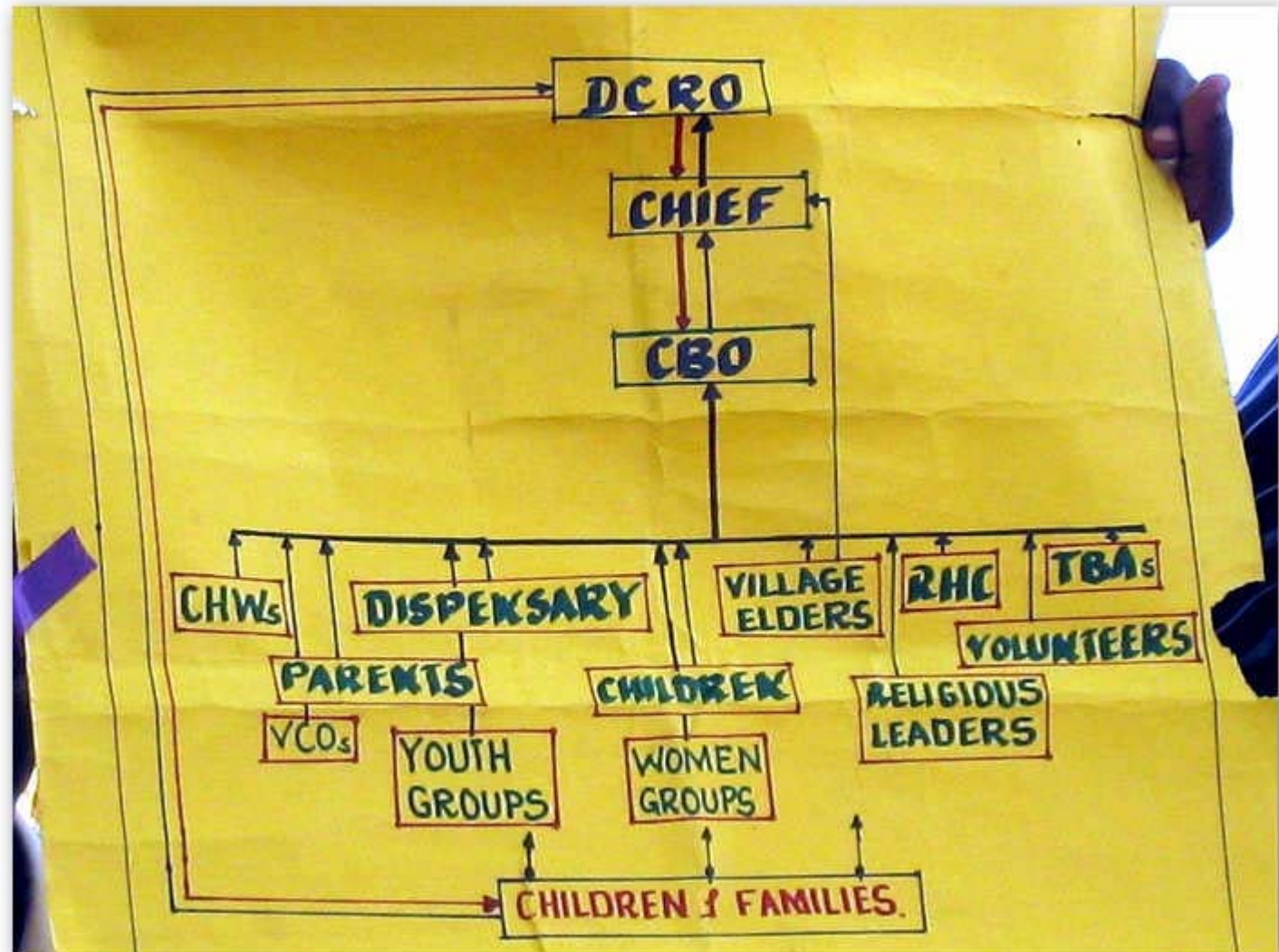
The challenges included...

- Low awareness
- High infant mortality
- Remote areas
- Minority ethnic groups
- Centralised registration
- Complicated systems and bureaucracy
- Lack of equipment
- Insufficient training for registrars

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One simplified system in Kenya



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The solutions...

- **New technology** – registering via text message
- **Outreach** – mass rallies in Cambodia, film festival in Burkina Faso
- **Using local systems** – scanning village registers in Tanzania
- **Child Participation** – in Indonesia, children speak up for registration in schools and on radio
- **Changing the law** - the Bangladeshi government passed an Act allowing certificates to be free for millions of children



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Making paper systems better



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Ensuring sustainability

- Increase capacity (1) eg Paraguay
- Increase capacity (2) eg Mozambique
- Increase capacity (3) eg India
- Educate, raise awareness eg Cameroon
- Engaging the community eg in Indonesia
- Integration eg Columbia

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Costs...



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| | Expenditure (US\$) 2005 - 09 | Number of new registrations claimed over the period of 2005-09 | Number of registrations per (US\$) | US\$ per claimed registered child |
|---------------|------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| All countries | \$15.7m | 40.6m | 2.59 | \$0.39 |

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Plan's results in five years

- **40.6million** direct registrations
- A further **153.3million** potential registrations in 10 countries
- Able to provide **expert advice** on operational, technical and practical issues





Recap

- It's a child rights and protection issue
- It makes sense for governments
- It can be cost effective
- There is technical and financial help available

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Thank you !



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