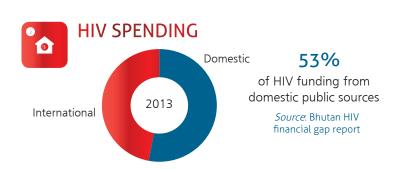
HIV/AIDS in BHUTAN





EPIDEMIC (LOW)

- Estimated adult (15+) HIV prevalence
- HIV prevalence among MSM
- HIV prevalence among PWID
- HIV prevalence among sex workers





POLICIES AND GUIDELINES

HIV testing

Geographically prioritized, risk-based testing; PITC in ANC, TB and STI clinics; use 3-test algorithm

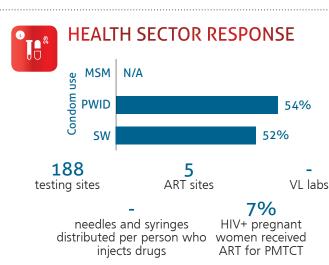
ART

At CD4 count <500 cells/mm³; irrespective of CD4 count for TB, hepatitis B, pregnant women, serodiscordant couples, children <5 years

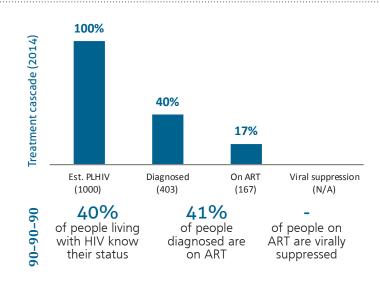
Viral load testing

Recommended at 6 months and yearly thereafter

Source: National ART guidelines, 2014



Sources: GARPR, AIDSInfo [online database] (accessed Nov. 2015); Country progress report





IMPACT

1000

est. people living with HIV

est. AIDS-related deaths

est. new HIV infections

drugs; STI sexually transmitted infection; SW sex worker; TB tuberculosis; VL viral load

new HIV infections among children

TB-related deaths among PLHIV

Sources: UNAIDS country progress report, 2015; AIDSInfo [online database] (accessed Nov. 2015)



PUNITIVE LAWS, STIGMA & DISCRIMINATION

Criminalization

of sex work, same-sex relationships

Source: AIDSInfo [online database] (accessed Nov. 2015)



WAY FORWARD

- » Scale up HIV services along the continuum of care.
- » Strengthen routine data collection and surveillance.

ANC antenatal care; ART antiretroviral therapy; est. estimated; GARPR Global AIDS Response Progress Reporting; KP key population; MSM men who have sex with men; PITC provider-initiated HIV testing and counselling; PLHIV people living with HIV; PMTCT prevention of mother-to-child transmission; PWID people who inject