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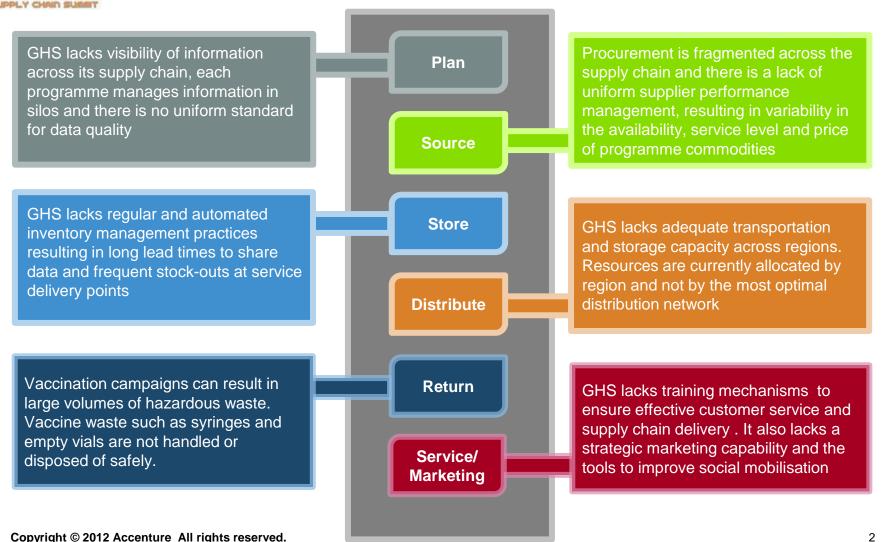
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Ghana Health Services faces several challenges across its value chain, each impacting the overall availability and access of medicines at service delivery points

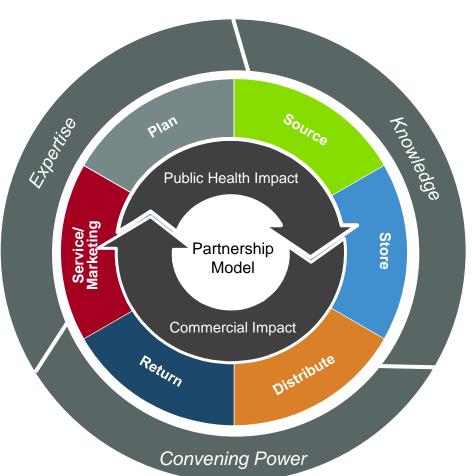
Ghana Health Services (GHS) Challenges Summary





There is an opportunity to make a significant impact on the health sector challenges in Ghana by leveraging the learnings and management approaches that are well proven in the private sector

Large Beverage Company (LBS) and GHS Partnership Model



Strategy



At its core, the partnership model is intended to identify areas where the commercial capabilities of LBS can be shared and brought to bear on challenges in the public health system

Partnership Focus Areas



The partnership model focuses on and is limited to areas where there is a clear role for LBS to support GHS in its transformation journey

LBS Contribution

Across these focus areas, LBS will contribute in three ways:



- Expertise: Provide project advisors to support the core project team
- Institutional Knowledge: Provide operational knowledge and best practices
- Convening Power: Through its brand, support the team to engage other partners

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LBS supports by providing expertise, institutional knowledge and through its convening power support the programme to engage other partners

LBS Contribution



Expertise

- LBS provides parttime project advisors to support the core project team
- This contribution directly reduces the overall project cost and improves the overall quality of the outcomes



Institutional Knowledge

- LBS provides tacit process and solution knowledge to support delivery of the GHS projects
- This knowledge includes processes, technology blueprints and methodologies



Convening Power

- LBS is recognised as the world's most valuable brand
- LBS through its brand and relationships supports the project to interact and obtain support from other relevant private sector partners (e.g. DHL, Vodacom etc.)



Development Impact

- All of these factors create value for the project and reduces the overall project delivery costs
- Through the contribution of knowledge and people, the contribution from LBS improves the quality of the outcomes and as result has a direct public health impact

Each contribution factor has a tangible impact on the quality of the project outcomes and as a result has a direct impact on public health



LBS provides deep institutional knowledge and capacity across each of the identified capabilities

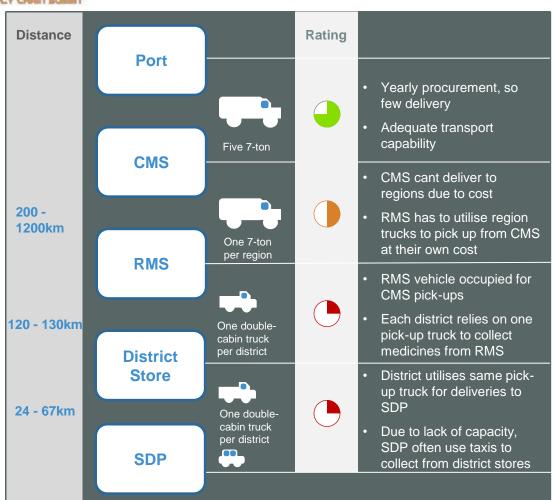
Partnership Focus Areas Interventions I BS Contribution





There is a lack of adequate transportation and storage capacity across regions. Resources are currently allocated uniformly by region and not by the most optimal national distribution network

GHS Network Optimization Challenge



Major Findings

- Transportation is managed separately at each level of the supply chain
- CMS manages five 7 ton trucks for ad-hoc deliveries, RMS uses its trucks for regional deliveries as well as to pick up medicines from CMS, while SDP have to rely on the availability of transport from the DHA

Key Challenges include:

- Lack of vehicles (one truck for each region)
- Long distances between CMS, RMS and district health facilities
- Bad road networks causing delays and longer travelling time; leading to fewer distribution rounds in a day
- Aged and Inadequate transport fleet
- Each region incurs additional cost for collecting medicine from CMS



LBS has implemented multi-tier distribution network and makes use of distribution partners at each tier to ensure adequate availability of its products

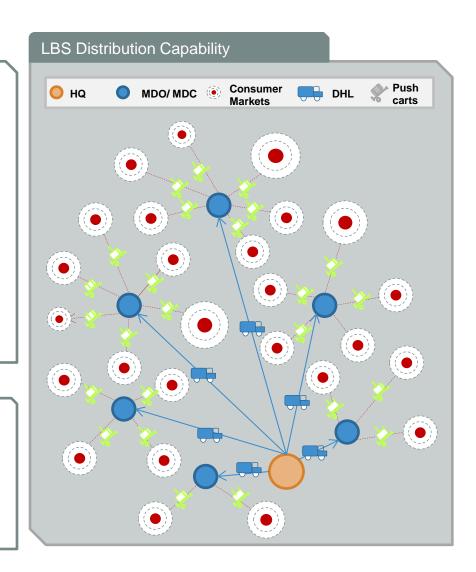
LBS Best Practices

Overview of LBS Capability

- LBS operates a multi-tier distribution model. Products are distributed via an outsourcing partner (DHL) from its main warehouse to its depots and micro distribution centres
- From there the MDC manages push carts or motorised tricycles to deliver products to the final consumer
- In emerging markets like Ghana, LBS quickly realised that it does not have the required capability to manage distribution in hard to reach areas and required a partner that had already built the necessary distribution infrastructure
- LBS also conduct regular studies to determine the most optimal location of its depots and distribution routes to reduce costs and improve service levels

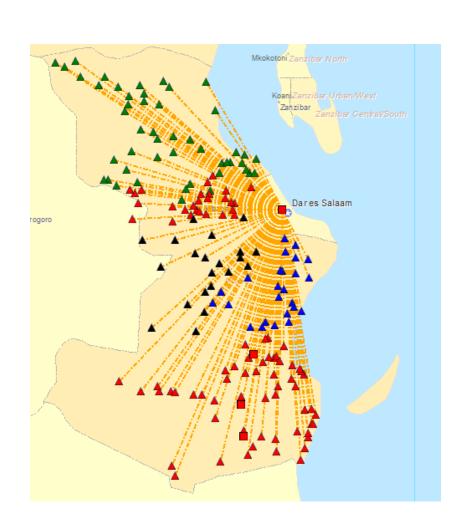
Key Lessons Learned

- Leverage partner capabilities to strengthen value chain
- Build robust mechanisms with outsourcing partner to ensure service levels are maintained and agree on a costing model that incentivises partner to improve performance
- Conduct frequent network studies to optimise use of own and partner resources



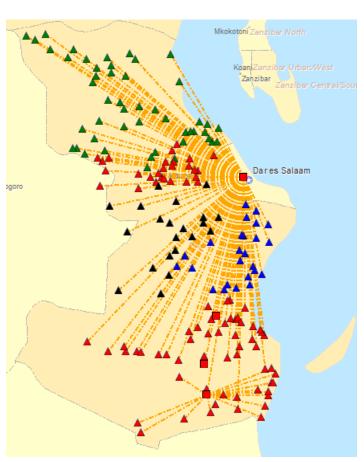


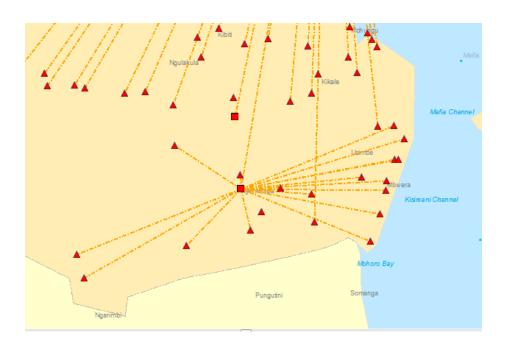
Baseline Centre of Gravity Diagram





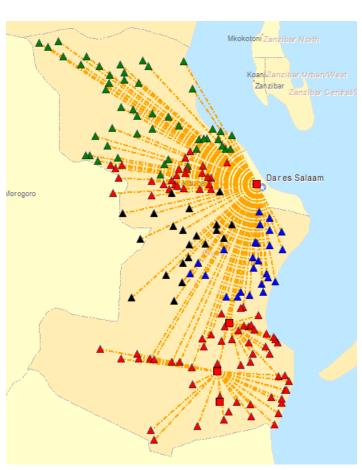
Optimization Scenario in Dry Season

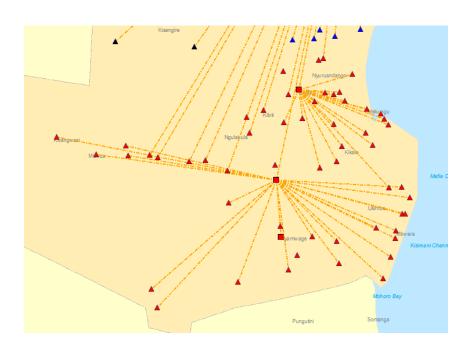






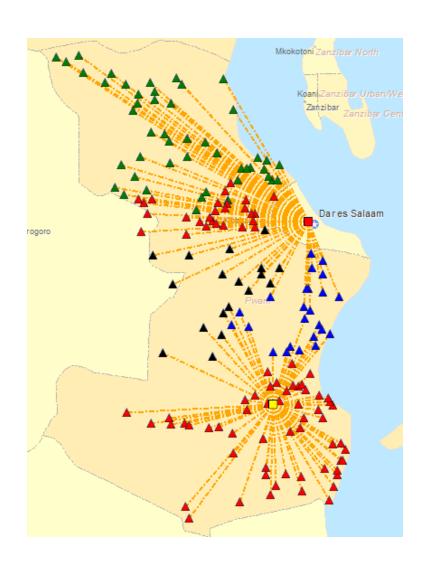
Optimization Scenario in Wet Season







Baseline Regional Center of Gravity – 1 node





This partnership can provide significant benefits for Public Health and LBS. The scale of benefits will be greatest when there is long term commitment from both sectors

Partnership Benefits

GHS/MoH Benefits

Access

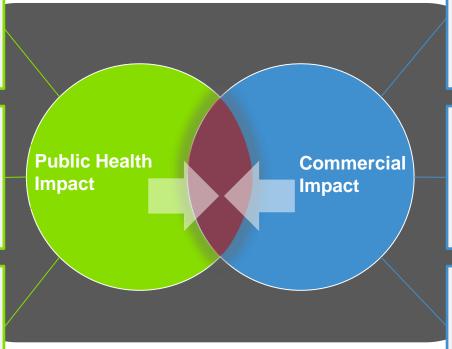
 Ability to leverage and learn from corporate supply chain capabilities to increase access to key goods and services (e.g. vaccines)

Social Mobilisation

 Ability to learn from corporate marketing strategies to increase the awareness and uptake

Human Capital Development

 Ability to learn HR techniques from Private sector to provide people with the skills to succeed and sustain the change



LBS Benefits

Shareholder Expectations

- Firms adopting corporate social responsibility policies receive more favourable stock analyst ratings
- Positive CSR strategies are perceived as value-creating

Brand and Reputation

- Differentiate products and services to increasingly savvy consumers
- Drive greater employee engagement

Licence to Operate

- Enhanced relationship and influence with emerging market governments
- Rising expectations of host governments and citizens on role of business

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The following factors will influence successful and sustainable implementation of the chosen recommendations

Critical Success Factors

1	The exercise must be driven from the top	Ensure leadership support for the project all the way up to the Ministry: Having a dedicated sponsor at the top to drive transformation signals commitment
2	Achievable Scope, Fast Pace	Keep momentum throughout the implementation by driving to achievable milestones. Focus on value realisation and deliver demonstrable benefits quickly to maintain buy-in for the changes
3	Metrics, Metrics, Metrics	Define clear metrics and accountability. Screen initiatives for alignment to vision, patient outcomes and sustainability; have regular pulse checks to maintain control of value delivery
4	Patient Wins!	Focus on what is best for the patient, tradeoffs must be made for all else. At every step, ask "How is this going to improve our service to the patients?"
5	Transparent & Centrally Managed Programme	Appoint a dedicated Programme Management Office to standardise reporting and stakeholder communications. The PMO will also measure value realisation consistently across all projects