Appendix 1. Roadmap activities

Components of the framework

Governance & management

Network and partnership

Applied research

Monitoring & evaluation

Objective:

To ensure that a system is in place to govern, manage, coordinate and oversee all One Health activities.

Activities:

- Identify a national multisectoral One Health committee from the governmental authorities with clear terms of references
- Develop policies, strategies, operational plans, SOPs necessary for implementing One Health activities.
- Identify/establish a coordination mechanism to maintain ongoing dialogue with stakeholders.

Objective:

To foster collaboration and partnerships.

Activities:

- Identify key stakeholders and collaborators, indicate their likely contributions to implementation of One Health activities.
- Develop new/adjust existing mechanisms to regulate and facilitate collaboration and coordination between relevant sectors.
- Establish a unified electronic system to facilitate networking and partnership across sectors.
- Hold regular meeting to ensure smooth implementation of planned activities.

Objective:

To strengthen knowledge about zoonotic pathogens and their mechanism of sustenance and transmission through joint research.

Activities:

- Identify priority research areas at the human–animal interface.
- Promote applied research collaboration.
- Assess national capacity to conduct the necessary research.
- Prepare joint research proposals on zoonotic pathogens.
- Prepare agreements with national and international partners for collaboration on main research questions.
- Publish or report findings of research activities zoonoses.

Objective:

To generate evidence on whether planned activities are achieving their objectives and to support decisions on what to do if they are not.

Activities:

- Develop a monitoring and evaluation plan on all activities proposed in the 6 components.
- Organize orientation days to circulate the plan to relevant parties and secure their endorsement of it.
- Conduct monitoring and evaluation.

Components of the framework

One Health capacity development

Objective:

To assess and strengthen the multidisciplinary One Health core capacities required to prevent, detect, and respond to, zoonotic diseases and mitigate their impact.

Activities:

- Conduct gap analysis to assess existing human resources (identifying level of experience, skill, trainings and tasks of assigned staff) in all concerned sectors.
- Establish a national workforce development strategy for capacity building of staff in all sectors.
- Develop relevant training programmes as identified in the gap analysis report (field epidemiology, case management, laboratory services, infection prevention and control etc.).
- Conduct an assessment of government and nongovernment laboratory capacities (human and animal), protocol, supplies, equipment and accreditation.
- Strengthen laboratory diagnostic capacity and capability for detection of zoonotic diseases as identified in the assessment report.
- Develop/provide materials for infection prevention and control and biosecurity (e.g., guidelines, SOPs, personal protective equipment).
- Develop/provide material for case management (e.g., guidelines and SOPs).

Surveillance, preparedness and response

Objective:

To enhance national coordinated surveillance, preparedness and response for prevention, detection and control of zoonotic diseases.

Activities:

- Draw up a list of priority zoonotic diseases.
- Develop or update and ratify a zoonotic disease strategy.
- Assess/evaluate existing zoonotic disease surveillance systems.
- Establish a joint integrated disease surveillance system with operational plans, guidelines, SOPs and needed facilities.
- Train staff on the integrated disease surveillance system.
- Develop a database/platform and data collection forms to compile and enter surveillance data.
- Conduct joint risk assessment at the humananimal-environment interface for emerging zoonotic diseases.
- Develop a national multisectoral integrated emergency preparedness and response plan for zoonotic events with SOPs.
- Establish multidisciplinary rapid response teams at different administrative levels.
- Train joint rapid response teams from animal and human health sectors.
- Conduct simulation exercises and after action reviews on coordinated response to zoonotic diseases

Communication and advocacy

Objective:

To develop multilevel, multisectorial capacity for communication and advocacy, and to gain commitment and support from all sectors

Activities:

- Identify target audience, responsible sectors (messengers) and communication channels.
- Develop an action plan for risk communication including SOPs.
- Develop functional communication and coordination mechanisms among stakeholders.
- Raise public awareness to encourage disease notification, prevention and containment.
- Provide risk communication training for relevant staff and community members.
- Identify relevant national and international partners, actors and key players according to threats identified and their likely contribution.
- Organize meetings with identified key players to gain their commitment and ensure their effective engagement.

SOP = standard operating procedure.