

40 JOURNALISTS FROM DAR ES SALAAM AND TANGA REGIONS ATTEND AN INTENSIVE WORKSHOP TRAINING ON TB SITUATION & SERVICES IN TANZANIA: TOWARDS WORLD'S TB DAY ON 24TH MARCH'22

Attended media houses were: Wasafi TV, Kiss FM, Majira Online, Channel 10, City FM, TBC taifa, ITV, Global Publishers, Michezo, Michuzi blog, TK FM Radio, Radio OneWasafi Radio, Mtanzania digital, EATV, Mwananchi Communication, Michuzi TV, TK FM radio, Azam TV, Tanga TV, Global TB, Dizzim Online, Radio Maarifa, Habari Leo, Majira leo, Clouds Media, Ayo TV, Tanga Habari.

Tuberculosis (TB) continues to be among the top three (3) killer diseases in Tanzania with approximated number of seventy three (73) people dying from TB every day, [TB country profile 2021](#). As the World's TB Day 2022 was commemorated in Tanga region on Thursday 24th March 2022, Tanzania Stop TB partnership continued to create TB awareness through supporting journalists training in Dar es salaam (20) on 21st March 2022 and Tanga (20), 23rd March 2022 on TB situation in Tanzania, available services and the role played by media houses in ending TB by 2030. Speaking during the training workshop in Tanga, Dr. Allan Tarimo (Program Coordinator – NTLP) said *"the government cannot fight TB alone. We need collaborative efforts towards fighting against TB in the country. Due to current technology and overall globalization all over the world, the role*



played by media platforms both radios, televisions, news editors, online & offline radios and TVs cannot be neglected. It is in this sense that we are capacitating journalists in Tanzania to spread right TB messages and information to Tanzanian community through different media platforms and any other way possible.

20 journalists received certificates for attending a TB workshop training in Tanga. Speaking after awarding the certificates to attended journalists, Dr. Riziki Kisonga –

Program Manager, NTLP said *"this is the proof that all of you have obtained TB knowledge and that you will be good TB ambassadors by spreading right TB messages and knowledge through media platforms. We have no doubts that media houses will play a vital role on ending TB in Tanzania"*. On the other hand, journalists appreciated the trainings and committed to spread right TB messages and information to the Tanzanian community. Ms. Dolphina was one

those attended the training and she had this to say; *this training means a lot to me. I had no idea that TB actually kills 73 people on a daily basis, this seems scary. And about the certificates we just received, this adds to my CV, me and my colleagues will surely spread TB messages through our media platforms"*

The world TB Day was Commemorated in Tanga on 24th March 2022 with Hon. Ummu Mwalimu – MoH as the guest of honor. Hon. Ummu Mwalimu insisted that TB services are provided free of charge in both government and private owned health service centers.

