

4 WILD POLIOVIRUS (WPV1) REPORTED IN MARCH 2018

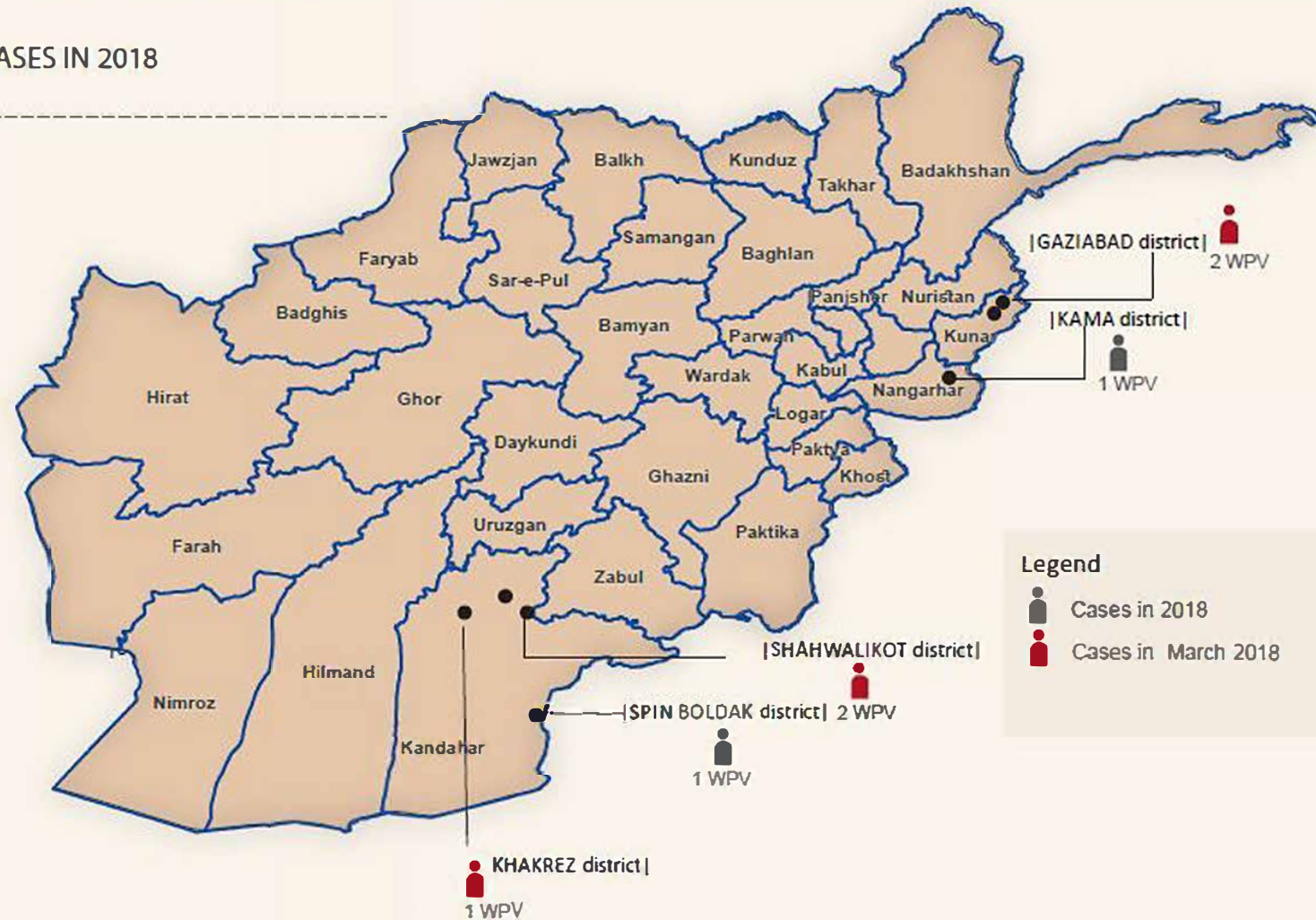
7 WPV1 CASES IN 2018

4 WPV1/VDPV2 POSITIVE ENVIRONMENTAL SAMPLES REPORTED IN MARCH 2018

9,4 MILLION CHILDREN TARGETED NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION DAYS (SNID) (12-16 March 2018)

70,000 FRONTLINE WORKERS INVOLVED (Overall 12.2% female: 42.3% of urban workers, 3.5% of rural)

456 PERMANENT TRANSIT TEAMS
15 CROSS-BORDER VACCINATION POINTS



Legend
 ● Cases in 2018
 ● Cases in March 2018

WILD POLIO CASE COUNT 2017-2018



POLIO TRANSMISSION

- 4 new wild poliovirus (WPV1) cases were reported in March 2018: two cases from Ghaziabad district of Kunar province and one case each from Shahwalikot and Khakrez districts in Kandahar province.
- 4 WPV1 positive environmental samples were reported in March 2018. 3 positive samples were collected from Nangarhar, and 1 from Kabul city, bringing the total number of positive samples to 12 date in 2018.

AFP and ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEILLANCE

- 233 acute flaccid paralysis (AFP) cases (102 girls and 131 boys) were reported in March. Overall in 2018, 831 AFP cases have been reported, of which 632 have been discarded as "non-polio AFP" and 192 AFP cases are pending classification.
- Non-polio AFP rate is above 10, stool adequacy above 93%, and non-polio enterovirus rate is ranging from 5% to 15%.

SUPPLEMENTARY IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITIES (SIAs)

- A national immunization days (SNID) campaign which was conducted on 12-16 March targeted 9,4 million children under the age of 5 years with OPV in 358 districts of 31 provinces. Vitamin A was also given to children aged 6-59 months.

COMPLEMENTARY VACCINATION ACTIVITIES

- A total of 15 cross-border vaccination points, 39 cross-border teams and 456 permanent transit teams (PTTs) were operational across Afghanistan during March 2018.
- Permanent transit teams vaccinated 1,158,083 children against polio and cross-border teams vaccinated 73,869 children in March.
- A total of 2,213 children under the age of 10 were vaccinated with OPV and 1,197 with IPV by teams in UNHCR repatriation centers and IOM sites receiving returnees and refugees from Pakistan and Iran in March.
- In compliance with International Health Regulations (IHR), 12,722 international travelers were vaccinated during March.