A task team to advocate for efficient Government disbursement formed

The presentation made by Health Promotion Tanzania during the 56th National Commodity Security Meeting revealed that for three financial year 2016 to 2018, the government allocated TZS 53Billion (USD 23Mil). During the same time, the Government disbursed only TZS 15 billion (USD 6.5Million) which is 28% of total commitment.

Health Promotion is leading an advocacy task team that was formed by National Commodity Security Committee. The team will advocate for efficient disbursement for commodity as part of holding the government accountable to ensure commodity availability and reduce maternal and neonatal mortality. The task team members include UNFPA, CHAI, R4D and Engender health. The figure below summarizes budget and disbursement:

![Bar chart showing budget and disbursement for life serving commodities in TZS billion]  
- Y2016/17: Budget 10, Disbursement 7
- Y2017/18: Budget 9.1, Disbursement 3

In addition to advocating for disbursement, the committee noted that there was a financial gap of USD 8.9Mil to secure Family Planning, maternal child health commodities for FY 2020/2021. This will require separate advocacy initiatives with donors and Government.

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