Vanuatu has greatly improved birth registration in the last few years by:

- registering children through schools as part of their initial enrolment processes
- registering new births at hospital prior to discharge
- "catch up days" in remote areas that do not have regular contact with government.

In just one year (2013 to 2014), birth registration rates for children aged under 1 increased from 35% to 57%.

These activities have been supported by the roll-out of IT connectivity to provincial centres and the development of a national CRVS database.

Vanuatu is an island nation of 271,089 people. Much of the population still lives traditional lifestyles with little interaction with government.

Vanuatu recently held a workshop to prioritize improvements in their system and will use those priorities to draft a national CRVS improvement plan. A key focus will be to learn from the experience gained with births to improve death registration coverage.