STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES
OF THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS
(2000–15)

MDGs helped to:

- Position health in the development agenda
- Focus attention and action on major health problems of poverty
- Mobilize resources to achieve prioritized targets
- Create platforms for multi-stakeholder partnerships
- Strengthen global monitoring systems and accountability

But...

- Focused the attention on communicable diseases and omitted NCDs
- Fragmented the health system through vertical programmes
- Segmented by age group, instead of adopting a life-course approach
- Monitored only national aggregate indicators; did not measure gaps in health equity
- Measured mortality but not morbidity

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