

# **CD Developments** and **Outlook**

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## **CD** has adapted rapidly to the crisis

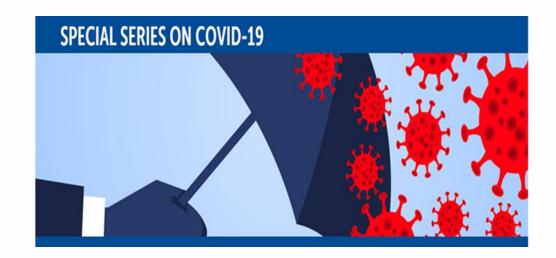
 Using existing and innovative remote modalities, maintained broad country coverage through the crisis.







 Practical guidance to members on crisisrelated issues; over 50 notes have been produced to date with more in the pipeline.



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# Early lessons from intensive remote delivery



#### Remote CD has been most successful when:

- Building on existing engagement and relationships
- Focused on narrow/technical issues



# However, it is not a full substitute for in-person delivery. Constraints include:

- Counterparts' lack of organizational capacity and access to digital infrastructure, particularly in fragile states;
- Difficulty building relationships and understanding new institutional settings remotely;
- Training new staff/experts on CD engagement takes more time without field delivery;
- Other practical and logistical constraints.

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### **CD** will remain crisis-focused in the near term

In FY21, CD will continue to focus on helping countries with crisis management and stabilization.

- Largely remotely delivered—at least through the first half of the fiscal year.
- Focused on crisis outcomes, emergency topics, and program conditionality.

Country and topical focus will be determined by:

- o Program requirements, including on governance issues.
- Priority given to fragile states.
- Absorptive capacity.
- Existence of ongoing medium-term projects—with refocusing where necessary.

RCDCs and long-term experts will be important

- RCDCs and bilateral resident advisors can quickly build on existing relationships and projects.
- Workplans can adjust rapidly to changing country demand.

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