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Using Digital Payments to Curb the Covid-19 Pandemic

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#### AGENDA







**DELIVERING PAYMENTS** to health workers and, where possible, to affected families effectively.



Keeping the digital payments ecosystem **FUNCTIONING** and **SAFE**.



Having two-way **COMMUNICATION** with all players on issues related to payments.

#### Building Trust and the Responsible Digital Payment Guidelines



- **2** Keep Client Funds Safe
- **B** Ensure Product Transparency for Clients
- **4** Design for Client Needs and Capability
- **5** Support Client Usage Through Interoperability
- **5** Take Responsibility for Providers of Client Services Across Value Chain
- **7** Protect Client Data
- **B** Provide Client Recourse

... and Gender Intentionality

- Full lockdown since March 18, and curfew from March 22
- Unique challenge: almost a third of the population are migrants and refugees
- Emergency transfers to 200,000
  most vulnerable households, at up to
  USD\$192 per month for 6 months

Population 10.5 million









households selected based on data from the national unified registry



**Eligibility, amount and instructions for wallet opening** conveyed directly to head of household via SMS

eligible households had to open a new wallet





#### Beneficiaries are offered the choice of provider







### JORDAN





#### Making cash-out convenient from multiple channels





Cas	sh-out channels are <b>"essential'</b>	<b>'</b> businesse
•	Clarity on operating hours: 10	pam -6pm

- **1, 400** agents including a large number of money exchange houses, MNOs retailers
- Cardless ATM with just mobile number
- Agent to client ratio improved from 1:450 to 1: 229
- Mobile ATMs
- Unified Agent Interface provides information on fees, agent points and match with ID location

### **PERU** COVID-19 scenario

Mandatory lockdown since mid-March, extended to May 24

Extraordinary measure of a fiscal package equivalent to **12% of the GDP** 

Emergency transfers to 6.8 million households at USD \$223 for lockdown duration, over one or two payments, depending on the scheme

Population ~32 million





# Communication and commitment to deliver from the highest levels of government in March 2020



Mr. Martin Vizcarra, President of Peru announcing the approval of the cash transfer: I stay at home



MINISTRA DE DESARROLLO E INCLUSIÓN SOCIAL

Ms. Ariela Luna, Minister of Development and Social Inclusion provided details on the scheme, which was expected to **cover 2.7 mil households** 





#### Use of website to confirm eligibility and provide collection details

# **Step 1:** Check eligibility using ID number



## **Step 2:** Receive info about date, time and place for collection









#### Improving design with each payment

#### Payment 1



Payment 2



Direct to Banco de la Nacion account for 700,000 banked beneficiaries

Unbanked beneficiaries cash out at 4 private banks

Added option for OTC pin generation by Tunki wallet by Interbank for cash-out at ATMs

BancoCellular app can be used on both feature and smartphones

### Responsible practices in COVID-19 response



• Get Started & keep iterating

Responsible digitization of transfers can be addressed progressively.



Keep clients/ recipient focus in payment design

A responsible approach to solving issues has the potential to build trust and sustain digital payments adoption



 Build on existing infrastructure for responsible and long-term digital payments

The need to accelerate the digital financial services ecosystem is greater than ever before, to build for the recovery!