Optimizing smart subsidies to drive toward 100% market-led rural sanitation coverage in Cambodia

Evidence from a randomized control trial.



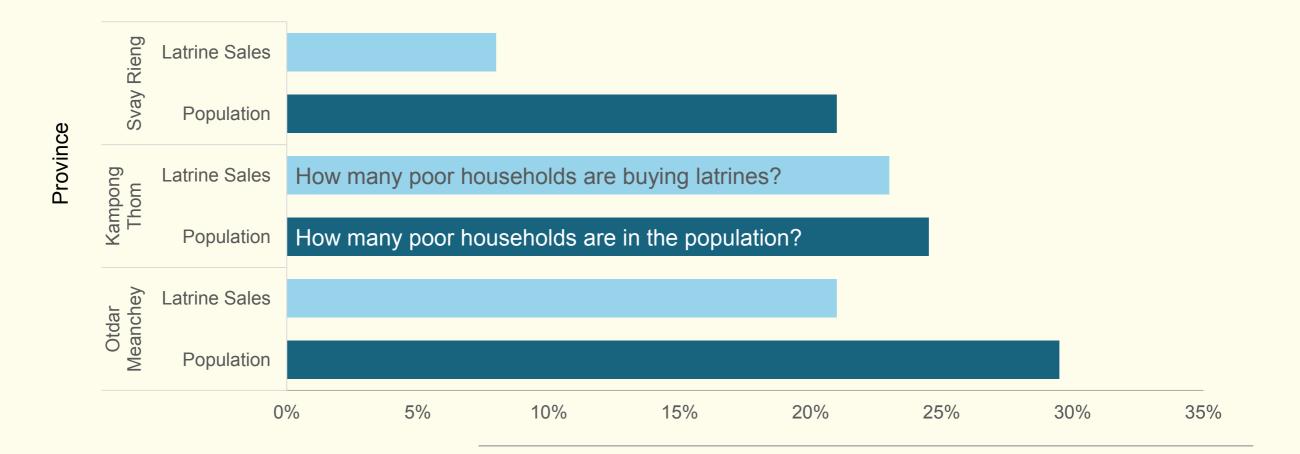






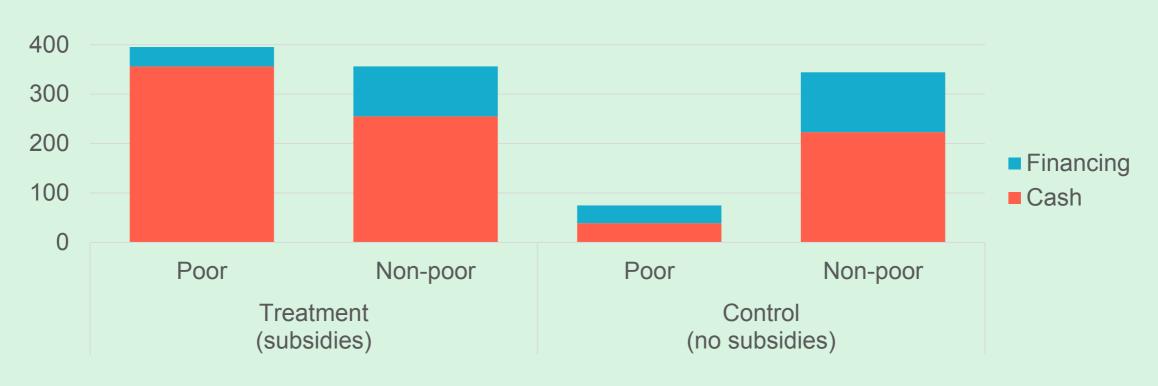
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Poor HHs' share in latrine sales and in province population



A market-based approach does not inherently establish incentives to reach the poor.

Grant Findings/Results



Smart Subsidy Effect on Sales to Poor and Non-Poor

Cost-effectiveness of Smart Subsidy



Challenges faced

- Difficulty with MFIs offering, approving and providing sanitation finance.
 - Instalment plans offered by latrine suppliers
- Sales agent capacity to sell toilets using finance was very limited.
 - Due to MFI reluctance and increasing debt levels, iDE is no longer pursuing sanitation financing as we have in the past.
 - Begin paying sales agent a base salary to decrease turnover.
- The study design may have impacted sales agent motivation to sell in control villages.
 - Ensure that 100% of households are being exposed to sales presentation.
 - Dark Matter Questionnaire capture information from every sales presentation that does NOT result in sale.

Potential for adoption and impact



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Reflecting on research partnership



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