## Alternative domestic services while mother is away Stocking food and firewood

• Finding other person to take care of home and children

## Gathering personal effects for mother-to-be and newborn

- Vaseline and soap A jerrycan for water and a basin for bathing
- Mother and Baby clothes and powder

## Buying materials for use by health care providers

- Gloves and razorblade (for cutting the cord)
- Gloves and razorolade (for calling the cord)
- Threads (to be used as cord ligatures)
- Cotton wool
- 'Kavera' (an improvised mackintosh made from a plastic bag)
- Selection of a provider for delivery

Preparation for emergencies

Asking transport money from male partners or saving from own sources for emergencies, especially referral for caesarian section or blood transfusion

Syringes, needles and injectable ergometrine (to stop postpartum hemorrhage)