

# Bangladesh Country Coordinating Mechanism (BCCM) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare BCCM Secretariat

Subject: Minutes of the 88th meeting of BCCM

Date (dd.mm.yy)	22.12.2016
Venue of the meeting	Conference Room (Building no 3, Room No 332), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Meeting started	12:30 PM
Meeting adjourned	2:40 PM
Meeting Chaired By	Ms. Roxana Quader, Additional Secretary (PH & WHO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Chair of BCCM Oversight Committee
Meeting Steered by	Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas, BCCM Coordinator, BCCM Secretariat
Total number of participants	36 Participants
Does quorum attained meeting?	Yes
Meeting attendance	<ul> <li>Voting member and alternate of Country Coordinating Mechanism (BCCM): 19</li> <li>Principal Recipients (PR): 12</li> <li>Observer (Global Fund LFA): 2</li> <li>BCCM Secretariat staff: 3</li> </ul>
Attendance list	Yes
Other supporting document	Yes

# Meeting Agenda

Agenda Item # 1	Approval of 87 <sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes
Agenda Item # 2	<b>Endorsement:</b>
	a) New BCCM Members and Alternate Members
	b) New OC Members
	c) New CCM Secreatriat Funding Policy and allocated budget for 2017-2019
Agenda Item # 3	Oversight functions from October to December 2016
Agenda Item # 4	Continution of HIV Treatment Care Support and issue of OST
Agenda Item # 5	Next Funding Allocation (2018-2020) (PR Continution, Fund Split and Progress of Concept Note, Country Dialogue etc.) (Chair of respective TWGs are responsible for this agenda)
Agenda Item # 6	Updates on  a) NTP Management letter from GF (Jan-June 2016 issued on 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2016)  b) Constituency consultation meeting (KAP/PLHIV/FBOs)
Agenda Item # 7	Miscellaneous

The meeting started at 12:30 pm and was chaired by Ms. Roxana Quader, Additional Secretary (PH & WHO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW) and Chair of BCCM Oversight Committee. At the outset, Hon'ble Ms. Roxana Quader on behalf of Chair, Bangladesh CCM, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare welcomed all the participants including members, alternate members and observers. He also directed BCCM Coordinator to steer the meeting in accordance with predetermined agenda.



Minutes of each agenda item:

Agenda Item # 1:Approval of the 87th CCM meeting minutes

Conflict of Interest: N/A

Discussions by the constituencies:

<u>Government / Chair of this meeting:</u> Ms. Roxana Quader Additional Secretary (PH&WHO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Vice Chair, BCCM requested to Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas, BCCM Coordinator to refreshing the memories of all to present the decision taken at the last BCCM meeting and update the implementation status of the decisions.

**BCCM** Secretariat: The 87<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2016 and the minutes were electronically circulated to all and hard copies were provided in the folders. BCCM Coordinator read out the agenda, decisions of the last meeting and informed implementation status of the decisions. BCCM Coordinator mentioned that according to the BCCM Retreat 2016 discussions and decisions, BCCM meeting discussion would be in Bangla.

<u>The Oversight Committee:</u> Prof. Dr. Mahmudur Rahman, Vice Chair Oersight Committee recalled the BCCM meeting decision about the meeting conduction in Bangla and meeting minutes would be in English because it has to share to the GF, Development Partners( DPs)and other international organizations. But the minutes would be translated into Bangla for KAP and PLWD.

Dr. Saima Khan mentioned that her name was mistakenly placed linking to issues around interventions to prevent malaria. The forum agreed that necessary corrections would be made.

**Government:** The Chair of the meeting and Additional Secretary (WHO) MOHFW informed that the minutes were electronically circulated to all and hard copies were provided in the folders. She also requested members to provide their feedback (if any). If there is no comment and feedback the Vice Chair requested the members present to consider the 87<sup>th</sup> meeting minute as approved.

<u>Summary of Discussions:</u> Having no other comments and feedback except the misplacement of Dr. Saima Khan's suggestions, the Vice Chair requested the members present to consider the 87<sup>th</sup> meeting minute as approved with necessary corrections as suggested.

# **Decisions:**

- All members present and Chair of this meeting confirmed and approved the 87th BCCM meeting minutes with necessary corrections as suggested.
- The meeting decided that BCCM meeting discussion would be in Bangla but minutes would be in English and it would be translated for KAP, if BCCM Secretariat budget permits.

Agenda Item # 2: Endorsement: a) New BCCM Members and Alternate Members Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

**BCCM Secretariat:** Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas, BCCM Coordinator discussed about the selection process of government members and alternate members from different ministries. He described about the election process of civil society members including NGO, FBO, Academia & Researcher, KAP (TB, Malaria, HIV), PLWD (TB, Malaria, HIV) Private Sector and multilateral and bilateral organizations constituencies. Finally he read out the newly selected and elected members and alternate members list before the meeting.

BCCM Coordinator mentioned that government constituency nominated their members and alternate members from different Ministries according to the letter of BCCM. Only ERD/MOF nominated member mentioning designation Joint Secretary (vacant position at UN 4/ ERD) and alternate member from Senior Assistant Secretary level because there is no DS level position in ERD UN section. He informed the meeting that ERD would inform BCCM about the availability of Joint Secretary position whenever this gets on board.



He informed that BCCM Secretariat, BCCM Election Commission and GMS team tried to bring Expression of Interest from renowned private companies who have CSR but only two organizations sent their EOI to be member and alternate member from private sector constituency. These are Squire Pharmaceuticals Ltd and Prime Bank Foundation. But BCCM Secretariat sent request letter to more than 10 private companies and communicated physically, overphone and through their equintances. But there was no response from the companies except the above mentioned organizations. He requested to make decisions on private sector membership to the BCCM.

He further informed the meeting that the MSH/ Challenge TB Initiative submitted their interest to serve as observer member of the BCCM as they are providing financial and technical support to the National TB Control programme and Bangladesh CCM. He also informed that according to the Global Fund guidelines, The LFA will exist as observer member and PR representatives also would exist as previous. He requested to make decision on the MSH/ CTB interest to be the observer member to the BCCM.

<u>The Oversight Committee:</u> Prof. Dr. Mahmudur Rahman, Vice Chair Oversight Committee suggested that BCCM could include Squire Pharmaceuticals Ltd and Prime Bank Foundation as member from private Sector constituency and BCCM could serach other private companies which are interested to be alternate members from private sectors and after getting available candidate, BCCM would include two alternate members for this constituency. He also opined that Country Project Director, Challenge TB, MSH could be included as observer member to the BCCM as they are supporting National TB program and BCCM.

Dr. Saima Khan suggested that if other companies are not interested, alternate members could be requested from the same two private sector agencies for inclusion as members.

<u>Chairperson</u>: The Chairperson of the meeting opened window for discussion on the issue of newly selected and elected members and alternate members as well as proposed observer member to the BCCM. She requested to discuss on this agenda. She expressed that if there is no discussion and objection, then BCCM meeting should endorse the newly elected members and alternate members as presented by the BCCM Coordinator.

#### Discussions:

- The 88<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting endorsed the newly elected and selected members and alternate members list attached in Annexure –A.
- The 88<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting decided that Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd and Prime Bank Foundation would be included as member from private sector constituency and BCCM Secretariat would continue search for getting EOI from private companies which has CSR program for health. After getting available EOI, BCCM would select alternate members from private sector among them. But in the context of non-availability of request for EOI alternate members would be selected from Square Pharmaceuticals Ltd and Prime Bank Foundation as well.
- The 88th BCCM meeting decided that the Country Project Director, Challenge TB, MSH would be included as observer member to the BCCM

Agenda Item # 2: Endorsement: b) New OC Members

Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

<u>BCCM Secretariat</u>: BCCM Coordinator informed the meeting that according to decision of the 87<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting Oversight Committee of BCCM included four OC member from PLHIVconstituency and with expertise to meet the Eligibility Requirement (ER) of the Global Fund. He mentioned the name, organization and expertise on newly included Oversight Committee members as table below:

sl	Name	Designation	Expertise	Proposed by
1	Mr. Joseph Sebhatu	First Secretary	Program Management	CIDA in place of Megan Buyers



2	Dr. Charles Lerman,	TB Advisor, USAID	TB Expert	USAID as TB Expert
3	Mr. S. M. Ahsanul Aziz	Deputy Secretary (WHO)	Program Management	MOHFW
4	Mr. Ahsanul Alam Kishore	PLHIV Constituency	PLHIV Rights	BCCM proposed to include PLHIV member to comply ER

He informed that the 12th Meeting of BCCM Oversight Committee endorsed this inclusion of new members to the Oversight Committee and BCCM needs to endorse accordingly.

Chairperson: The Chair of this meeting suggested to endorse this members' inclusion in the Oversight Committee to meet the ER of the GF.

Decisions: The 88th meeting of BCCM endorsed the inclusion of following new members in OC are:

- Mr. S. M. Ahsanul Aziz, Deputy Secretary (WHO), MOHFW(as member)
- Mr. Joseph Sebhatu, First Secretary, Canadian High Commission and CIDA (as member)
- Dr. Charles Lerman, TB Advisor, USAID Bangladesh(as member)
- Mr. Ahsanul Alam Kishore, PLHIV Constituency (as member)

Agenda Item # 2: Endorsement: c) New CCM Secreatriat Funding Policy and allocated budget for 2017-2019

Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

BCCM Secretariat: BCCM Coordinator informed the meeting that last year GF Secretariat approved budget for BCCM Secretariat for the period of 2016-2017. In the mean time the GF changed policy in this regard. The Global Fund is now making CCM Funding agreement for three years period (2017-2019).

He further informed the meeting that the CCM Hub of the GF Secretariat sent an email to BCCM Secretariat about this new policy of CCM funding agreement. The CCM Hub sent new budget for next three years (2017-2019). According to the last approved budget they kept budget allocaton for BCCM Secretariat US\$101738.00 and for the next two years they allocated US\$ 65000.00 each according to last couple of years absorption rate. He mentioned that email funding allocation and summary budget fact sheet received from CCM Hub has already been shared with all members and alternate members electronically and in the meeting folders.

He also informed the meeting that verbal discussion was held with the FPM Mr. Richard Cunliffe about the CCM Secretariat allocation and it can be negotiated before disbursement in every year based on the expenditure of previous year. If BCCM Secretariat can utilize fund appropriately for the year 2017 then BCCM can negotiate for increased fund for next two years before disbursement. Finally, he informed that BCCM needs to endorse this new CCM Secretariat funding allocation in this meeting for timely disbursing the allocation to the BCCM Secretariat.

The Chairperson: The Chairperson of the meeting suggested for endorsing this CCM Secretariat allocation as proposed by the CCM Hub of the GF with keeping windows of negotiation to increase fund allocation for the year 2018 and 2019 based on utilization of fund in 2017.

<u>Discussion</u>: The 88<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCM endorsed the BCCM Secretariat budget proposed by the Global Fund CCM Hub with keeping negotiation opportunities to increase fund allocation for the year 2018 and 2019 based on utilization of fund in 2017. The endorsed allocation summary fact sheet is attached here with as annexure B.

Agenda Item # 3: Oversight functions from October to December 2016 Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

BCCM Secretariat: BCCM Coordinator requested Oversight Committee of the BCCM to present Oversight Functions since October 2016.

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<u>Chair- Oversight Committee:</u> Ms. Roxana Quader, Additional Se4cretary (PH&WHO), and The Chair of BCCM Oversight Committee directed BCCM Coordinator to present the OC Functions on behalf of Oversight Committee in this meeting.

<u>BCCM Secretariat:</u> BCCM Coordinator presented the Oversight Functions since October 2016 in this meeting. He pointed out the key functions of Oversight Committee in this period as follows:

# OC Visit to Rajshahi: 7-8 December 2016: Recommendations

Sustainability of Interventions: The following efforts may be considered in making the programs gradually sustainable.

- Program coverage should be increased among the target people (PWID, FSWs, MSM/Hijra) and HTC should be 100% among the reached KPs (target people) through DIC/Sub-DIC/Outreach Service/Community led services.
- Medical Assistants working in DIC should have SOPs for Syndromic Management of STI/STDs in Bangla. All Service providers should ensure availability of consent forms for HIV testing and counseling in Bangla.
- CCM should put more budgets for HTC in next funding request to reach all enlisted risk people to complete HTC for all.
- There should be facility for inpatient care of PWID for detoxification in the department of psychiatry in medical college hospital.
- Evidence based antibiotic treatment of the cases of ascess among PWID require microbiological support of culture and sensitivity at least periodically.
- A letter in favor of PWID Intervention from Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA) is needed and Oversight Committee of BCCM should support to send this letter through BCCM.
- For the DOTS corner at Medical College Hospital (MCH), there should be an operation manual with emphasis on recording/reporting with ensured treatment of all cases of TB diagnosed/ taking care at MCH.
- Engagement of Physicians in Secondary and Tertiary Hospitals: Physicians, including the specialists, in secondary and tertiary hospitals need to be engaged more with the program to increase referral of suspects to the DOTS Centers and diagnosis of smear negative and extra-pulmonary cases and thus improve case notification of TB. This can be done through clinical orientation, periodic reviews, and other promotional activities.
- Referred cases follow up and ensure getting treatment: DOTS corner should make periodical
  follow up for the referred patients to their nearby DOTS center from where they are getting treatment
  after discharging from hospital. DOTS center should maintain C7/follow up registered till the patients
  get free from TB disease
- Expansion of GeneXpert capacity: GeneXpert capacity is low in Rajshahi division. More Gene Xperts need to be installed in this region.
- Improvement of Diagnostic Capacity: X-Ray facility should be available at UHC. Expansion of LED Microcopy network is absolutely required. NTP needs to ensure availability of LED microscopes in order to increase diagnostic efficiency in this division. Contact tracing should be started for increasing the case detection.
- Quality of services: NTP and allies should increase supportive monitoring visits to follow-up on quality of diagnosis and treatment including history taking and sputum examination in the TB services.
- Intervention for Migrants: There is no structured intervention to reach out to migrant workers
  although a majority of HIV positives are detected among the in-migrants and migrant workers. This
  should be a focus area in the next concept note development.
- Resumption of Detoxification services: Provision of training and exploring opportunities for employment generation of the PWID and CSWs need to be ensured.



He mentioned that Two OC meeting completed by this (Oct-Dec 2016) period. He informed about 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> OC meeting decisions in this meeting

# 12th Oversight Committee meeting decisions:

- The 12<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCM Oversight Committee endorsed the inclusion of following new members in OC are:
  - o Mr. S. M. Ahsanul Aziz, Deputy Secretary (WHO), MOHFW (as member)
  - o Mr. Joseph Sebhatu, First Secretary, Canadian High Commission and CIDA (as member)
  - o Dr. Charles Lerman, TB Advisor, USAID Bangladesh (as member)
  - o Mr. Ahsanul Alam Kishore, PLHIV Constituency (as member)
- According to TWG-HIV recommendation the 12<sup>th</sup> oversight meeting decided to form committee a
  working committee to solve the technical; issues and national level decision making for HIV program
  bottlenecks.
- NASP will take lead to initiate discussion with UPHCSDP(manages by City Corporation) for possible supports to render HTC and other related services to establish functional referral linkage
- A working group has been formed with Director General, DGHS as Chair for resolving the service gap and identify the quick solution to continue treatment care support for PLHIV from next January 2017. The ToR of the working group would be finalized by BCCM Secretariat at the earliest. The constitution of working group would be as follows:
  - Prof. Dr. A K Azad, DG, DGHS
  - Dr. Mohiuddin Osmani, Joint Chief of Planning,
  - Mr. S. M. Ahsanul Aziz DS-(WHO), MOHFW.
  - Dr. Anisur Rahman, Line Director NASP,
  - Dr. Saima Khan from UNAIDS,
  - Dr. Lima Rahman from SCI,
  - Zahedul Islam, Country Project Director, Systems for Improved Access to Pharmaceuticals and Services - SIAPS
  - Members from PLHIV Network
  - Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas, BCCM Coordinator
- The 12th meeting of OC decided that BCCM Secretariat would finalize the agenda, venue budget and logistics for BCCM Retreat with GMS team according to the date of retreat from Hon'ble BCCM Chair & Minister Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- The 12th meeting of OC decided to send the EOI request letter to individuals and organizations to be member and alternate member from Academia and Researcher as well as private Sector constituency respectively.
- The meeting also decided that according to received EOI letter from Academia and Researcher and private sector organizations, BCCM Election commission would select the members and alternate members from both constituencies.
- The meeting decided to select translators and IT Support Assistant according to the list of candidates prepared by Dr. Sukumar Sarker from UASID and Mr. Zahedul Islam from SAIPS.
- The meeting also decided that BCCM Secretariat would talk to 1<sup>st</sup> choice candidate from each category. If the 1<sup>st</sup> candidate from both categories agrees, BCCM will start work with them as no work no basisas early as possible. If 1<sup>st</sup> candidate does not agree to work, then talk would be done to the 2<sup>nd</sup> choice candidate.
- The 12th meeting of OC decided to discuss about write up for BCCM newsletter in the editor's panel meeting.
- The 12th meeting of OC decided to endorse Administrative Assistant position from 1st September, 2016 till end of November, 2016 as daily basis payment/no work no pay basis payment and salary for this position would be paid from the unused salary budget line item of Deputy Coordinator.

# 13th Oversight Committee meeting Decisions:



- The 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCM Oversight Committee meeting endorsed draft estimated retreat budget-2016 as attached in annexure A in 13<sup>th</sup> OC meeting minutes. (minutes shared with all in meeting folders and retreat done according to budget)
- The 13th meeting of BCCM Oversight Committee decided to endorse costs sharing from GMS part in the draft estimated budget but not more than BDT 200,000/= (Two Lac only) as Annexure A. . (Minutes shared with all and retreat done according to budget)
- The 13<sup>th</sup> Oversight Committee meeting decided that the BCCM Retreat venue would be the Hotel Westin Dhaka during 27-28 November 2016
- The 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Oversight Committee decided to endorse the election result 2016 for BCCM membership renewal for 2017-2019
- The 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCM oversight Committee decided to increase 3 weeks for submitting the EOI from private sector organization till 20<sup>th</sup> December 2016.
- The 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCMM oversight Committee also suggested following up with the organizations to which the EOI request letters were sent.
- The 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCM Oversight Committee decided that:
  - Prof. Dr. Mahmudur Rahman, PhD, Former Director, IEDCR and Epidemiologist would be the member of BCCM from Academia and Researcher while Dr. Mohammad Mustuq Husain, Former Sr. Scientific Officer, IEDCR would be alternate member.
  - Prof. Dr. M A Faiz, Former DG, DGHS and Professor of Medicine would be the member of BCCM from Academia and Researcher constituency, while Dr. Tasnim Azim, Former Director, Center for HIV/AIDS ICDDR, B would be the alternate member.
- The 13<sup>th</sup> meeting of BCCM Oversight Committee endorsed NMCP request for getting TA support from WHO and the meeting also decided that BCCM Secretariat would send email on behalf of BCCM to the WR, WHO Bangladesh to take necessary steps as early as possible for TA support for NMCP regarding Concept Note Development for next funding period.

BCCM Coordinator also informed the meeting that Oversight Committee has done following activities in this period from October to December 2016.

- Two BCCM Election Commission Meeting
- Sent request letter to different ministries to nominate members and alternate members for CCM for the period of 2017-2019
- Sent request letter to different constituencies to elect and nominate members and alternate members for CCM for the period of 2017-2019
- Overseeing the CSO election process and selection process from GOB and MLBL Constituency
- Overseeing the BCCM Election Commission activities and BCCM membership election for 2017-2018
- Overseeing the constituency engagement in the BCCM (Constituency consultation for KAP& PLHIV and NGO constituency)
- Working on BCCM Deputy Coordinator recruitment
- Overseeing the BCCM Secretariat activities
- Overseeing the BCCM Election commission activities

<u>The Chairperson</u>: The Chairperson of this meeting invited the members and participants to discuss on oversight functions presented in this meeting. She also requested to endorse these OC functions for the last copule of months.

<u>Decisions</u>: The meeting endorsed the oversoight functions for October –December 2016 including Oversight visit in Rajshahi and 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> Oversight Committee meeting decisions.

Agenda Item # 4:Continution of HIV Treatment Care Support and issue of OST

Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

**BCCM Secretariat:** BCCM Coordinator requested Line Director, NASP to discuss this agenda in this meeting.

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<u>PRs:</u> LD NASP: **Dr.Md.Anisur Rahman**, LD NASP presented the current situation of HIV/AIDS Care Support and Treatment Services (CST) for PLHIV, which will be ended by 31 December 2016. He mentioned about the efforts and measures already taken to continue this service till catch up by the next sector programme. In this connection he informed that he already requested to Save the Children, Global Fund, UNICEF Bangladesh and BRAC to provide interim support.

He also described the current situation of OST services and the possible service interruption from January 2017 and its consequences and also update about the discussion with DNC, DGHS, Global Fund and advocacy meeting with MOHA to carry OST services at the end of the current sector program, i.e., from January 2017 onwards.

<u>Government:</u> Prof. Dr. A K Azad, Director General, DGHS briefly described the government funding process. He informed the meeting that till December 2016, funds are available for these programs. However, HIV program would not get fund for Treatment, Care and Support (TCS) and OST component before March-April 2017. He emphasized to identify possible ways so that this gap period can be addressed at least for three to four months with a hope that next sector program will be launched by that time and money will be available for these components.

<u>PRs:</u> Dr. Lima Rahman, COP, Save The Children International informed the meeting that GF-CT approved CST services through reprogramming of Treatment, Care and Support module under NFM grant for January to March 2017 as part of National Contingency Plan where UNICEF will provide funding support from April – September, 2017 to fill in perceived gaps due to procurement processes. But in the mean time, Government would continue its effort to release fund for treatment care support for PLHIV from sector program.

Dr. Sharful Islam Khan, Head of HIV and Program of icddr,b informed that the Global Fund has generously approved icddr,b to spend fund from the existing GF grant for OST. Dr. Khan thanked the Global Fund for this support without which icddr,b would have no choice but to discontinue the OST beyond December 2016.

<u>Government:</u> Prof. Dr. A K Azad, Director General, DGHS appreciated the approval of the GF to continue support for TCS till march 2017, and also for OST. He thanks to UNICEF Bangladesh for their willingness to support the CST services for PLHIV for the mentioned period. He hopes that the government health sector fund would be in place by March-April 2017.

<u>Decision:</u> The 88<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting decided that proposed HIV working group led by the Director General, DGHS would take care of the issue of HIV/AIDS treatment care support and continuing OST.

Agenda Item # 5: Next Funding Allocation (2018-2020) (PR Continution, Fund Split and Progress of Concept Note, update on Country Dialogue etc.)

Conflict of Interest: PRs and SRs representative have Conflict of Interset (COI).

# Discussions by the constituencies:

**BCCM Secretariat:** BCCM Coordinator informed the meeting that on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2016 the Global Fund Secretariat declared the funding allocation for next three years (2018-2020) to fight against TB, malaria and HIV/AIDS. He mentioned that BCCM should endorse this allocation and proposed fund split among these three diseases if BCCM agreed on that. Otherwise BCCM should split fund among the three diseases according to the burden of diseases and national strategic plan. Then BCCM should endorse the fund split and send to the GF secretariat.

He described that BCCM should also make a decision on whether the PRs will continue or if there will be a new selection. In this regard, He quoted from allocation letter of The Global Fund dated 15<sup>th</sup> Decemenber 2016 'As the current grants are all performing well, the Global Fund Secretariat does not recommend that the Principal Recipients are changed for any of the disease components.'

He briefly described the issues from funding allocation letter from the GF Secretariat. He mentioned that Bangladesh has been allocated US\$146,231,110 for HIV, TB, Malaria and building



Resilient and Sustainable Systems for Health (RSSH). The GF proposed fund split as mentioned in the table below:

Eligible disease component	Allocation US\$	Allocation Utilization Period
HIV	18,295,447	1 December 2017 to 30 November 2020
TB	97,935,663	1 January 2018 to 31 December 2020
Malaria	30,000,000	1 January 2018 to 31 December 2020
	146,231,110	

BCCM Coordinator mentioned that during discussions on the decision on the fund split and PRs continuation, all the PR representatives, SR representatives should leave the meeting room as they have Conflict of Interest in this agenda.

<u>PRs</u>: All the Technical Working Group Chairs updated the meeting about their progress on Concept Note development roadmaps, National Strategic Plan, Joint Monitoring Mission and Concept Note Development. TWG Chairs mentioned that they have plan to submit their next funding request by the end of January 2017 and the middle of February (for HIV) to meet the deadline of the first window of submission in March and the TRP in April 2017.

**Government:** Prof. A K Azad, Director General, DGHS requested the respective Line Directors and Chairs of the TWGs to express their views about the fund splitting among the three diseases. He also mentioned that in the coming HPNSDP, government has huge opportunity to provide adequate fund for Malaria and other communicatble diseases interventions.

<u>Chair TWG Malaria</u>: Prof. Dr. Sanya Tahmina, LD NMCP argued that according to the updated National Strategic Plan, NMCP needs about US\$ 35 milion for 2018-2020. But the GF allocated only US\$30 million. So, considering this issue, BCCM should decide for more funding in Malaria for next funding period.

<u>Chair TWG HIV/AIDS</u>: Dr. Md.Anisur Rahman, Director and LD, NASP and Chair TWG-HIV/AIDS, informed that the coverage of Key Populations with prevention interventions and HTC under the current GF supported grants is less than 50% of the targeted population. In addition the current program is already compromised due to budget deficit and will not be able to make impact. So, in this context GF allocation should be increased to maintain the minimum standard of interventions.

<u>Chair TWG TB:</u>Dr. Shahid Md. Sadiqul Islam, Director MBDC and Line Director-NTP argued that TB is huge burden in the country. BCCM should increase the fund allocation for next three years and according to the GF allocation letter BCCM should keep TB funding untouched in the splitting.

<u>NGOs:</u> Dr. Jahangir Hossain from CARE Bangladesh also proposed to increase funds in the HIV/AIDS component.

<u>PLHIV Constituency:</u> Ms. Habiba Akhter from PLHIV opined in favour of allocating an additional fund of US\$ 3.2 milion from Malaria to HIV/AIDS component as it was recommended in the country allocation letter sent by the GF.

<u>The Chairperson:</u> The Chair of this meeting requested the PRs and SRs to leave this room as they have COI in decision making of this agenda.

<u>PRs and SRs:</u> All the representatives from PRs and SRs left the room as they have COI in decision making of this agenda.

<u>Oversight Committee:</u> Prof. Dr. Mahmudur Rahman, Vice Chair BCCM Oversight Committee, refered from the email of Mr. Richard Cunliffe, FPM, GF-CT to Bangladesh 'The current disease split set out in the Allocation Letter proposes an increase in funding for TB per annum(compared to funding available from the last allocation per annum); and an increase in funding for Malaria per annum (compared to the funding available from the last allocation per annum). However, for HIV the Allocation Letter proposes a small



decrease in funding. Please note that the current disease split in the Allocation Letter is based on the methodology approved by the Global Fund Board for all countries and is provisional only. It must be formally considered by the BCCM and can be changed. In view of the fact that the funding for the HIV component was significantly reduced at the last allocation making it difficult to continue the level of services to affected population and patients, the BCCM must consider the disease split carefully. The Country Team recommends that the disease split for HIV is increased by US\$ 3.2 million from an equal deduction of US\$ 3.2 million from the disease split for Malaria. [This figure is calculated by taking the average current level of funding per annum for the 3 HIV grants, multiplied by 3 years and deducting the amount of the program split for HIV proposed in the Allocation Letter.] An adjustment in the disease split for HIV would enable the programs currently being implemented by the Government and NGOs under the HIV grants to maintain the same (but not increased) level of funding. It would mean a decrease in the proposed disease split for the Malaria program but this has had a significant increase since the previous allocation.'

**Government:** Prof. A K Azad, Director General, DGHS opined that according to the allocation letter, email from Mr. Richard and telephonic discussions with Mr. Richard, it is clear that HIV and AIDS has received less funding through which even current scale of interventions may not be possible to be operated. Therefore, he suggested to shift US\$3.2milion from Malaria to HIV as per GF recommendation. He stated that it is not easy to justify more funding from HPNSDP for HIV, however, donor funding for HIV is always appreciated. He stated that more funding for malaria in HPNSDP is possible and he agreed to allocate fund from HPNSDP for malaria as per the need of NMCP.

<u>Oversight Committee</u>: Ms. Roxana Quader, the Chair of Oversight Committee aslo suggested to allocate US\$ 3.2 milion for HIV from Malaria according to the GF-CT recommendation and TB would be untouched considering the high burden country for TB. Regarding PR continuation, along with the recommendation of the Global Fund, she also suggested to continue with the existing PRs as CCM has also noted that all PRs have been doing very well and received good grant ratings from the GF.

#### Decisions:

• The 88th meeting of BCCMdecided to allocate fund US\$ 3.2 million from Malaria to HIV/AIDS for next three years (2018-2020) allocation. Hence new fund split would be as mentioned table below:

Eligible disease component	Allocation US\$	Allocation Utilization Period
HIV	21,495,447	1 December 2017 to 30 November 2020
TB	97,935,663	1 January 2018 to 31 December 2020
Malaria	26,800,000	1 January 2018 to 31 December 2020
	146,231,110	

- The 88th meeting of BCCM decided to continue with all existing PRs based on their performance rating as the doing well according to the GF recommendation and their performance rating.
- The 88th meeting of BCCM decided that BCCM Secretariat would sent endorsed fund splittingto
  the GF Secretariat with signed fund split template after approval and signing 88th BCCM meeting
  minutes.

Agenda Item # 6 update on (a): NTP Management letter from GF (Jan-June 2016 issued on 1st December 2016)

Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

**BCCM Secretariat:** BCCM Coordinator requested to LD NTP to update the meeting about the NTP Management letter from GF (Jan-June 2016 issued on 1st December 2016. He mentioned that it is very important to comply with the management letter recommendation and correction before the OIG visit in 2017.

<u>LD NTP:</u> One behalf of LD NTP. Dr. Mojibur Rahman, National Coordinator, NTP updated about the the NTP Management letter from GF (Jan-June 2016 issued on 1st December 2016. He informed the meeting that NTP would comply all the recommendation in time.

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Decision: No decision was made in this agenda. The 88th BCCM meeting acknowledged the update on the the NTP Management letter from GF (Jan-June 2016 issued on 1st December 2016).

Agenda Item # 6 update on (b): Constituency consultation meeting (KAP/PLHIV/FBOs) Conflict of Interest: N/A

# Discussions by the constituencies:

**BCCM Secretariat:** BCCM Coordinator requested Mr. Shale ahmed to update about the 6<sup>th</sup> KAP/PLHIV Constituency consultation meeting.

**KAP PLHIV Constituency:** Mr. Shale Ahmed, BCCM Member and the convener of 6<sup>th</sup> KAP/PLHIV meeting updated the metting about the decision points about the 6<sup>th</sup> KAP/PLHIV Constituency consultation meeting. He requested to conduct constituency consultation in the divisional cities by rotation and BCCM should keep the provision of funding for this consultation meeting as required.

<u>Decision</u>: The 88<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting akcknowledged the update about the KAP/PLHIV constituency consultation meeting (minutes shared with all electronically and in the meeting folders).

Having no other issues to discuss, the Chair of this BCCM meeting wrapped up the meeting with thanks to the participants for their attendance and active participation.

Ms. Roxana Quader,

Additional Secretary (PH & WHO), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and

Chair of BCCM Oversight Committee

# Annexure -A

# **Bangladesh Country Coordinating Mechanism**

Members and Alternate members list of BCCM (2017-2019)

This list not according to seniority, it is according to constituency and Global Fund provided format.

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