Minutes on 8th KAP and PLHIV Constituency Meeting

16 October, 2017 // Conference Room // BANDHU// Kakrail, Dhaka

8th KAP and PLHIV constituency meeting is held on 16 October, 2017 at Bandhu Social Welfare Society (BSWS) conference room, Dhaka. Around 35 participants from different community group were attend the meeting while BCCM Coordinator Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas, Deputy Coordinator Mr. Harun also present. BSWS Executive Director Mr. Shale Ahmed welcome all the participants at his office and requested Mr. Shahid to moderate and chair this meeting.

Mr. Shahid gave a short briefing about the meeting with its objective. He shared the agenda of this meeting and requested all to give their introduction. After introduction Moderator requested Mr. Manaj Kumar, BCCM Coordinator to present a brief introduction about Bangladesh Country Coordinating Mechanism (BCCM) as most of the participants are newcomer at the meeting. It is mentioned that KAP and PLHA Constituency already organized seven such types of meeting. Mr. Manaj Kumar presented a nice introduction about BCCM.

The following discussion and decisions (action points) have been taken at the meeting:

SL No.	Action Points (AP)	Discussions	Responsible/ Remarks
1.	The minutes of last 7th KAP and PLHIV constituency is approved	Bandhu Executive Director read out the decisions of 7th KAP meeting and requested all to give their opinions. All the participants are agreed with the decisions and told to keep the issue of making KAP directory as a decision of this meeting also. Mr. Shahid will share the existing list with BSWS. Mr. Manaj Kumar will also share their updated list with BSWS. BSWS will make a draft directory and share with all to get feedback. At next meeting draft directory will be present to all.	It is decided that an updated directory of KAP constituency will be developed. Bandhu will lead this process.

CCM update for the last six months by CCM coordination office

BCCM Deputy Coordinator Mr. Harun Or Rashid presented the last six months update of BCCM. Key activities are as beliows;

- 90th and 91th meeting of BCCM have been held,
- Special meeting on HIV is held and chaired by honorable minister, MoHFW
- 15th and 16th Oversight committee meeting have been held
- A High-level parliamentarian and civil society group from Sri Lanka and Bhutan visited the good practices of Bangladesh
- A retreat of BCCM has been held on 26 Sep, 2017
- Funding request for HIV, TB and Malaria has submitted to Global Fund and hope to signing grant by November 2017
- Oversight committee (OC) will visit HIV center at Lalbag on 18 October, and TB center on 22 October, 17
- OC will visit outside of Dhaka in Nov and Dec, 17

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Based on the presentation of BCCM update some questions are asked by the participants, for instance,

Ms. Shova Hijra asked that is there any planning of government to fill up the gap of funding which is provided by the global fund now?

Mr. Farid (MSM cons.) asked for the specific planning for adult, MSM, Hijra and other KAP constituencies in absence of global fund.

Mr. Royal (MSM cons.) asked that is there any strategy for fill up the needs KAP constituencies? He highlighted that how we can avoid the political game in terms of the security of gender based minorities?

Mr. Manaj Kumar told some decisions of special HIV meeting, such as

- A draft minutes of the special HIV meeting has been shared to all KAP groups and now need to approval from chair
- Govt. will take over the treatment and care arrangement from NGOs from 1st October, 2017. Govt. will observe it up-to December and if there will any difficulties or



		problems honorable minister, MoHFW will take proper initiative by January 2018, - Honorable minister, MoHFW told to include all the KAP in CCM and strengthen it Mr. Shahid shared the experience of retreat meeting. He also raised the issue of funding in absence of global fund at the retreat meeting. Mr. Hafizuddin Munna told the present situation of treatment and care system of PLHIV and he urged for smooth transition of this system as no one deprived from proper care. He also urged to create special corner, like ART corner in the six hospitals from where treatment and care is facilitated now. He mentioned that in BSMMU still it is written as HIV corner and PLHIV people are discriminated there. Mr. Royal (MSM cons.) asked a question that how we document the experience of PLHIV in terms of getting treatment and care during Oct to Dec, 2017 for submitting to government. In this regard it is good if we have any planning from the KAP groups. Mr. Shale gave importance on documentation to raise any issue regarding treatment and care to the government.	
3.	Update on special meeting on HIV chaired by HE Mr. Nasim, Minister, Ministry of health and family affairs	A discussion took place that there was special meeting at Ministry of health and Family Welfare on 7th September. Honorable Minister was present and chaired the meeting and the key objective to host the meeting was how HIV prevalence becomes too high amongst IDUs and what would be the possible solution to move forward. Mr. Shale Ahmed expressed his gratitude and thanks to honorable minister for his passion and listening carefully about HIV related issues and as a result of that immediate visit to chankharpul to investigate the rate of HIV increasing among the IDU.	Shale Ahmed share the notes of the meeting amongst the members

4.	Update on BCCM re-treat	Mr. Shahid shared a brief update about BCCM retreat took place on 26th September at Dhaka Club. There was a key exercise took place at the re-treat about how the country HIV programme will continue with support from Govt. once Global Fund slowly phase out from Bangladesh.	BCCM secretariat will share the notes of re-treat soon.
5.	Divisional level consultation by GMS	Mr. Shale Ahmed shared key recommendations from the divisional level consultations done by GMS (Grant Management Solution). He shared concerns about some personal affairs of some key persons by GMS team members while conducting divisional level consultation.	
		Mr. Manaj Kumar described his experience and his inference with GMS on this particular issue during consultation meeting at Chittagong.	
6.	World AIDS Day and provision of lunching of Community Forum in Bangladesh	A proposal of lunching Community Forum of KAP constituencies during celebration of World AIDS DAY 2017 has been raised by Bandhu. All KAP constituencies agreed to launch Community Forum at AIDS Day, 2017	Mr. Shale and Mr. Shanid told that they will communicate with OKUP to finalize this launching
		Migrant representative (from OKUP) Mr. A Mamun told that OKUP has a plan to organize a national level consultation on AIDS day, so Community Forum may launch from this consultation.	
7.	AOB	9th KAP and PLHIV constituency meeting will be held at PIACT Bangladesh Office, Adabor, Mohammadpur by 15th of December 2017, Ms. Aleya Akter Lily has taken responsibility to coordinate this meeting.	Aleya Akter Lily will host the next meeting.

Finally, as there was no agenda left over Mr. Shahid thanked to all and requested to participate the next meeting.

