

10<sup>th</sup> NGO Consultation Meeting  
**Bangladesh Country Coordinating Mechanism (BCCM)**  
Organized by: Family Development Services & Research (FDSR)  
Venue: Conference Room, Care- Bangladesh  
Rowya Plaza, Dhaka  
Date & time: Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2017, at 10:30 am.

**Minutes on 10<sup>th</sup> NGO Constituency Consultation Meeting**

**Introduction:**

The meeting was organized by the Family Planning Services & Research (FDSR) on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 in conference room at Care - Bangladesh, Rowya Plaza, Mohakhali, in Dhaka. It was decided in previous meeting that the 10<sup>th</sup> NGO constituency meeting will be invited / organized by FDSR. As such the meeting was held on that day in due time at respective venue.

At the beginning of the 9<sup>th</sup> NGO constituency consultation meeting, SM SM Shirajul Islam Executive Director of PDC welcomed all the members of the constituency. He said that we are grateful to the committee for giving the opportunity to arrange the meeting with all renowned NGO's of Bangladesh. He also expressed his gratitude to the members for their presence and contribution for making BCCM functioning well that would enhance the smooth operation of global funds activities in Bangladesh. The smooth operations would ensure the eradication of TB, Malaria and HIV AIDS from Bangladesh. On behalf of the elected members of the constituency, Mr. Islam also thanked the BCCM secretariat for their technical and financial support to arrange the meeting.

A total of 37 participants were attended in the meeting and all participants of the meeting made self-introduction. As a convener of the meeting, the Project Director, Sheikh Nazrul Islam facilitated the meeting and provides welcoming address to all. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Jahangir Hossain, Director (Health), Care – Bangladesh.

Afterwards, the following agendas were discussed in the meeting.

**Agendas:**

- 1) Review of last meeting (9<sup>th</sup>) meeting minutes and endorsement
- 2) Update CCM of previous six months activities by CCM secretariat
  - (i) BCCM meeting
  - (ii) Oversight committee meeting
  - (iii) Oversight visit
  - (iv) Grant signing
- 3) Malaria status of Bangladesh update by FDSR.
- 4) Strengthen the Cooperation, Coordination and referral among the network.
- 5) Miscellaneous:
  - (i) New member include and selection of implementing partner criteria.
  - (ii) Open Discussion on NGO Constituency Issues
  - (iii) Schedule next meeting (host, location, Participation etc.)

**1. Review of previous meeting (9<sup>th</sup>) minutes and endorsement**

Mr. Islam welcomed the all participants in the 10<sup>th</sup> NGO consultation meeting and explained the objectives of BCCM and explained the responsibilities NGO constituency member as a convener of this meeting.

Then Project Director Sheikh Nazrul Islam requested to Executive Director of PDC, Mr. SM Shirajul Islam (the host of the 9<sup>th</sup> NGO constituency meeting) to share the outcomes of the 9<sup>th</sup> NGO consultation meeting.

Later, Mr. Nazrul shared the summary of the issues and outcomes of the 9<sup>th</sup> NGO consultation meeting that was held at Photo Journalist auditorium, Purano Palton, Dhaka, date was Tuesday, October 24, 2017, arranged by PDC. Based on the full consent of the members, the last meeting minutes was endorsed.

## **2. Update CCM of previous six months activities by CCM secretariat**

Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas, Coordinator of BCCM provided an update on last BCCM meetings (92<sup>th</sup>) where several discussion and decisions were made and those had been shared among the participants. He informed that the 92<sup>th</sup> BCCM meeting was held on November 21, 2017 in the conference room of MOHFW chaired by the honourable minister Mohammed Nasim of this ministry. He also confirmed that the next BCCM meeting (93<sup>nd</sup>) may be held on February 2018 in a convenient time.

After that, Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas presented the Oversight Committee Activities from March to October 2017. The activities were:

### **Meetings:**

- 15<sup>th</sup> Oversight Committee meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Oversight Committee meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

### **Visits:**

- Site Visit to PR HIV-icddr,b on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2017
- Site Visit to PR TB-NTP Dhaka office on 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2017
- Site Visit to Khulna and Barishal for HIV and TB program.
- Site Visit to Dhaka Urban for HIV and TB program. On 19<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017.

The site visit recommendation and the decisions of 16<sup>th</sup> oversight committee meeting (held on 12 September) were also shared with the participants. The printed copy of the recommendations and decisions were also distributed among the participants of the meeting.

Later, the BCCM coordinator shared the funding request submission to the GF for TB, Malaria and HIV for the period of 2018-2020.

- Funding requests have been submitted to GF Secretariat for
  - HIV and TB on 15 March 2017;
  - Malaria on 23 March 2017
  - GF Secretariat has submitted to Technical Review Panel (TRP)
- TRP recommended to start grant making for TB and HIV components
- Grant Negotiation will be done for
  - Malaria: 05-09 June 2017 in Geneva, Switzerland
  - HIV and TB: 02-14 July 2017 in Dhaka, Bangladesh
  - Final Document submission for Grant Approval Committee (GAC) by 17 July 2017

- All Grant signing is completed in November 2017
- All Grant Implementations: From January 2018

In connection with previous meeting, Mr. Manaj Kumar Biswas also updated that they are trying to produce newsletter since last year. Hopefully, from August, this year BCCM secretariat will be able to start to publish newsletter where the activities of BCCM, including success and problems will be highlighted.

### **3. Malaria Status of Bangladesh**

Sheikh Nazrul Islam presented the Malaria Status of Bangladesh using power point. He showed in the slight that Malaria endemic district is 13, Risk Population - 17.52 million, Total cases identified - 27,737, death - 17, API – 1.65 / 1000 population, mortality rate – 0.10 / 100,000 population, ABER – 5.67%, Test positive rate – 2.79%, 67% case reduction since 2008 (27,737 in 2016 comparing to 84,690 in 2008), 89% malaria death reduction since 2008(17 in 2016 comparing to 154 in 2008). The above information as per report of 2016.

Out of the 13 districts 3 hill districts of Rangamati, Bandhorban and Khagrachri is the main Malaria effected zone. Some upazillas of Coxsbazer and Chittagong districts, adjacent to hill districts also epidemic areas. To alleviate the Malaria, we have to need more collaboration among the GoB, NGOs, and Private sectors including public. Referring from other organizations to service providing facilities can reduce the death and effected number. Smiling Sun Clinic has 25 static clinics and near about 750 satellite spots in 3 hill districts. So they can refer the effected patients to service providing facilities.

**Finally it was decided that,**

- (i) *A list can be prepared by the respective service providing organization those who are working / involve in health sectors in CHT districts.*
- (ii) *Initially a meeting can be organized by the sub recipient partners in respective 3 districts giving high priority.*
- (iii) *Referral should be strengthening among the organizations.*

### **4. Strengthen the Cooperation, Coordination and referral among the network.**

At present 147 members are enlisted and voter under this network. But maximum members are not active in their role and responsibilities. Though they are working individually in this field as per their doners instructions. BCCM secretariat can take a role to more active the CCM network through inviting meeting regionally. The CCM and the elected members always arranged meeting at central / Dhaka based. So the general members from different districts and upazillas are not feeling interest to attend the meeting costing from own pocket.

The Global Fund recipient organizations can ask to sub recipient organizations to attend the CCM meeting regularly.

**Decision:**

- (i) *The CCM NGO Constituency meeting can be organized regionally.*
- (ii) *The Principal Recipients of the Global Fund grants should issue a latter to sub recipient organizations for attending CCM NGO Constituency meeting.*

## **5. Miscellaneous:**

### **(i) New member includes and selection of implementing partner criteria.**

Green Hill - Rangamati, Bandhon- Noakhali, these 2 organizations are working for Malaria, HIV counseling, TB and NMCH under Smiling Sun Clinic network. But they are not the member of CCM. They want to include themselves as a member in this network. The Coordinator of BCCM informed them to apply with some necessary documents i.e Constitution, Audit report for 3 years, NGO bureau certificate, Registration certificate from DSS etc.

### **(ii) Open discussion on NGO constituency issue:**

Some of the participants discussed regarding presence in the CCM meeting of members and it is unsatisfactory. It was decided that if any member will not attend in consecutive 3 meetings then his membership may be cancelled. For strengthening the network and to produce effective result the number of participant must be increased.

Mr. Sheikh Nazrul Islam informed the participants that all the members were invited to attend the meeting via email and for re-confirmation telephone called was made. In some cases, face-to-face communication was made to invite the members. Many of the members confirmed to attend. However, at the last moment, some of them canceled and others never communicated.

To increase the participants of the CCM meeting, Care, BRAC, ICDDR'B etc organization also will issue a letter to the CCM members under their partnership.

Global Fund principal recipient's organizations may present updated information's on HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria and NMCH issues in the meeting using projector.

### **(iii) Schedule next meeting (host, location, Participation etc.)**

It was discussed in the meeting to organize the next CCM meeting. Upon discussion among present members Dr. Jahangir Hossain, Director- Health of Care - Bangladesh showed his expression to host and to organize the 11<sup>th</sup> NGO constituency meeting by April, 2018 at the same venue of Care conference room. The date will be shared by Dr. Jahangir Hossain later.

**Decision: *The 11<sup>th</sup> NGO constituency consultation meeting by April, 2018 and Care Bangladesh is responsible to organize the next meeting at the same venue of Care Bangladesh conference room.***



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