

**Minutes of the 67<sup>th</sup> meeting of Country Coordinating Mechanism Sri Lanka held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2008, at 3.00pm, in the Conference Room of the Anti Malaria Campaign, Public Health Complex, 555/5, Elvitigala Mawatha, Colombo 05.**

**Present:**

Mr. Shirley Tissera	- Congress of Religions/ CFP (Vice Chairman / CCM)
Dr. R. R. Abeyasinghe	- Project Director, GFATM Projects, MOH
Prof. Carlo Fonseka	- University Grants Commission
Dr. Chandra Sarukkali	- Director / NPTCCD
Mr. David Bridger	- UNAIDS
Dr. (Mrs.) K. Navarathne	- World Bank Mission
Dr. Chris Nonis	- Ceylon Chamber of Commerce
Mr. Gamini Wanasekara	- The Family Planning Association
Dr. L. P. Chandradasa	- Director GFATM Project / Sarvodaya
Mr. D.A.D.N.C. Wimalaratne	- Rural & Community Development Association
Ms. Swarna Kodagoda	- Alliance Lanka
Ms. Kusum Wasala	- Wason Foundation
Ms Princy Mangalika	- Lanka Plus

**Observers:**

Dr Sujatha Mananwatte	- NSACP
Dr V. I. Jayasuriya	- CNAPT
Dr. S.L.G Jayasuriya	- IMPA
Dr N. Punchihewa	- SLMA
Dr. G. Weerasinghe	- Collage of Venereologists
Dr. K. Buddhakorala	- Collage of Venereologists
Dr Janaki Vidanapathirana	- NSACP
Mr H S P Ranaweera	- Project Accountant / GFATM
Ms. Hiranthi Ratnayake	- Local Fund Agency (PWC)
Ms. H R S Kotuwegoda	- CNAPT

**Excused:**

Dr. Athula Kahandaliyanage	- Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition (Chairman/CCM)
Dr. Ajith Mendis	- Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition
Dr P.G. Mahipala	- Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition
Dr. Nimal Edirisinghe	- Director / NSACP
Dr Moazzem Hossain	- UNICEF
Mr. M.I.M. Iqbal	- Sewa Lanka Foundation

**Absent:**

Dr. Agostino Borra	- WHO Representative
Dr Supriya Warusavithana	- WHO
Mr. S.K.D. Dassanayake	- Sri Lanka Red Cross Society

**Proceedings**

The meeting was chaired by Mr Shirley Tissera, Vice Chair CCMSL due to absence of Dr Athula Kahandaliyanage, Chairman CCMSL.

**1. Confirmation of the Minutes of 65<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

The minutes were proposed as being in order by Mr. David Bridger and seconded by Prof. Carlo Fonseka, subject to the changes discussed.

**2. Matters arising from the minutes**

Dr. C. Sarukkali stated that the motorcycle issue remained as same, and she said that tender board had decided to go back to the original supplier. Dr Abeyasinghe queried if it would be necessary to call for new tenders and D/NPTCCD stated there was not enough time to do so as only 4 months were remaining. After discussion it was agreed to request the Ministry to expedite the existing process.

### **3. Round 8 Proposals**

Dr RR Abeyasinghe informed that CCMSL that the Round 8 Malaria proposal had been successfully submitted to the GFATM Secretariat and the estimated total of the grant if approved would be USD 40.9M. He also stated that the proposal; envisages triple track financing with the three PRs selected by the CCMSL viz, PR1- Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition, PR2- Tropical Environmental Disease and Health Associates Pvt Ltd (TEDHA) & PR3- Sarvodaya as representing Government, Private sector and NGO respectively.

Dr Abeyasinghe stated that the R8 HIV proposal could not be submitted as the proposal could not be completed in time. The CCMSL should ensure that future proposals are completed in time for submission.

### **4. Round 9 Proposals**

- Newspaper announcement- EOIs

Dr R R Abeyasinghe said that as the previous CCMSL decision, a newspaper announcement was published in all three languages calling for Expressions of Interest for Round 9 HIV proposals. He further said 39 EOIs were received. These EOIs have been handed over to the HIV subcommittee.

- Workshop for HIV Proposal Formulation

Dr R R Abeyasinghe stated that a workshop has been organized for formulation of HIV country proposal for Round 9. He invited all CCMSL members to participate for the workshop.

Dr. Abeyasinghe stressed that inclusiveness was the policy of the GFATM and he requested to include as many EOIs as possible in the future proposal. Dr G Weerasinghe was asked to report on the progress of the HIV proposal formulation.

Dr Weerasinghe explained that HIV subcommittee Chaired by Dr P.G.Mahipala had already met three times and appointed a technical committee to identify priority areas and to develop a TOR. Dr HM Herath has been appointed as the National Consultant and the International Consultant has been identified. Dr Abeyasinghe queried who would be responsible for writing the proposal, Dr Weerasinghe explained that HIV consultants of NSACP, Private Sector and National Consultant would be responsible. Dr Weerasinghe also identified timeline according to which a draft proposal would be submitted to CCMSL Secretariat by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2009.

Dr Punchihewa asked for logistical support. Vice Chair and Focal Point CCMSL asked them to provide a budget to be submitted to donors.

Dr Abeyasinghe stated that it should not be cause for delay of proposal formulation  
Ms. Princy Mangalika from Lanka Plus stated that participated a workshop on Proposal  
formulation in Malaysia recently and she said proposal writing material can be provided  
To other NGOs if required.

### **5. CCM Funding**

Dr R R Abeyasinghe explained that as per the advice received from the Legal Officer of the  
MoH it was necessary to register the CCMSL as a Trust. Accordingly the Ministry Legal Division  
has drafted a Trust Deed and it was proposed to nominate 5 trustees. After discussion The  
CCM approved the nomination of the following as trustees;

Dr Athula Kahandaliyanage (Chairman, CCM)

Mr. Shirley Tissera (Vice Chair, CCM)

Dr R R Abeyasinghe (Focal Point, CCM)

Dr Chris Nonis (Representative Private Sector)

Dr Lalith Chandradasa (Representative Civil Society)

Dr Chandradasa requested the need for a clause in the document for replacement of trustees  
when needed. Members discussed the proposed trust deed and unanimously approved the draft  
trust deed.

### **6. Education Component of the Round 6 HIV GF Project**

Dr Abeyasinghe tabled a letter from D/NSACP regarding the above matter. Then Dr Janaki  
Vidanapathirana was asked to explain the situation. She said that in the education component  
of the round 6 HIV, they developed teachers guide and training modules for trainers with  
Ministry of Education Officials. However the Education Ministry officials were now reluctant to  
work with NSACP possibly due to the fact that Education Ministry had got US \$ 5M from ADB to  
address the HIV issue in Schools.

D/NSACP has written regarding this to Ms Malavika Rao (FPM) and the Hon. Minister of  
Healthcare & Nutrition. Dr Abeyasinghe suggested discussing this matter at the up coming  
Regional meeting in Colombo on 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008.

### **7. TB Round 1 Phase 2 payment- CNAPT**

Dr R R Abeyasinghe said that there was a shortage of money in R1 TB grant. Ms Hiranthi Ratnayake, LFA said DR was signed and sent but money had not been disbursed due to delay in sending DR. Dr H W Perera, from CNAPT said 1990 out of 3000 materials finished. Dr Abeyasinghe said that discussed with Ms Malavika to expedite to release money and promised to release money after receipt of same from GFATM.

### **8. Membership of the CCMSL – DR Moazzem Hossain UNICEF**

Dr R R Abeyasinghe stated Dr Moazzem Hossain has been nominated as the representative from the UNICEF to CCMSL. He was invited to the meeting today but was unable to come as he is out of the country.

### **9. Other matters**

The GFATM has informed that Ms. Sylwia Murray has been appointed as the Acting Fund Portfolio Manager for Sri Lanka.


It was decided to request Ms Jessica Lea of Sewa Lanka Foundation who participated in the Jakarta workshop on proposal formulation to participate in the workshop on HIV Proposal Development scheduled for 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008.

Dr Abeyasinghe answering a query by members stated that travel cost of members attending CCMSL meetings can be reimbursed when CCMSL funds are received.

Dr Abeyasinghe summarized the matters discussed in Sinhala.

### **10. The Next CCM meeting**

The date for the next meeting will be notified to the members in due course.

  
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