

Minutes of the 74th meeting of Country Coordinating Mechanism Sri Lanka held on 24th March 2010, at 2.30pm, in the Conference Room of the Anti Malaria Campaign, Public Health Complex, 555/5, Elvitigala Mawatha, Colombo 05.

Present:

Dr. Nihal Jayathilake	- Acting Secretary MoH
Mr. Shirley Tissera	- Congress of Religions / CFPA (Vice Chairman/CCMSL)
Dr. R. R. Abeyasinghe	- Project Director/GFATM Projects MOH, Focal Point/CCMSL
Dr. Nimal Edirisinghe	- Director / NSACP
Dr. S. Deniyage	- Director/ AMC
Mr. David Bridger	- UNAIDS Country Representative for Sri Lanka
Dr. F.R Mehta	- WHO Country Representative for Sri Lanka
Dr. (Mrs.) K. Navarathne	- World Bank Mission
Mr. Gamini Wanasekara	- The Family Planning Association
Dr. Chris Nonis	- Ceylon Chamber of Commerce
Dr. L. P. Chandradasa	- Director GFATM Project / Sarvodaya
Ms. Swarna Kodagoda	- Alliance Lanka
Ms. Kusum Wasala	- Wason Foundation
Mr. D.A.D.N.C. Wimalaratne	- Rural & Community Development Association
Ms. Sherin Rodrigo	- Lanka Plus

In attendance:

Mr. John Parsons	- The Inspector General- TGF
Mr. Mr. Taufiqur Rahman	- Regional Team Leader- SWA – TGF
Ms. Malavika Rao	- FPM- South and West Asia TGF
Mr. Charles Wambua	- The Global Fund
Mr. Agustinus Mangampa	- Auditor- OIG, The Global Fund
Ms. Gill Sivyur	- LFA – Geneva
Dr. Vinya Ariyaratne	- Lanka Jathika Sarvodaya Shramadana Sangamaya
Dr. Panduka Wijyaratne	- TEDHA
Ms. Dianne Stevens	- UNICEF
Ms. Kaushalya Navaratne	- Sewa Lanka Foundation
Mr. Channa Manoharan	- PWC
Dr. Joanne Harnmeijer	- Member - Audit Team - ETC Crystal
Mr. Robert Cornelis Verhage	- Member - Audit Team- HERA
Mr. Shiv Narayan	- Member - Audit Team – E & Y Pvt. Ltd
Mr. Prateek Rustogi	- Member - Audit Team – E & Y Pvt. Ltd
Mr. Guarav Sharma	- Member - Audit Team – E & Y Pvt. Ltd
Ms. Nilakshi Fonseka	- LFA- PWC Sri Lanka

Mr. Saman Kumara	- LFA- PWC Sri Lanka
Mr. Lalith Peiris	- LFA- PWC Sri Lanka
Mr. Saman Ranathunga	- Project Officer NPTCCD
Ms. Hirusha Alwis	- DEO/ CCMSL
Mr. Chanaka Walawwatte	- Programme Officer /CCMSL

Excused:

Dr. AKSB De Alwis	- Director / NPTCCD
Dr. Moazzem Hossain	- UNICEF
Mr. M.I.M. Iqbal	- Sewa Lanka Foundation

Absent:

Dr. Ajith Mendis	- Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition
Dr P.G. Mahipala	- Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition
Prof. Carlo Fonseka	- University Grants Commission
Mr. S.K.D. Dassanayake	- Sri Lanka Red Cross Society
Ms. W. Prasadika	- Central Chest Clinic

Proceedings

The meeting was chaired by Dr Nihal Jayathilake, Acting Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare and Nutrition. He welcomed all the participants on behalf of the CCMSL.

Dr R R Abeyasinghe introduced Mr. John Parsons, Inspector General of the Global Fund, Officials from the Global Fund Secretariat and the representatives of the audit team. Following this the CCMSL members and others in attendance introduced themselves.

Main Item – Debriefing of the country audit

Mr John Parsons, Inspector of General, was invited to start the debriefing of the country audit by Dr Nihal Jayathilake, Acting Secretary, Ministry of Healthcare & Nutrition. Mr Parsons thanked all CCMSL members for facilitating the country audit. Mr Agustinus Mangampa, Team Leader of the country audit team presenting his report outlined the categories which they covered in the country audit. Among It included Objectives and Scope of the audit, Grant Overview, Grant operating environment and the institutional arrangements. Presentations were also made by Dr Joanne Harnmeijer, Public Health Specialist of the Audit Team and Mr. Robert Cornelis Verhage, PSM Specialist with the Audit Team. The presentations were followed by a discussion with the CCM members and the representatives of the audit team.

2. Confirmation of the Minutes of 73rd Meeting & matters arising from the minutes

Members were informed that due to time constraint confirmation of the 73rd meeting and matters arising will be taken up at the next meeting.

3. Continued Funding – Round 6 phase II

Dr Abeyasinghe stated that he is happy to say that Round 6 HIV phase II –MoH and Round 6 TB phase II MoH grant applications submitted by the CCMSL have been approved by GFATM. He further stated that under these approvals additional funding up to USD 934,350 for the HIV/AIDS project and additional funds up to USD 5,663,689 for TB project will be made available.

However Dr Abeyasinghe explained that the Round 6 Phase 2 application of Sarvodaya had been granted a conditional no go and the CCMSL had been provided time till 13th April 2010 to respond to concerns raised by the GFATM. Accordingly he informed that the Sarvodaya Team and the NPTCCD Team were being assisted by the WHO Country Office to respond to the concerns raised by the GFATM and resubmit their proposal to the CCMSL on the 5th April 2010 for endorsement. This date was agreed by the members due to the upcoming General Elections and Sinhala New Year Holidays. On a request by Dr Navarathne, Dr Chandradasa agreed to make available an electronic version of the phase II proposal before the meeting.

Dr Abeyasinghe mentioned that grant negotiation for the round 9 grants would commence soon as the PR assessments were already initiated by the LFA. The CCMSL requested PR2 Sarvodaya to provide more time for prospective sub recipients to submit EOI for implementing the R9 HIV grant. CCMSL given 7 days extension for prospective sub recipients to submit EOI for implementing R9 HIV grant.

5. Reprogramming of Funds

Sarvodaya – TB Round 6

Dr Abeyasinghe tabled a request letter from Dr Lalith Chandradasa, Director/ Sarvodaya GFATM Projects requesting reprogramming of the following activities to which the CCM granted concurrence;

Savings (US \$134,338.50) of Round 6 Phase 1 to reprogrammed for implement activities conducted by Sarvodaya district centers to celebrate World TB Day - Estimated Expenditure US \$ 13,157.89

Savings (US \$134,338.50) of Round 6 Phase 1 to reprogrammed for Media campaign on World TB Day - Estimated Expenditure US \$ 6,140.35

Savings of SLMA (Sub Recipient in Round 6 Phase 1) allocation to reprogrammed for procurement of Multimedia projector to SLMA – Estimated expenditure US \$ 3,699

At this time Mr Taufiqur Rahman queried whether these activities were already done or not. Dr R R Abeyasinghe explained that this is prior approval from CCM before getting the concurrence from GF Secretariat.

In addition to reprogramming of funds following changes to the targets already identified were requested for by Sarvodaya. The CCM after consideration accepted the following changes of targets,

Reduce the number of MLTs to be trained from 1250 to 1000 of which 350 MLTs trained during Phase 1. (Activity No 10.5)

Increase the number of Pre-intern medical officers to be trained from 2000 to 2250 within the same budget allocated for this activity (Activity No 10.7)

Round 8 Ph1 Antibody testing of Clinical Malaria cases – Dr Chandradasa proposed that this activity be carried out at the Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Medical Science, University of Sri Jayawardenepura instead of Department of Parasitology, Faculty of Medical Science, University of Colombo as originally decided. This change had been requested by the University of Colombo and the CCM approved the change

TEDHA

Dr Abeyasinghe tabled a request letter from Dr Pandu Wijeratne, PR2 Round 8 Malaria, to carryout following reprogramming activities.

Furniture for Entomology Filed Team Premises USD 9,394.37

Health Products – Fever/Parasitological Surveillance Sites USD 2,244.97

Health Products – Entomological Sentinel Sites USD 4,009.33

Service – Inventory Control and Internal Audit – USD 1,481.00

Non Health Products – District office and mobile clinic supplies USD 32,652.66

CCM granted approval for all the requested reprogramming excluding the non-health products as the requested budget amount was significant (US \$ 32,652.66) it was decided to recommend this to the GF secretariat for approval.

TEDHA has also requested the CCMSL to consider a request to extend mobile clinic coverage to schools in the project districts. The CCMSL agreed in principle to this request but urged TEDHA to ensure that proper approval was obtained from the Education Ministry before embarking on this activity.

TB / MoH R-06

Dr Abeyasinghe tabled a request letter from Dr Sunil De Alwis, Director/ NPTCCD requesting reprogramming of the following activities to which the CCM granted concurrence;

Refurbishment of MDR TB ward (Activity No. 1.5.1) to reprogrammed for minor civil works at central lab - Estimated Expenditure US \$ 1,031

Supplementary maintenance /fuel etc (Activity No. 1.5.8) to reprogrammed for minor civil works at central drug store- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 856

Improved default tracing (Activity No. 1.3.2) to reprogrammed for commemoration of world TB day 2010-District level programme- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 8,895

Address waste management issues at district chest clinics (Activity No. 1.5.11) to reprogrammed for procurement of furniture equipments DCC, Base & district hospitals in Rathnapura district- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 52,713

Improved default tracing (Activity No. 1.3.2) to reprogrammed for renovation of the word no 6-Chest Hospital Welisara- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 2,734

Address waste management issues at district chest clinic-Colombo (Activity No. 1.5.11) to reprogrammed for training of DOT Providers- Samurdi Niyamakers, Gramaniladaras, - Estimated Expenditure US \$ 826

Address waste management issues at district chest clinic-Colombo (Activity No. 1.5.11) to reprogrammed for training Programme for Mos and RMOs in Health institutions other than District Chest clinics- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 786

Address waste management issues at district chest clinic-Colombo (Activity No. 1.5.11) to reprogrammed for training of staff at health facilities both in public & unlinked public health sector- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 4783

Production & performance street dramas (Activity No. 4.11.6.4) to reprogrammed for commemoration of world TB day 2010-District level programme- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 7,156
District Chest clinic refurbishment (Activity No. 1.5.3) to reprogrammed for commemoration of world TB day 2010-Refreshment- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 6,087

Operational research (Activity No. 5.14) to reprogrammed for commemoration of world TB day 2010-Refreshment- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 1,666

External technical Assistant (Activity No. 1.4.13) to reprogrammed for maintenance of vehicle-PA 5628- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 3,154

HIV /MoH -R 6

Dr Nimal Edirisinghe, Director/ NSACP requested permission to carry out the following reprogramming of funds

Presenting finalizing & printing Questioners (Activity No. 2.1.4.2) to reprogrammed for procurement of Lap top computer – Estimated Expenditure US \$ 691

Presenting finalizing & printing Questioners (Activity No. 2.1.4.2) to reprogrammed for evaluation of projects sent by selected schools in Sabaragamuwa province - Estimated Expenditure US \$ 1946

Presenting finalizing & printing Questioners (Activity No. 2.1.4.2) to reprogrammed for awarding of prizes for the winners of the best health Promoting schools competition in Sabaragamuwa province - Estimated Expenditure US \$ 983

Assessment of required drugs and reagents (Activity No. 3.1.1.1.) to reprogrammed for renewal of insurance cover for vehicle GH 0353 - (utilizing for GFATM activities)- Estimated Expenditure US \$ 283

6. Stakeholder consultation- South Asia GFATM Multi Country proposal on MSM and HIV – 26th- 28th April 2010 in Thailand

Dr Abeyasinghe stated that the CCMSL was requested to nominate a person to participate in the above workshop and in related activities on behalf of the CCMSL. Accordingly he said he had consulted Dr Edirisinghe and Mr. Bridger in this regard and on their recommendation it was decided to nominate Mr. Gamini Wanasekara to participate on behalf of the CCM. Mr. Wanasekara agreeing to represent the CCMSL said he will participate and keep the membership informed regarding the above proposal. Members approved the nomination of Mr. Gamini Wanasekara.

7. Extension of the service of the CCMSL staff.

Dr Abeyasinghe explained that CCMSL has submitted financial statement of the 2009/2010 to the GF and requested to 2010/11 budget for finding. Now it is at the LFA review. Once this is finished they will submit the grant application to the GF with recommendations. Dr Abeyasinghe explained the need to extend the services of the Programme Officer and the Driver CCMSL subjected to the approval of the 2010/11 CCM funding. The CCMSL agreed to provisional extension of services pending grant funding application approval.

8. Other Matters.

- Alternate member to the Board representing the SEAR constituency. As per the agreed scheme by the Regional Ministers of Health it will be the turn of Sri Lanka to be the alternate member to the board. Mr. Shirley Tissera mentioned that the Civil Society representative will function as the Alternate and the Govt. Sector representative will function as the Board member as earlier agreed. The CCMSL decided to nominate Mr. Shirley Tissera, Vice Chair, CCMSL as the Alternate Board member representing Sri Lanka.

13. The Next CCM meeting

The next meeting will be held on 5th April 2010



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