Expression of Interest to vote or to be elected as civil society representatives in the Country Coordinating Mechanism Sri Lanka (CCMSL) of the Global Fund (GF) to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

The Secretariat, CCMSL invites expression of interest (EOI) from eligible organizations and persons to be elected as members of the CCMSL and/or to participate in voting process for the selection of CCMSL members.

The Global Fund was established in 2002 with the overall aim of attracting, managing and disbursing resources to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis (TB) and Malaria and strengthen health systems.

It makes available financial resources for the prevention and control of these three diseases and also supports programs that strengthen the health systems of the eligible countries. Sri Lanka has been receiving financial and technical support from the GF since 2003 and until the end of 2024. Sri Lanka is privileged to receive financial and technical support for years 2025-2027 as well.

The Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) is the "national consensus group" which has been established in response to the requirements and recommendations of the GF as the body to provide overall guidance and oversight for securing and use of GF grants. This is in accordance with the GF recognition that through a country driven, coordinated, multisectoral approach, significant impact can be made to reduce disease burden, illness and death from these three diseases.

Countries seeking GF support are expected to include representatives from Government, Academia, Civil Society and Multilateral/Bilateral Development Partners in the country as CCM members. CCM members serve in a voluntary and honorary capacity and their active participation is essential for the success of the programmes.

The Civil Society Representatives on the CCMSL will be elected by their constituency. The CCMSL Secretariat invites interested organizations from the following constituencies which have been officially registered and wish to participate in the election of the CCM Civil Society Representatives to submit their 'expression of interest' for this purpose.

Organizations who are currently Principal Recipients (PR), sub-recipients (SR), or sub-sub-recipients (SSR) of GF grants or are planning to be PR, SR or SSR in future grants are also eligible to be elected as CCMSL members. Contestants/ voters should not have any other obvious conflict between the organization's interests and CCM's interests. The contestants for CCMSL membership are also be eligible to vote in the respective constituency.

The breakdown of the constituencies of the Civil Society membership is as follows:

NGOs and CBOs
Key populations (KP)
Private sector
Faith based organizations
Academia
People living with or affected by HIV/AIDS (PLWD)
Representative
Representative
Representative
Representative
Representative
Representative

The overall eligibility criteria for candidates and voters include the following:

1) For the NGOs/CBOs:

Any NGO/CBO registered with the NGO Secretariat under Act 31 of 1980 or Business Registration under Company Act or as a Trust registered at Land Registry. Those organizations should have been working in Sri Lanka for at least 3 years, with an involvement or interest in the health sector.

2) Key Populations (KP):

Any organization of and led by key populations operating in Sri Lanka for at the last 3 years is eligible to apply for this seat.

Key Population 1 includes:

Men who have Sex with Men (MSM), People who Inject Drugs (PWID), Transgender People (TG) and Sex Workers (SW)

Key Population 2 includes:

Youth, refugees and migrants, women and girls, adolescents, tourism service providers, prisoners, orphans, vulnerable children and populations of humanitarian concerns.

3) For the Private Sector:

Any company or professional association registered under the Companies Act or Parliamentary Act, which has been in business in Sri Lanka for at least 3 years, with some involvement or interest in the health sector.

4) For the religious/faith-based organizations:

Any religious / spiritual organization registered under the NGO Secretariat Act, Companies Act or Parliamentary Act and which has been working in Sri Lanka for at least 3 years, with an involvement or interest in the health sector.

5) For Academia:

Any academic organization or institution registered under the NGO Secretariat Act, Companies Act or Parliamentary Act in Sri Lanka and active at least for last 3 years and directly involved in or has interest in health sector is eligible to be a candidate in this constituency.

6) People living with or affected by HIV/AIDS (PLWD)

Any organization of People Living with HIV/AIDS operating in Sri Lanka for at least 3 years is eligible to be a candidate in this constituency.

7) People living with or affected by TB (PLWD)

Any organization of People Living with TB, operating or engaging in TB awareness raising, prevention and community engagement in Sri Lanka for the last 3 years.

Organizations or persons interested to be elected or to participate in voting process are kindly requested to provide information in the relevant formats for an assessment of their eligibility. Applicants who applied for membership are eligible to be voters or to be elected as CCMSL members. Applicants who applied for voting are only eligible to be voters.

CCM Governance Manual, CCM Civil Society Member Selection Guideline, application for Expression of Interest – Candidate for Election of CCM Member and application for Expression of Interest – Voting at the CCM Election can be accessed at the following link:

https://ccmsl.lk/vacancy-advertisements/

Expression of interest must be sent by registered post to the CCM Secretariat on or before 22nd May 2025. Please indicate the category you apply in the top left-hand corner of the envelop. Expression of interest sent by other channels of communication may not be considered unless there is a submission through the post. Only the eligible and shortlisted applicants will be contacted.

For further information or for any clarifications please contact the CCMSL Secretariat as per contact details given below.

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