

## **SEA CONSTITUENCY**

Newsletter

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## **Updates on Board Matters**

## **Decision taken in August 2025**

**Electronic Board Decisions** 

No.	Title	Туре	SEA Decision
GF/B53/EDP09	Decision on the Secretariat's Recommendation on Funding from the 2023-2025 Allocation	No Objection	No Objection

Learn more about decisions https://www.theglobalfund.org/kb/board-decisions/

## **Global Fund News**

## Australia's Pledge to the Eighth Replenishment

The Global Fund warmly welcomes Australia's early pledge of AUD 266 million to the Eighth Replenishment. This commitment demonstrates Australia's leadership in ending AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as public health threats, while also strengthening health security in the Indo-Pacific.

Australia became the sixth donor to pledge early, joining Norway, Spain, Luxembourg, the Children's Investment Fund Foundation, and Takeda. These commitments signal growing momentum to defeat the world's deadliest infectious diseases.



Figure source.

Australia's renewed support reflects its long-standing role in global health, advancing equity, human rights and gender equality. With backing from partners like Australia, the Global Fund has saved 65 million lives and cut the combined death rate from the three diseases by 63% since 2002.

The South East Asia Board Member also welcomed Australia's pledge, noting its importance for the region's fight against HIV, TB and malaria.

#### Read more

## **Call to Constituency Members**

Board Member, Prof. Dante Harbuwono, and Alternate, Ms. Aishath Samiya, call on all Constituency Members to share updates on mobilization or engagement efforts with governments, private sector and philanthropies for the Eighth Replenishment.



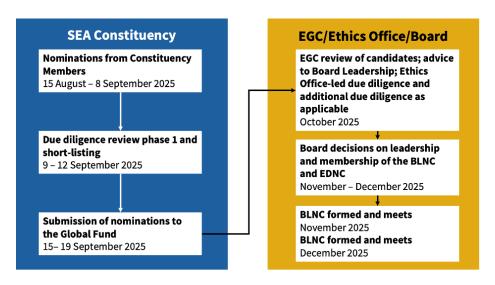
This is critical to demonstrate our Constituency's leadership and commitment to accelerate elimination of HIV, TB, and malaria.

Please let us know if your country is engaging decision-makers or partners to step forward with pledges, or if you need any support, by emailing Constituency Focal Point (<a href="mailto:anur@kemkes.go.id">anur@kemkes.go.id</a>)

## **SEA Constituency**

**Reminder: BLNC & EDNC Nominations** 

Constituency Members are kindly reminded to submit your country nomination(s) for the Board Leadership Nomination Committee (BLNC) and the Executive Director Nomination Committee (EDNC) by 8 September 2025.



Please send your submissions to <a href="mailto:anur@kemkes.go.id">anur@kemkes.go.id</a>.

For any support, kindly reach out to the Constituency Focal Point

## Country Story: IMPA, a Member Organization of the Country Coordinating Mechanism Sri Lanka, Inducts its President for 2025

The Independent Medical Practitioners Association (IMPA) of Sri Lanka, a member organization of the Country Coordinating Mechanism Sri Lanka (CCMSL), marked a historic milestone on 22 August 2025 by holding its first-ever ceremonial presidential induction in Colombo.

Dr. Sanath Hettige was inducted as President for 2025 in the presence of Dr. Anil Jasinghe, Secretary of Health and Mass Media and Chairman of CCMSL, who attended as Chief Guest. and Professor Mohan De Silva. Guest of Honour.



The event featured a welcome address by outgoing President Dr. A.H.A. Hazari, a keynote speech by Dr. Jasinghe, and Dr. Hettige's inaugural address. Twenty-five long-serving IMPA members were also honoured for their dedicated service, including Dr. Iyanthi Abeywickrama, Dr. Sarath Samarage, and Dr. Sujatha Samarakoon. Dr. Kanthi Ariyarathne, Joint Secretary, delivered the Vote of Thanks.

IMPA continues to represent the Private Sector category of the Civil Society Organizations constituency within CCMSL. In his new role as President of IMPA, Dr. Hettige will also serve as the Association's representative to CCMSL.

CCMSL congratulates him on this significant achievement.

#### What is the South East Asia (SEA) Constituency newsletter?

It is a monthly publication created to disseminate information from the Global Fund Board and Alternate Members of the SEA Constituency and the members.

### Who are the recipients of this newsletter?

Primary recipients are Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) Chairs and Coordinators. It is also available to the broader public, including health providers, NGO members, and other interested individuals.

### What will you find in the newsletter?

Updates on Global Fund Board-related matters, the latest Global Fund news, and country-specific initiatives for HIV, TB, and malaria.

# Can this newsletter feature my organization's stories, activities, or opportunities (e.g. conferences or workshops)?

Absolutely! Please send your stories related to HIV, TB, or malaria by the 25th of each month to <a href="mailto:seaconstituency@gmail.com">seaconstituency@gmail.com</a> to be published in the following month's edition.

### How can I or my colleagues get the newsletter?

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