

**REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS IN
HEALTH, KENYA.**

**FEEDBACK MEETING ON GLOBAL FUND HELD
VIRTUALLY ON 18TH FEBRUARY 2021**

I.1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report highlights sessions covered, and recommendations made during the Development Partners in Health (DPHK) Constituency feedback meeting held virtually on 18th February, 2021. Key issues discussed during the meeting include update on GF operations in Kenya, status update on Kenya's funding request application to the Global Fund. Updates on the ongoing Global Fund grant making/negotiation process. The Global Fund Principal Recipients in Kenya i.e. The National Treasury, AMREF Health Africa and KRCS shared updates on the implementation status and performance of Global Fund grants in Kenya.

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Acronyms

CHMT	County Health Management Team
CHU	Community Health Unit
CHV	Community Health Volunteer
COVID	Corona Virus Disease
DFID	Department for International Development
DPHK	Development Partners In Health, Kenya
DNMP	Division of National Malaria Program

GF	Global Fund
Funding RA	Funding Request Application
KCM	Kenya Coordinating Mechanism
KEMSA	Kenya Medical Supplies Authority
KRCS	Kenya Red Cross Society
MOH	Ministry of Health
NASCOP	National AIDS and STIs Control Program
NTLLP	National Tuberculosis, Leprosy and Lung Program
PR	Principal Recipient
SR	Sub Recipient
TNT	The National Treasury
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
WHO	World Health Organization

2.0 Introduction/Background

The Global Fund assesses CCMs through six eligibility requirements. Constituency engagement is a key eligibility requirement for CCMs. One of the strategic objectives of the KCM is to engage constituencies and share Global Fund information transparently, equitably and accurately. In addition, update the teams on progress in terms of Global Fund grant implementation and any other process therein.

To ensure inclusivity and participation at all stages of Global Fund grant management, KCM brings together eleven Constituencies: National and County Governments, Faith Based Organisations, development partners, Civil Society Organizations, private sector, **development partners**, communities, Key Populations, persons living with and affected by the diseases and adolescents and young persons.

The constituencies meet annually towards the third quarter. To meet this requirement, the KCM in collaboration with the Development Partners organized for the consultative meeting was held virtually on 18th February,2021

3.0 Purpose and Objectives

Purpose

Engage with KCM DPHK Constituency members and share information on GF Programming in Kenya.

Specific objectives

- Update DPHK on KCM Operations and status of Kenya's funding request application to the Global Fund including the ongoing Grant Making / negotiation process.
- Share updates on the performance of Global Fund Grants in Kenya including achievements and lessons learned.

Sessions Covered/Discussion

4.0 Introductions

The meeting started off with opening remarks by Dr. Medhin Tsehaiu who welcomed the members on call.

5.0 Meeting Objectives /CCM Eligibility requirements / KCM Updates

The KCM Coordinator took the members through the meeting objectives and CCM Eligibility requirements including Updates for the period. The presentation entailed

1. CCM Eligibility Transparent and inclusive FR development process.
2. Open and transparent PR selection process.
3. Oversight planning and implementation.
4. Processes for non-government CCM member selection.
5. CCM membership of affected communities.
6. Management of conflict of interest on CCMs /Code of Ethical Conduct

Specific Functions of the KCM

1. To coordinate, approval, endorsement and submission of Funding RA.
2. To select Principal Recipients through a transparent and documented process.
3. To oversee the implementation of activities under the Global Fund approved programmes, including approving major changes in the implementation plan.
4. To evaluate the performance of Global Fund grants and Principal Recipients including major changes to programme plans.
5. To ensure linkages between GF assistance and other assistance and programmes in line with national priorities/NSPs.
6. To ensure all relevant constituencies are involved in the decision-making process for the Global Fund grants

Role of Government: Define the legal and policy environment within which responses to the three diseases are developed. Manage a large share of the health infrastructure and work force. Provide support for an empowering environment, advocacy, oversight, and implementation, particularly with national ministries and disease-specific agencies. Health Sector coordination and improving aid effectiveness.

Timeline for Kenya grant-making and grant signing:

- **22nd January 2021-** Country submits applicant response forms and grant documents.
- **25 Jan – 5 February 2021-** GF / LFA review;

- **8 February – 5 March 2021**- Grant negotiations with country stakeholders through virtual meetings;
- **12 March 2021**- Country submits final grant documents and applicant response forms to CT;
- **24 March 2021**- Deadline for CT to submit documents for GAC meeting;
- **15 April 2021**- Grant Approval Committee (GAC) Meeting;
- **17 May 2021**- Estimated Board Approval; **June 2021**- Estimated Grant Signing ahead of 1 July 2021 start date.

6.0 Updates on Global Fund Grant Making Process /Grant Performance

The Grant making chair took the meeting through the Updates on ongoing GF Grant-making/negotiation process – Annexed find presentation /update on grant making process

7.0 Grant Performance status - Annexed find reports presented by The National Treasury, Amref Health Africa, and KRCS .

8.0 Key issues discussed

- Ensuring that there is no duplication of efforts between the GF support through KRC/Amref and support through PEPFAR.
- Coordinating and harmonizing health system strengthening activities with other initiatives like GFF, Gavi, and other DP-supported HSS work at county and national levels to avoid fragmentation, duplication of efforts, and critical gaps.
- GF support for HIV programming in the seven counties that PEPFAR is not currently supporting. This has been factored in some of the modules.
- Very low fund absorption especially with the TNT. Currently there are still huge balances however the team is prioritizing to have this settled before the end of the grant by fast tracking deliveries and payment.
- The team sought clarification on risk assessment since there are risks based on the presentations. The TNT indicated that risk assessment was done at the beginning of the grant and the team is currently working to improve fund absorption in order to reduce any loss to the Country.
- The team sought clarification on the allocation to non-state PR which had reduced significantly leading to implementation gaps. The grant negotiation chair

indicated that the process is still underway and final figures will be unveiled when the process is finalized.

S/No	Key issues Discussed	Recommendations/actions	Responsible Person/Entity	Timeline
1.	Harmonization and alignment of resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate health systems strengthening efforts using Health Sector Partnership coordination forums (ICCs/TWGs, HSISC, HSAOC). • Full rollout of MOH-led Resource Mapping & Expenditure Tracking tools to ensure that information on all current and planned investments is readily available to facilitate harmonization and alignment of resources. 	MOH, DPHK	2021/2022
3.	Huge funding gaps within the current grant	Identify and seek out innovative ways to bridge critical gaps.	TNT	June 30 th 2021
	Reduced allocation for HIV non-state PRs under the NFM 3 leading to huge implementation gaps for community interventions	The grant negotiation process still underway and resources to fill the gaps need to be identified.	Grant negotiation team	End of grant negotiation period

**KENYA COORDINATING MECHANISM FOR GLOBAL FUND
DPHK CONSTITUENCY MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ON
18TH FEBRUARY, 2021
PROGRAM**

KCM DPHK PROGRAM		
8.00 am – 8.15 am	Introductions/Opening Remarks	Chair- Dr. Medhin Tsehiau
8.20 am – 8.35 am	KCM Operations / status of Kenya's funding request application to the Global Fund.	Mr. Sam Muia
8.40 am- 8.55 am	Global Fund grant making/negotiation process	Grant Making Chair Dr. Peter Kimuu
9.00am- 9.15am	Amref HA/PR performance of Global Fund grants in Kenya including achievements / lessons learned.	Amref HA Dr. Bernard Langat
9.20am-9.25am	KRCS/PR performance of Global Fund grants in Kenya including achievements / lessons learned.	KRCS Ms. Emily Munga
9.30am- 10am	Plenary	All

List of Participants		
	Name	Organization
Co-Hosts		
1.	Medhin Tsehau	UNAIDS, KCM Member
2.	Pierre-Yves Bello	FRANCE, KCM Member
3.	Samuel Muia	KCM Secretariat
4.	Sandra Erickson	DPHK Secretariat (Zoom host)
DPHK partners		
5.	Samburu Washiko	BMGF
6.	Vincent Kutai	CANADA-GAC
7.	Justin Williams	CDC
8.	Marc Bulterys	CDC
9.	Paula Morgan	CDC
10.	Gerald Macharia	CHAI
11.	Samora Otieno	FCDO, KCM Alternate
12.	Joan Chumba	JAPAN, KCM Alternate
13.	Heather Smith	PEPFAR
14.	Maxwell Marx	PEPFAR
15.	Dan Koros	PEPFAR, co-opted to KCM-NOC
16.	John Bernon	USAID
17.	John Kuehnle	USAID
18.	Stanley Bii	USAID, KCM Member
19.	Mona Al-Mudhwahi	WHO
20.	Rudi Eggers	WHO, KCM Member

KCM PARTNERS		
21.	Peter Kimuu	National Treasury (PR presenter)
22.	Bernard Langat	AMREF (PR presenter)
23.	Emily Muga	KRCS (PR presenter)
24.	Meshack Ndirangu	AMREF
25.	Khatra Ali	COG
26.	Meboh Abuor	COG
27.	Kevin Ogollah	KCM Secretariat
28.	Bernhards Ogutu	KEMRI, KCM Member
29.	Annette Msabeni	KRCS
30.	Maureen Kamene	MOH Directorate Public Health
31.	Rebecca Kiptui	MOH-UHC Secretariat
32.	Elizabeth Onyango	Head TB Programme
33.	Eunice Fedha	COG
34.	Josephine Mwaura	KCM Secretariat
35.	Margaret Ndubi	UNAIDS