

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

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H.E. Dr Ieng Mouly Senior Minister, Chairman of National AIDS Authority CCC Chair Ministry of Health # 151-153 Kampuchea Krom Blvd Phnom Penh Cambodia

Your Excellency Dr Mouly,

This letter serves as formal notification from the Global Fund on the outcome of the review of the concept note submitted by Cambodia for the malaria program and to inform you of the issues highlighted by the Technical Review Panel (TRP) and the Global Fund Secretariat.

We are pleased to inform you that the Global Fund Secretariat has endorsed the recommendation of the TRP for your concept note to proceed to grant making. The TRP finds the concept note submitted to be technically sound and strategically focused. The TRP's recommendation, the requests for clarifications and the upper-ceiling funding amount for grant-making are set forth in the attached "Concept Note Review and Recommendation Form".

Responding to issues and clarifications

The Concept Note Review and Recommendation Form details out the issues identified and actions requested by the TRP and the Secretariat, which will need to be addressed and completed within the specified timelines. Your responses to the requested clarifications should be provided in the attached "Applicant Response Form".

Please send your response to the Fund Portfolio Manager (FPM) who will notify the Access to Funding Department of the Global Fund once all issues have been addressed and the disbursement-ready grant is prepared for presentation to the Global Fund Board (Board) for approval. If there are any clarifications that require further review or consideration by the TRP, please copy TRPSecretariat@theglobalfund.org in your response.

Preparing for grant-making

This communication serves as notification from the Global Fund to start the grant-making process. The purpose of grant making is to translate the concept note, based on the TRP and Secretariat recommendations, into disbursement-ready grants for Board approval that can be signed into grant agreements upon Board approval.

The aim is to complete grant-making within a three month period. Your FPM will work with you and the nominated Principal Recipient(s) (PR) to discuss the requirements and agree on a work plan for completing the grant-making process.

Below is an overview of the grant making inputs:

- Finalized capacity assessment of PR (and other key implementers as necessary) including risk mitigating measures
- Implementation arrangements map
- National M&E plan or grant-specific M&E plan
- Performance framework for each grant (modules and interventions, indicators and targets, work plan tracking measures)
- Detailed budget for each grant
- Audit arrangements approach
- Grant master data
- Completed negotiation of the related grant agreement

For more information about the grant-making process, please contact your FPM.

New Grant Agreement Structure

As part of the implementation of the new funding model, to achieve greater efficiencies and to reflect other policy changes, all Global Fund programs under the new funding model, including those for Cambodia, will be legally documented through a new legal agreement structure (the "New Grant Agreement Structure").

Under the New Grant Agreement Structure, for Global Fund programs to be implemented by a non-government PR (e.g., an international organization such as UNOPS) in a country, the Global Fund will sign a separate Framework Agreement with the head office of such non-government PR, so that a single Framework Agreement will govern all Global Fund programs to be implemented by such non-government PR in different countries. The Framework Agreement will incorporate a set of the Global Fund Grant Regulations, which are the standard legal terms and provisions applicable to all Global Fund programs (formerly, these were called the "Standard Terms and Conditions" or "STCs").

Under the Framework Agreement, once the funding proposal for a specific Global Fund program is approved by the Global Fund Board, a Grant Confirmation will be issued and signed. A standard Grant Confirmation will include the funding amount, implementation period and program description, budget, and performance framework (i.e., covering various items of the grant-making requirements listed above).

Board Decision on your grant

Please note that the Secretariat has recommended an upper-ceiling on funding for your concept note based on TRP recommendations, rather than a final budget amount, which may be adjusted during grant making.

Once the grant-making process is complete, the disbursement-ready grant will be shared with the Secretariat's Grant Approvals Committee (GAC) for final review. At the recommendation of the GAC, the grant will be presented to the Board to make the final funding decision. Presentation to the Board for approval shall be contingent upon factors such as: (i) satisfactory responses or actions to address and complete all the issues and clarifications identified by the TRP and/or the Global Fund Secretariat; (ii) the completion of the grant-making process; and (iii) Secretariat review of the quality and disbursement-readiness of the grant.

Final grant documents would need to be completed at least two weeks in advance of the monthly Grant Approvals Committee meeting.

We would like to congratulate you and thank you for your important efforts in the global fight against malaria.

Yours sincerely,

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