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Desk Review of the Principal Recipient India HIV/AIDS Alliance by the Oversight Committee for C-19 RM and KP Grants

Date: 25th March 2025 Time: 11:00- 12:00 Hrs Mode: Virtual Meeting

A virtual desk review of the Non-Government Principal Recipient, India HIV/AIDS Alliance, for the C-19 RM and KP Grants was held on 25th March 2025, chaired by Dr. Ravikumar, Chairman of the Oversight Committee (Schedule enclosed in **Annexure1**). The meeting was attended by members of the Oversight Committee (OC), the India CCM Secretariat, Program Division, and representatives from the Non-Government Principal Recipient (NGPR), India HIV/AIDS Alliance for the C-19 RM Grant, as per the attendance list enclosed in **Annexure 2**. The objective of the review was to assess the implementation of the C-19 RM and KP grants up to February 2025 and evaluate the performance of the Principal Recipient based on their Key Performance Indicators.

Welcome Remarks

Dr. Ravikumar, Chairman, Oversight Committee, extended a warm welcome to all Oversight Committee members, Program Division, and representatives from the Non-Government Principal Recipient, India HIV/AIDS Alliance, who attended the meeting.

Following the welcome remarks, India HIV/AIDS Alliance delivered a presentation, which was broadly based on the format shared by the India CCM Secretariat and can be found enclosed in **Annexure 3**.

Major Discussion/Action Points are as follows:

- 1. OC has noted with concern that the organization IHAA, in spite of previous requests, has not shared the Grant document /Framework causing difficulty in monitoring the performance against the set objectives, performance indicators and WTM.
- 2. Chair, Oversight Committee emphasized the importance of achieving social entitlement and protection schemes as a key output of the C19 RM program and recommended IHAA to meet the targets. It is noted that the achievement under the concerned KPI 1 is only about 64%. The performance against the CBOs strengthened on organizational development and leadership is also low with 62 % achievement under KPI 2.
- Regarding revised targets after extension of KP Grant, the Oversight Committee suggested drilling down to understand how the targets were calculated and understanding where maximum LOE would go. It was also recommended to consider the unmapped populations to help achieve the targets.

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- 4. The Oversight Committee inquired about the differences between the work and activities of SRs under KP grant and the C19 grant. IHAA informed that 30 SSRs have been distributed between SRs Usha and Ashodaya. ANSW provides oversight to these 2 SRs because of non-financial agreement with ANSW due to non-compliance to statutory requirements to be an SR.
- 5. Against the total budget approved of USD 2.57 million for the period Jun 23 to Sep 25, the utilized amount is about 1.3 million showing an expenditure of 52 %
- 6. IHAA informed that though they have been given approval for KP grant extension up till December 2025. However, they do not have enough grant to function till December 2025. Therefore, after discussion with SRs, activities have been planned till September 2025 and the targets have been revised accordingly.
- 7. IHAA informed that there were some savings from the C19 RM full funding grant from which IHAA had proposed that they will do CBO strengthening. However, The Global Fund responded that the savings cannot be used for CBO formation as that money is already factored in GC7 grant.
- 8. Focal Point GFATM, NACO remarked that in the file for approval regarding extension of KP Grant till December 2025 by the Health Secretary, all NG PRs have been clearly instructed to not add new CBOs during the extension period. Thus, NGPRs are requested to ensure that they don't add new CBOs. IHAA acknowledged the remark and clarified that no new CBOs have been added and only the targets have been revised.
- 9. Regarding the indicator "Number of CBOs strengthened", Dr. Pramod, Chief Executive, IHAA clarified that the indicator performance states that 18 out of 29 CBOs have been strengthened because the remaining CBOs did not meet the statutory requirements but IHAA is working with all 29 CBOs.
- 10. The Oversight Committee inquired if there is a transition planned for CBOs as a part of CBO strengthening and what is the sustainability plan for SBOs, specially for the ones which are fairly new. IHAA responded that the strengthening of CBOs activity is a part of KP grant and not C19 RM grant. They will come out with a plan for sustainability of CBOs before the grant ends.
- 11. The Oversight Committee noted a significant delay in the development of IEC materials by IHAA which was planned in the month of January and February 2025 as per the interim reports shared by them. The reason for delay was sought. IHAA informed that the IHAA is focused on the expertise of the consultants who are going to develop IEC materials and also IEC materials have been shared with SRs for their inputs and the IEC videos are being developed in different languages. Thus, the process is taking time.
- 12. Regarding "Sensitization on the Supreme court ruling on the Rights of Sex Workers" activity, the Oversight Committee enquired if there are any examples if the sensitization has helped Community members and the same to be documented in the report. IHAA

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informed that they are currently working on the evaluation of the grant to assess the impact and outcome of the grant and the document will be shared with the Oversight Committee once the assessment is complete.

- 13. Focal Point GFATM, NACO inquired IHAA regarding the reason for reducing the target for beneficiary services which was 16,163 initially but has now been reduced to 12,120. IHAA responded that the targets have been actually increased during the reprogramming to 39,000 by the Global Fund but after discussion with SRs IHAA has got back to the Global Fund stating that it would be difficult to achieve that target. IHAA in consultation with its SRs will come up with a realistic target which would make it 100 % achievable.
- 14. Focal Point GFATM, NACO inquired IHAA on a similar point regarding telehealth, for which the initial target for reaching out to people was 5,000 but has now been reduced to 3,460. Also, March 2025 has been mentioned as the cut off period for TeleHealth beyond which the activity is not continuing. The reason for non-continuance was sought. IHAA informed that in their proposal they have mentioned Tele Health as a full-fledged activity but in their approval document, the Global Fund has reduced the activity timeline till March 2025.
- 15. In the concluding remarks of the Oversight Committee, it was recommended that IHAA should document their achievements and ensure sustainability of CBOs so that they can be adapted and scaled up wherever useful to the National Program. Also, IHAA was recommended to ensure coordination with the NACO's mechanisms on the ground.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

The key actionable, responsibilities and timelines specific are summarized below:

S No.	Action Point	Timeline
1	Grant document of C19 RM and KP grant to be shared	7th May 2025
2	Submission of final consolidated report of the C19 RM including the final expenditure and performance under different KPIs as on March 25.	15 th May 2025
3	Provide a document on the sustainability plan for the CBOs formed under the KP grant before the grant ends.	15 th May 2025
4	Revised C19 RM Framework to be shared with the Oversight Committee	7 th May 2025
5	Performance in Quarterly progress reports to be submitted in cumulative format (from beginning of C19 to that present quarter) as well as quarter wise format, to the Oversight Committee.	Quarterly Submission of next Progress report by 15 th May 2025
6	The SOPs for conducting Trainings for SRs and SSRs and IEC materials to be shared with the respective States, Program Division and the Oversight Committee	7 th May 2025

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Annexure 1

Schedule of Virtual C19 RM and GC7 Grant Desk Review of PRs by the Oversight Committee

March 2025

Chaired by Chair and Co-Chair, Oversight Committee and facilitated by the India CCM Secretariat.

Date	Time	Description	Facilitator/Presenter	Chairperson	
		GC7 Presentation by TCI Foundation (Malaria)	TCI Foundation	Chair and Co- Chair, Oversight	
25/03/2025	11:00- 12:00	C19 RM Presentation by IHAA (HIV)	India HIV/AIDS Alliance	Committee	
25/03/2025	16:00- 17:00	C19 RM Presentation by SAATHII (HIV)	Solidarity and Action Against The HIV Infection in India		
28/03/2025	11:00- 12:00	C19 RM Presentation by PLAN India (HIV)	PLAN India	Crab Linear	
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01/04/2025	11:00- GC7 Presentation by PLAN India 12:00 PLAN India (HIV)		PLAN India		
01/04/2025	16:00- 17:00	GC7 Presentation by SAATHII (HIV)	Solidarity and Action Against The HIV Infection in India		
04/04/2025	11:00- 12:00	GC7 Presentation by HLFPPT (HIV)	Hindustan Latex Family Planning Promotion Trust		
04/04/2025	16:00- 16:30	GC7 Presentation by KHPT (TB)	Karnataka Health Promotion Trust		
04/04/2025	16:30- 17:00	GC7 Presentation by SAATHII (TB)	Solidarity and Action Against The HIV Infection in India		
08/04/2025	11:00- 11:30	GC7 Presentation by HLFPPT (TB)	Hindustan Latex Family Planning Promotion Trust		
08/04/2025	11:30- 12:00	C19 RM Presentation by WJCF (TB)	William J and Clinton Foundation		

Date	Time	Description	Facilitator/Presenter	Chairperson
08/04/2025	16:00- 16:30	C19 RM Presentation by The Union (TB)	International Union against Tuberculosis and Lung Diseases	
08/04/2025	16:30- 17:00	C19 RM Presentation by FIND India (TB)	Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics India	
11/04/2025	11:00- 11:30	C19 RM Presentation by CTD (TB)	Central TB Division	
11/04/2025	11:30- 12:00	Internal meeting and discussions of OC (9 th OC meeting)	All members of OC facilitated by ICCM secretariat	
TBD		PR Desk Review Debrief meeting	Chair/ Co chair Oversight Committee	JS (GFATM)

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List of Participants:

Annexure-2

S No.	Name	Designation	Organisation
1	Dr. U B Das	DDG	NACO
2	Dr. Ravikumar	Chairman	Oversight Committee
3	Ms.Nandini Kapoor	Member	
	Dhingra	STEEL ST	Oversight Committee
4	Dr. Amar Shah	Member	Oversight Committee
5	Mr.Pratik Raval	Member	Oversight Committee
6	Mr. Samir Kumar Sahu	Member	Oversight Committee
7	Ms. Deepika Joshi	Member	Oversight Committee
8	Dr. Benu Bhatia	Grants Manager	NPMU, NACO
9	Mr. BL Parihar	M&E Manager	NPMU, NACO
10	Mr. Pramod K	Chief Executive	IHAA
11		Programme Lead- Care and	
	Mr. Firoz Khan	Support	IHAA
12		Sr. Programme Manager-Key	
		Population and Social	
	Mr. Pavan Kumar Shetty	Protection	IHAA
13		Asst. Director Grants and	
	Mr. Kushal Pal	Finance	IHAA
14		Sr. Programme Officer- Key	
	Mr. Chin Khansiam	Population and Social	
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15	Dr. Shobini Rajan	CMO (SAG), NACO/ICCM	NACO/ICCM
		Focal Point	
16	Gitanjali Mohanty	Coordinator	ICCM
17	Sadaf Ahmad	Program Officer	ICCM
18	Chanderpal	Admin. Assistant	ICCM

