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Strategic Thematic Group (STG) Meeting



A Meeting on Governance and Stewardship presided over by Syed Monjurul Islam, Secretary, MOHFW

Eight Strategic Thematic Groups (STGs) and three sub groups were formed comprising representatives from GOB stakeholders, Development Partners, NGOs, CSOs and professional bodies for preparation of Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) of the 4th HNP Sector Program.

The STG thematic areas are : (i) Governance, Stewardship and Institutional Development of MOHFW; (ii) Sustainable Health Financing; (iii) Equitable access to Quality Package of HNP Service Delivery-sub areas (a) MNCH, FP, Nutrition and Food Safety (b) CDC, NCDC and AMC; (iv) Core Systems Development-sub areas (a) Procurement and Supply Chain Management (b) Financial Management (FM) and Audit and c) Infrastructure Development; (v) Human Resources for Health; (vi) Lifestyle and Environment; (vii) Building the Evidence Base for Decision-making; and (viii) Costing and Sector Coordination. The focus of the STGs was to identify challenges and recommendations in each thematic area for inclusion into the SIP of the 4th HNP Sector Program.



A Meeting on Costing and Sector Coordination presided over by Md. Helal Uddin, Joint Chief (Planning), MOHFW

Strategic Thematic Group Meeting



A Meeting on Building the Evidence Base for Decision- making presided over by Prof. Abul Kalam Azad, Additional Director General, DGHS.

An overall discussion meeting for review of issues for preparation of the SIP was held on 04 August, 2015 in the Conference Room of the MOHFW. Mr. Syed Monjurul Islam, Secretary, MOHFW presided over the meeting.

All STGs conducted at least three rounds of meeting and developed thematic area wise STG reports. All the reports were finalized and sent to the lead International Consultant (Dr. David Daniels) within 6th of September, 2015 for his use. The Officials from GOB and Development Partners attended the STG meetings and provided their valuable comments on the draft proposals prepared by different moderators/consultants.



A Meeting on Governance & Stewardship held in the Conference Room of MOHFW, presided over by Syed Monjurul Islam, Secretary, MOHFW

Meeting of the Local Consultative Group (LCG)-Working Group Health



LCG meeting held in the Conference Room of MOHFW

The 12th meeting of the LCG Working Group-Health was held on 01 September, 2015 in the Conference Room of MOHFW. Mr.Syed Monjurul Islam, Secretary, MOHFW and Co-Chairperson (GOB) presided over the meeting. Ms. Melissa Jones, Chairperson, DP Consortium also attended the meeting as Co-chair.

In the meeting, progress of Priority Action Plan (PAP) of MTR-2014 was presented and thematic area wise discussion took place. All concerned including the DP representatives participated in the discussion and mentioned their progress on particular areas. Progress of preparation work on next (4th) HNP Sector Program was discussed in the meeting. Joint Chief (Planning) highlighted last two months' progress on preparation of the SIP. It was found that progress of work was in line with the roadmap for preparation of the 4th HNP Sector Program.

GAVI-HSS New Funding Proposal was also discussed in the meeting. Joint Chief (Planning) mentioned the progress on GAVI-New Funding Proposal. After threadbare discussions, the LCG endorsed the GAVI-HSS new funding proposal for submission to the GAVI Headquarters as a stand-alone project for EVM and Surveillance Component with reprogramming of the current phase to be continued until December 2016.



A Meeting on LCG Working Group-Health presided over by Secretary,MOHFW and co-chaired by Ms. Melissa Jones, Director, OPHNE, USAID and Consortium Chair

Workshop on the draft SIP for preparation of 4th HNP Sector Program (2016-21)



Mr. Zahid Maleque, MP & Hon'ble State Minister is delivering his speech

The workshop in connection with the preparation of draft Report of Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) for 4th HNP Sector Program (2016-21) was held on 13 September, 2015 at the CIRDAP International Conference Centre, Chameli House, Dhaka. Mr. Zahid Maleque, MP, Hon'ble State Minister, MOHFW attended the workshop as the chief guest. Mr. Syed Monjurul Islam, Secretary, MOHFW presided over the event.

The workshop was attended by the STG members and others i.e., Officers of MOHFW, Development Partners, NGOs, CSOs and professional bodies. It was a day-long workshop divided into three sessions. There was also group work in the areas of improving HNP services and strengthening health systems.

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Dr. David Daniels is presenting the draft SIP in the Workshop



Participants from GOB and DPs are attending the SIP Workshop

In the workshop, contents of the draft Report on SIP were presented by International Consultant, Dr. David Daniels. The participants attended group work and presented findings on challenges and recommendations of thematic group report on SIP by diving into two groups, e.g., Health System Strengthening and Health Service Delivery. Two pertinent issues, ESP Service package and HR Strategy and Action Plan were also presented by the Local Consultants in a separate session. Ms. Melissa Jones, Director, OPHNE, USAID and Consortium Chair presented a way forward of 4th HNP Sector Program (2016-21) in the workshop.



A group work on Health Service Delivery held in the Workshop

Mr. Syed Monjurul Islam, Secretary, MOHFW in his final speech highlighted some issues of importance as well, and mentioned that the experts involved in preparation of the SIP should give due consideration to all those issues discussed in the workshop. The workshop finally ended with vote of thanks along with refreshment and tea.

Meeting of Results Framework Working Group



Meeting on Draft RFW Indicators presided over by Joint Chief (Planning), MOHFW

The 2nd meeting of Results Framework (RFW) Working Group for developing RFW indicators for the next Sector Program was held on 14 September 2015 in the conference room of PMMU, Azimpur, Dhaka. Mr. Md. Helal Uddin, Joint Chief (Planning) MOHFW presided over the meeting.

A power point presentation on development of RFW indicators was made by Mr. Karar Zunaid Ahsan, Advisor (M&E) of PMMU. The Advisor also produced and presented a mapping exercise of global and national indicators in the meeting.



Draft RFW Indicators presented by Karar Zunaid Ahsan, M&E Adviser, PMMU

It was decided in the meeting that the draft set of RFW indicators will be prepared by the middle of October, 2015 and a zero draft of RFW will be placed for wider stakeholder consultation through a workshop to be held in the last week of October, 2015.

New Entrant to PMMU

Ms. Mareum Begum, Assistant Chief was transferred from the Planning Wing of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare to the Program Management and Monitoring Unit (PMMU) on 24 August 2015. She replaced Ms. Kamrun Nahar Sumi, Assistant Chief who was transferred to the Planning Wing of MOHFW.

Ms. Mareum belongs to the 29th batch of BCS (Economic Cadre). She is looking after the tasks used to be done by Ms. Sumi. She also assisted in the preparation of the current issue of PMMU's Newsletter.

Newly Appointed National Consultants

PMMU of MOHFW extends warm welcome to the following SIP Consultants who joined the Planning Wing during the month of July-August 2015 for developing Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) for the next HNP Sector Program:

Prof. Shah Munir Hossain and Prof. M. A Faiz, who were former Directors General of DGHS, Dr. A. Mannan Bangali, retired WHO Professional Staff, Dr. Md. Shah Nawaz, Former Additional Director General (Admin) of DGHS, Dr. Rumana Huque, Professor of Dhaka University and Dr. Bishnupada Dhar, who also retired as the Deputy Director of DGFP.

Prof. Shah Monir Hossain, Dr. A. Mannan Bangali and Dr. Md. Shah Nawaz along with Dr. Bishnupada Dhar are working in the areas of developing an Essential Service Package (ESP) in each tier of health and family planning service delivery. Prof. M. A. Faiz and Dr. Md. Shah Nawaz are working in the area of Non-communicable Diseases (NCD) development. Prof. Rumana is working on Sustainable Health Financing, Costing and Sector Coordination. She is also assisting the International Consultant on SIP development.