

Stop TB Partnership's work with Global Fund An update

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Stop TB work with Global Fund since last Board meeting (March 2023)

- Country support
 - Grant Cycle 7 (GC7) funding request (20 countries)
 - NSP development (6 countries)
 - Program reviews (11 countries)
 - CRG support
 - Support for other specific thematic areas
- TB Situation Room
- Grant Approval Committee (several country grants for TB and C19RM, 16 meetings of GAC)
- GC6 Strategic Initiative concluding work
- Global Fund Board





Global Fund Grant Cycle 7 (GC7)

Global Fund Grant Cycle 7 Figures in US\$ billions



- More ambitious country funding requests than ever before
- Large unfunded quality demand (UQD)
 - US\$1.2 billion
- Opportunities
 - C19RM
 - Savings / portfolio optimization
 - Increased domestic budgets
 - Innovative financing





Gap in country national TB responses is bigger than UQD



At least UQD can be prioritized for funding, but funding gap is much bigger



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Loan Buy Downs

Successful World Bank Loan Buy Downs by Global Fund for TB

- India 400 million World Bank loan
 - 2019 to 2024
- Indonesia 300 million World Bank Loan
 - 2023 to 2027

Can be done in more countries

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Universal access to Rapid Molecular Tests

WHO Standard Benchmarks and Global Fund 'Program Essentials' have recommended universal access to rapid molecular diagnostics



- Global Fund TB Program Essentials
 - "1.2 Multiyear plan to achieve universal use of rapid molecular assays as the **initial test to diagnose TB for all people with presumptive**"
- WHO standard: Universal access to rapid TB diagnostics. Benchmarks:
 - "3. In all facilities in all districts, the TB diagnostic algorithm requires the use of a WRD as the initial diagnostic test for all individuals with presumed TB, ..."
 - "4. All primary health-care facilities have access to WRDs (on site or through sample referral)."
 - "5. All individuals with TB have access to a WRD as the initial diagnostic test."
 - "6. WRD testing capacity meets expected needs, including surge capacity, according to the latest data."





Universal access to Rapid Molecular Tests

Problem:

In 2022 only 47% of people diagnosed with TB received a rapid molecular test

<u>Reason</u>:

- Insufficient TB budget allocations limiting the deployment of molecular diagnostic instruments and forcing programs to adopt restrictive algorithms
- Unfunded demand for GeneXpert products of approximately 111 million USD and 213 million USD in Global Fund Grant Cycles 6 and 7, respectively

Opportunity:

- 20% price drop in Xpert and Truenat test prices
 - Xpert MTB/RIF Ultra from \$9.98 to \$7.97; Truenat from \$9.00 to \$7.90
- Better maintenance agreements as a result of the Global Fund/Stop TB/USAID negotiations in 2023
- More ambitious country plans
- C19RM funding

Number of Rapid Molecular Tests done is too small compared to need







Global Fund Investment Case for 8th Replenishment (allocation period 2026-2028)



- Investment case needs to be aligned with the UNHLM targets and commitments and Global Plan to End TB 2023-2028
- Resource needs for TB will be higher than previous investment case



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Global Fund allocations to 3 diseases: methodology is under review



- Global Fund allocation to TB is low (18-19%)
- Equitable and fair allocation needed considering
 - TB kills more people than HIV and Malaria put together
- There is opportunity now
 - Independent assessment of Allocation Methodology and Process underway
 - By Ernest & Young (EY)
 - Change (if any) will apply to next allocation period
- Secretariat requests the support of Stop TB Board constituencies





Thank you

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