



MINISTRY OF HEALTH



CELEBRATING GLOBAL FUND ACHIEVEMENTS IN UGANDA

GOVERNMENT RECEIVES NEW USD 478M GRANT TO HELP SUSTAIN THE GAINS ACHIEVED IN THE FIGHT AGAINST HIV, TB AND MALARIA.



The Global Fund supports procurement of anti-malaria medicines and diagnostics (Rapid Diagnostic Kits for Malaria)



The Universal Coverage Campaign for Long Lasting Insecticide-treated Nets is one of the interventions supported by the Global Fund, to reduce mortality and morbidity due to Malaria.

of Malaria prevalence from over 40% to 17% as seen in the 2014 Malaria Indicator Survey.

Additionally, Global Fund has heavily contributed funds to the second LLIN Universal coverage campaign currently being conducted. In this campaign, a total of 24 million nets will be distributed of which 22.3 million nets have already been distributed in the northern, eastern, parts of central and western Uganda. The Global Fund has additionally contributed LLIN through the routine distribution in antenatal and EPI clinics. As a result, at least 64.1% of pregnant women in Uganda sleep under an insecticide-treated net.

The Global fund supports the procurement and distribution of anti-malaria medicines, diagnostics (rapid diagnostic kits for malaria) and over 50% of the budget is spent on these. This has improved on both testing and treatment and indicated by the reduced stock rates of 9% by end of 2016 and at the same time, the proportion of confirmed malaria cases that received first-line antimalarial treatment at public sector health facilities was 92%.



Minister of Health, Hon. Dr. Jane Ruth Aceng gives out a mosquito net to one of the beneficiaries during the launch of the LLIN Campaign in Apac District in February 2017.

Integrated Case Management of Malaria

The country introduced malaria treatment in the community and in the 29 Districts out of the 71 Districts where this is already done, 26 the medicines for treatment of malaria and the malaria attest kits are provided by the Global Fund. Village Health Teams that are doing the work were trained with funding from the Global Fund.

What Next - With support from the Global Fund, the National Malaria Control Program plans to undertake mass treatment against Malaria where focus will be based on households, individuals and leaders.

4 Health Systems Strengthening

The Global Fund has invested USD 32million towards Health Systems Strengthening in the country. Under this component, the Global Fund is supporting the construction of the new National Medical Stores warehouse in Kajansi. The Global Fund has committed USD7.6m, out of the USD 20m needed to complete this project. In addition the Global Fund supported the establishment of 12 Regional Performance Monitoring Teams, responsible for monitoring key sector performance monitoring indicators. Other areas supported include: procurement of 83 motorcycles and refrigerators for Laboratory Hubs, Installation of shelves for warehousing condoms, Procurement of safe delivery equipment and installation of solar panels in 150 Health Center IIs.

The Role of Uganda Country Coordinating Mechanism for the Global Fund (UCCM)

The Uganda Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) for the Global Fund applied for the new grants on behalf of the country. In April 2017, the Uganda CCM submitted funding requests to the Global Fund for additional funding to support Uganda's fight against HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria in the implementation period 1st January 2018 to 31st December 2020. The mobilization of financial resources from the Global Fund is one of the core functions of the CCM. The process of applying for the new funds began in January 2017 with the leadership of the CCM Board and technical support of the CCM Secretariat Team. The highly participatory and consultative funding proposal writing process involved the Lead Technical Experts for the different components, Technical Teams from Ministry of Health, TASO, Uganda AIDS Commission, the Ministry of Finance, Planning & Economic Development, Ministry of Gender, Labour & Social Development, Ministry of Education &



Prime Minister of Uganda, Rt. Hon. Dr. Ruhakana Rugunda inspects a TB laboratory

Sports, Civil Society Organizations, Academic Institutions, Key Affected Populations, and People living with & affected by the three diseases (HIV, TB and Malaria). Other stakeholders that participated in the writing of Uganda's funding applications to the Global Fund included the Private Sector, Technical Partners, and Development Partners funding agencies in the three disease areas. The writing processes were technically and financially supported by the Government of Uganda, PEPFAR, Irish Aid, UNAIDS, UNICEF, UNFPA, UN Women, the World Health Organization, CDC Uganda, CHAI, USAID, PMI and DfID.

resembled appropriately to the country context and addressed the key programmatic challenges and country needs regarding the fight against the three diseases (HIV, TB and Malaria).

Subsequently, the Global Fund approved funds for five (5) grants worth US\$ 468,643,197 in October 2017. The Global Fund Technical Review Panel (TRP) also technically approved US\$ 314,944,762 as Prioritized Above Allocation Request (PAAR) Funds to be accessed upon excellent performance by the Grant implementers and availability of any additional funds. Uganda's new Global Fund grants will be managed and implemented by two Principal Recipients (PRs) namely: the Ministry of Finance, Planning & Economic Development (MoFPED) with technical support from the Ministry of Health (MoH) and The AIDS Support Organization (TASO). The 5 new Global Fund grants approved for Uganda are listed here below:

1. MoFPED HIV Grant: USD \$245,570,664
2. MoFPED TB Grant: USD \$18,445,026
3. MoFPED Malaria Grant: USD \$171,724,213
4. TASO TB/HIV Grant: USD \$14,347,607
5. TASO Malaria Grant: USD \$14,969,534

NEW GRANTS

Uganda has made considerable progress in her response against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis (TB), Malaria and building resilient and sustainable health systems (RSSH). Uganda went through an extensive consultative process embraced by all actors involved in the response towards HIV, TB and Malaria. To prepare grant applications for the three diseases of concern. The process of application for the three diseases. The actors include: founders, programmers, implementers and evaluators all of which work together to ensure services reach the intended beneficiaries, review, grant negotiation and approval was both iterative and interactive.

The process was informed by our national programs in the respective disease areas as well as national strategic planning that formed the benchmark for a robust gap analysis. These grants will be a big part of the resources needed to attain our national targets and future resource planning, mobilization and management.

Following grant making and submission, the Global Fund Board has approved US\$ 478 million including catalytic funding and emergency funds for refugees for the implementation period of 2018-2020. Therefore its against this back ground that Uganda is once again launching the new grants that will be signed today at a grand ceremony at Hotel Africana.



Motorcycles procured with funding from Global Fund to support transportation of laboratory samples from lower Health Facilities to Main Hubs

The CCM ensured that the priority interventions included in Uganda's funding proposals were aligned and harmonized with other in-country financing mechanisms (domestic and donor financial resources) and health sector & development programs. The CCM also ensured that the priority interventions proposed in the funding applications were aligned to the priorities in the three diseases (HIV, TB and Malaria) National Strategic Plans.

The writing process culminated in two quality funding proposals - one joint TB/HIV and one Malaria funding request/application, which the CCM submitted to the Global Fund in April 2017. Upon evaluation by the Global Fund Technical Review Panel (TRP), the funding proposals were found to be technically sound. The CCM commends the writing teams for their commitment, dedication and input during the protracted funding application writing process.

It is because of their expertise, dedication and commitment that the CCM was able to submit technically sound funding applications that