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Dr Pushpa Chaudary  
Health Secretary and CCM Chair  
Ministry of Health and Population  
Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal

**Subject:** Funding for approved UQD activities under NPL-T-SCF grant (the “Grant”)

Dear Dr Pushpa Chaudary

We are contacting you regarding the Global Fund Grant Approvals Committee’s (GAC) recent review of the activities listed in the table below, which are on the Global Fund’s Register for Unfunded Quality Demand, based on the prioritized above allocation request reviewed and recommended by the Technical Review Panel (TRP):

Country	Component	Module	Intervention	Amount
Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal	Tuberculosis	TB care and prevention	Expansion of active case finding (ACF) with replacement of smear microscopy with GeneXpert	US\$ 853,787
		Multidrug-resistant TB	Additional support for 600 DR-TB patients	US\$ 1,200,000

The GAC agreed that these interventions have a high potential for increased measurable impact in the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal’s Tuberculosis program and should be included under the current Grant. In order to maximize use of the existing Grant budget, accelerate initiation of critical activities and improve absorption of the Grant, the Principal Recipient for the Grant is requested to: (a) commence implementation of priority activities under these interventions as soon as possible; and (b) identify, where possible, Grant savings/efficiencies to implement the aforementioned interventions.

In September 2019, the Global Fund will assess Grant implementation and needs at that time to determine whether additional funds are required for use during the remainder of the Implementation Period. If the assessment indicates the need for additional funds, additional funds may be added to the current Grant. The integration of any such additional funds will be subject to regular grant revision processes, final GAC review and recommendation and Global Fund Board approval.

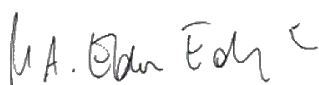
We note that the GAC has recommended this award, up to the amount specified in the table above, considering the high potential for increased measurable impact of the prioritized costed needs for your country's program. This recommendation is also in line with the aims of the allocation methodology approved by the Global Fund Board<sup>1</sup> and the prioritization framework approved by the Global Fund Strategy Committee.

If additional funding is awarded, this would be a one-time investment additional to your country's 2017-2019 allocation, which may not be taken into consideration in the determination of any future funding for your country. The Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal will ultimately be responsible for ensuring the overall sustainability of the program, including any prioritized interventions covered by any such additional investment. The CCM is therefore encouraged to engage with relevant stakeholders now to discuss the sustainability of these interventions and the overall program in the 2020-2022 allocation period.

All allocations for the 2020-2022 allocation period will be subject to the availability of funding and will be determined in accordance with the allocation methodology approved by the Global Fund Board; therefore, there is no guarantee that any such additional investment will be sustained in the next allocation.

Allow me to sincerely congratulate your country for the important progress made in the fight against AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria.

Yours sincerely



Jul 25, 2019

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<sup>1</sup> The Global Fund's allocation methodology distributes funding in line with disease burden and economic capacity.