

## Decision Letter

### Bangladesh Health Systems Strengthening Programme

This Decision Letter forms part of the PFA and together with the PFA sets out the Programme Terms of the Programme. Any term used in this Decision Letter but not defined shall have the meaning given to such term in the PFA.

<p><b>1. Country:</b> Bangladesh</p>
<p><b>2. Programme payment grant number:</b> 1922-BGD-10a-Y (HSS3); 1618-BGD-10a-Y (HSS2); 0914-BGD-10a-Y (HSS1); 0910-BGD-10a-Y (HSS1)</p> <p><b>Performance payment grant number:</b> 17-BGD-10e-Y (PBF1); 19-BGD-10e-Y (PBF2)</p>
<p><b>3. Date of Decision Letter:</b> 20 September 2019 (Replaces previous Decision Letter dated 29 May 2019)</p>
<p><b>4. Date of the Partnership Framework Agreement (the “PFA”):</b> 24 June 2013</p>
<p><b>5. Programme: Health Systems Strengthening (HSS)</b></p> <p>For further information about the Programme please refer to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gavi HSS guidelines and HSS application form available by contacting your Gavi country manager;</li> <li>• Bangladesh’s approved grant proposal together with any responses to the HSS independent review process request for clarifications;</li> <li>• The workplan and budget document circulated by email describing the expected Programme Activities and Programme Budget as at the Date of the Decision Letter.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6. Gavi performance based funding</b></p> <p>The Programme shall be subject to Gavi’s performance-based funding (PBF). Under this, the HSS support will be split into two payments: the programmed payment (based on implementation of the Programme) and the performance payment (based on improvements in immunisation outcomes).</p> <p>Bangladesh will have the opportunity to receive payments beyond the programme budget amount, for exceptional performance. Such performance payments will be based on performance on immunisation outcome indicators.</p> <p><u>Performance payments for a given year will be made the following year, based on performance of the indicators listed and data verification.</u></p> <p><b>Gavi calculation of performance payments for immunisation achievements – TOTALS:</b></p> <p>Given that Bangladesh’s DTP3 coverage was <b>at or above 90%</b> at baseline, which is defined as the year prior to the first year of HSS grant implementation, and based on WHO/UNICEF estimates, Bangladesh will be rewarded for sustaining high coverage with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10% of annual country ceiling for maintaining DTP3 coverage at or above 90% and</li> <li>• 10% of annual country ceiling ensuring that 90% of districts have at or above 80% DTP3 coverage.</li> </ul>

Countries with DTP3 coverage >= 90% at baseline					TOTAL Performance payment to the country (US\$)
Reported DTP3 coverage (WUENIC) at baseline	Eligibility for DTP3 performance payment	Amount of DTP3 performance payment (US\$)	Eligibility for geographic equity performance payment	Amount of geographic equity performance payment (US\$)	
97% (2015)	Eligible	2,000,000	Eligible	2,000,000	4,000,000

Should Bangladesh wish to request the full details of the calculation method leading to the TOTAL amount of the performance payment, please contact your Gavi senior country manager, Sam Muller, at [smuller@gavi.org](mailto:smuller@gavi.org).

**7. Programme Duration:** 2009-2022

**8. Programme Budget:** This is the amount of an estimated multi-year budget endorsed by Gavi under the Programme.

Note that with PBF, annual disbursements may be more or less than these endorsed amounts after the first year.

Programme Year	2009-2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Programme Budget – HSS1 (US\$)	13,671,500					13,671,500
Programme Budget – HSS2 (US\$)	33,922,731					33,922,731
Programme Budget – HSS3 Multi Donor Trust Fund (US\$)	-	14,286,000	14,286,000	14,286,000	7,142,000	50,000,000
HSS additional funds for refugees – FDMN2 (US\$)	-	1,104,751	1,138,765	1,179,414		3,422,930
Performance payments (US\$)	4,000,000	4,000,000				8,000,000

**9. Annual Amounts:** This is the estimated annual amount Gavi has approved to be disbursed under the Programme. Bangladesh acknowledges that:

(a) a proportion of the Annual Amount may be disbursed directly to an agreed implementing agency, such as WHO and UNICEF, rather than to the Government; and

(b) each Annual Amount may be disbursed in a number of tranches at quarterly or six-monthly intervals.

Programme year	2009-2018	2019	2020
Programme Budget – HSS1 (US\$)	13,671,500		
Programme Budget – HSS2 (US\$)	33,922,731		
Annual Amount (US\$) HSS3 Multi Donor Trust Fund	-	14,286,000	14,286,000
HSS additional funds for refugees – FDMN2 (US\$)	-	1,104,751	1,138,765
Performance payments (US\$)	4,000,000	4,000,000	

**10. Outstanding comments/clarifications:** Bangladesh shall provide the following clarifications to Gavi<sup>1</sup>:

- Clarifications from the Independent Review Committee not applicable for Multi Donor Trust Fund contribution
- Clarifications from the Independent Review Committee not applicable for the FDMN2 (refugee support) contribution
- This Decision Letter will be updated to include additional HSS3 funds upon resolution of the clarifications from the Independent Review Committee and CEO approval

**11. Documents to be delivered:**

- Fully signed Grant Agreement between Gavi and WHO for the HSS2 and PBF approved amounts
- Fully signed Grant Agreement between Gavi and UNICEF for the HSS2 and PBF approved amounts

<sup>1</sup> Failure to provide the comments/clarifications requested may result in Gavi withholding further disbursements

**12. Other conditions: The following terms and conditions shall apply to the Programme.**

Please see the Grant Management Requirements set out in the new Annex 6 to the PFA,

Any requested adjustments to the Annual Amounts will be subject to Gavi approval. It is essential that Country's Health Sector Coordination Committee (or its equivalent) be involved with this process both in its technical process function and its support during implementation and monitoring of the Programme. Utilisation of Gavi support stated in this letter will be subject to performance monitoring.

If the bank account information most recently provided to Gavi has changed or changes prior to disbursement, the country will need to complete a bank account information form. Please contact [gavihss@gavi.org](mailto:gavihss@gavi.org) for the form.

Signed by,



**On behalf of Gavi**

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