

Decision Letter - Gambia

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.

1. Country: Gambia

2. Programme payment grant number: 1721-GMB-10a-Y
Performance payment grant number: N/A

- 3. Date of Decision Letter: 7 April 2017
- 4. Date of the Partnership Framework Agreement (the "PFA"): 03 February 2013
- 5. Programme: Health Systems Strengthening (HSS)

For further information about the Programme please refer to:

- Gavi HSS guidelines and HSS application form available by contacting your Gavi country manager;
- Country's approved grant proposal together with any responses to the HSS independent review committee (IRC's) request for clarifications;
- The workplan and budget document communicated to you by email on 16 December 2016 and confirmed on 25 January 2017 describing the expected Programme Activities and Programme Budget as at the Date of the Decision Letter.

6. Gavi performance based funding

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). This means that in the first year, Country will receive 100% of the year one annual amount, as an upfront payment. After year one, countries will receive 80% of the annual amount, based on implementation of the grant. Note that countries whose total grant budget would fall below US\$3 million are exempt from this 80% rule.

Country 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. For any given year, the programmed payment and performance payment may total up to 150% of the country's year one annual amount (upfront investment).

Performance payments for a given year will be made the following year, based on performance of the indicators listed and data verification.

Given that Country's DTP3 coverage was **at or above 90%** at baseline, which is defined as the year prior to the first year of HSS grant implementation, and based on WHO/UNICEF estimates, Country will be rewarded for sustaining high coverage with:

- 20% of annual country ceiling for maintaining DTP3 coverage at or above 90% and
- 20% of annual country ceiling ensuring that 90% of districts have at or above 80% DTP3 coverage.

Given that Country's DTP3 coverage was **below 90% at baseline**, which is defined as the year prior to the first year of HSS grant implementation, and based on WHO/UNICEF estimates, Country will be rewarded for improving coverage with:

- \$30 per additional child immunised with DTP3, if DTP3 coverage increases and
- \$30 per additional child immunised with first dose of measles containing vaccine, if measles coverage increases.
- 7. Programme Duration: 2017-2021
- **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	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Total
Programme	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$	US\$
Budget (US\$)	1,574,306	927,179	950,600	574,649	690,292	4,717,026

- **9.** Annual Amounts: This is the estimated annual amount Gavi has approved to be disbursed under the Programme. The Country acknowledges that:
 - (a) The Annual Amount will be disbursed directly to UNICEF as agreed with the Country.

Programme year	2017
Annual Amount (\$US)	US\$1,574,306

- 10. Outstanding comments/clarifications: Not applicable
- 11. Documents to be delivered: Not applicable
- 12. Other conditions: The following terms and conditions shall apply to the Programme.

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.

Signed by,

On behalf of Gavi

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