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Subject: Economic Relations Division of Bangladesh Signs Three Grant Agreements Totaling USD 80.68 Million with The Global Fund for Tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, and Malaria Programs Dhaka, Bangladesh

The Economic Relations Division (ERD) of the Ministry of Finance, Bangladesh, proudly announces the signing of three significant grant agreements with the Global Fund. These agreements, which amount to a total of USD 80.68 Million, are a substantial step towards bolstering the national efforts in controlling Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV/AIDS, and in the elimination of Malaria in Bangladesh.

These vital health programs, aimed at combating these diseases, are set to be implemented by the Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS) as implementer over the 2024-2026 period. The signing ceremony was conducted by Md. Shahriar Kader Siddiky, Secretary of the Economic Relations Division, and was attended by Mr. Md. Jahangir Alam, Secretary, Health Services Division, along with other key officials from the UN Wing ERD.

National and Global Goals:

Aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Bangladesh's objective is to effectively combat TB, HIV, and Malaria and to achieve elimination of these diseases by 2035 (TB) and 2030 (HIV & Malaria). The focus is on strengthening the Health System to provide sustainable treatment and care support for TB, Malaria, and HIV within the existing government health framework, especially post-transition from the Global Fund (GF) Grants support. The Bangladesh Country Coordinating Mechanism (BCCM) led by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare having members from the Government, non-government and CSOs oversees the implementation of the fund. Bangladesh assumes higher portfolio in receiving the fund among 135 countries.

The Global Fund's Role in Bangladesh:

The Global Fund, a pivotal international organization and biggest multilateral fund focused on health issues, plays an instrumental role in the global fight against Tuberculosis, Malaria, and HIV/AIDS. The agency has been a consistent supporter of Bangladesh's national programs, contributing significantly to the Tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS control initiatives since 2003 and the national Malaria elimination program since 2007. This is noteworthy that the project has got the biggest grant fund in Bangladesh.



Grant Agreement Signing at Economic Relations Division

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