

India

Preparation for GC8 application to the Global Fund

Overview of steps, processes and timelines

27 March 2026

Agenda

1. CT presentation

- Allocation letter overview
- Funding request – required and optional parameters, review criteria
- Preparing for submission – key steps, available support, timelines
- Malaria program – way forward to support transition from GF funding

2. Discussion

- Alignment on process for **identifying priority funding areas and implementing entities (PRs)**
- **Views on approach, timelines, and immediate next steps** for developing the funding request
- How **Country Team can best support** the GC8 preparation process

Allocation Letter overview

Allocation amount and program split

Disease component	GC8 Allocation	Transition timeline
Tuberculosis	US\$ 200,000,000	Final allocation: GC9
HIV	US\$ 100,000,000	Final allocation: GC8
Malaria	US\$ 0 – not eligible	Final allocation: GC7
Total	US\$ 300,000,000	

Split of funding between disease components may be revised

- The decision-making process should be inclusive, justified*, and documented.
- Global Fund approval of program split revision is mandatory.
- When confirming/revising program split, indicate RSSH investment within each disease allocation.

Program split revision only possible between eligible disease components (TB and HIV), not malaria.

- CT-Malaria program to work together on effective transition and responsible closure of malaria grants.

*Any revision should be based on analysis of funding needed to maintain essential programming.

Allocation Letter overview

Aims of the allocation

Integration

- Closer **HIV/TB integration** at planning and implementation levels
- Integration of HIV/TB services **with primary health care and relevant disease services**
- **Strengthen systems integration**



Examples: Alignment with nutrition support, diabetes and hypertension screening, respiratory disease, ANC, mental health services

Prioritization of investments

- Allocation reduction requires rigorous **programmatic and geographic prioritization**



Examples: High-burden and/or underperforming areas, populations at highest risk

Innovations

- **Scale up innovations** to strengthen care cascades.



Examples: New preventive and diagnostic tools GOI would consider integrating into routine services.

Streamline implementation arrangements

- **Limited number of grants and PRs – max 2 GOV and 2 NGO grants (TB/HIV)**
- **PFR continuity** under government grants – model may be refined and strengthened
- PR selection to **prioritize proven capacity for managing large grants** (GC6/7 + C19RM experience)
- Consideration to **community-based and community-led service delivery**

Transition

- Investment priorities should reflect **full transition to domestic funding** by end of GC9.

Funding request*

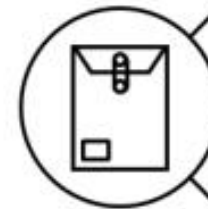
Required and optional parameters

Requirements:

- Prepare funding requests through an **inclusive Country Dialogue**.
- Ensure **alignment to national strategies and harmonization with other sources of funding**.
- Submit a **single funding request** for all eligible components and RSSH, in the same TRP Review Window.
- Submit **Tailored for Transition (HI/Core) funding request** type – includes a Transition Workplan.



Eligibility Requirements still need to be met



ER 1 : Transparent and inclusive funding request development process



ER 2 : Transparent and documented Principal Recipient (PR) selection process

Funding request

Tailored for transition application form (High impact/core countries)



Form and Instructions **70% shorter** in GC8 than in GC7

Three Sections of the Form:

Funding Request and Rationale

Domestic Financing, Co-financing
and Transition

Implementation

Summary Information	
Country(x)	Country or countries submitting the Funding Request.
Component(s)	Component(s) included in this Funding Request.
Transition Timeline(s)	Anticipated transition timelines for each component included in this Funding Request (as applicable).
Planned grant start date(s)	Projected start date for the grant(s).
Planned grant end date(s)	Projected end date for the grant(s).
Principal Recipient(s)	The entity or entities nominated by the Applicant to implement the program(s).
Currency	Indicate the currency of the Funding Request as per the Allocation Letter.
Area(s) of focus to be covered by this Funding Request	Area(s) of focus indicated in the Allocation Letter or otherwise agreed upon with the Global Fund.
Allocation Funding Request Amount	Amount requested from the Allocation, in line with the program cost submitted by the applicant and prioritized by the Global Fund. This amount should be consistent across all application documents.
Prioritized Above Allocation Request (PAAR) Amount	Amount requested in the PMAR. This amount should be consistent across all application documents.
Matching Funds Request Amount (if applicable)	Amount requested in Matching Funds (if eligible), as outlined in the Allocation Letter. This amount should be consistent across all application documents.

See the Core Guidance page for guidance on prioritizing and developing the Funding Request.

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Dedicated training in March

Additional Annexes:

1. Performance Framework
2. Budget
3. Focused Funding Landscape Table
4. Prioritized Above Allocation Request
5. National Strategic Plans
6. Transition Workplan*
7. Assessment of Equity, Human Rights and Gender Related Barriers to Health Services**
8. CCM Endorsement of Funding Request
9. CCM Statement of Compliance

* Mandatory for Transition applicants, If available for other Focused applicants

** If available

Funding request

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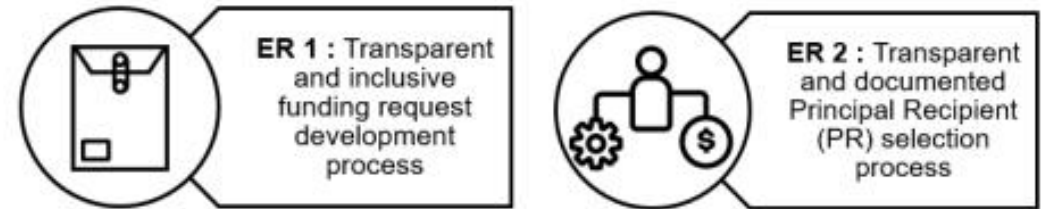
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Options:

- **Funding window:**
 - 8 June (W1)
 - **27 July (W2) - recommended**
 - 5 October (W3)
- **Application pathway:** Classic vs grant-ready



Eligibility Requirements still need to be met



*Links:

- Funding Request application resources: [FR Application Resources](#)
- Funding Request materials: [FR application materials](#)

Funding request

GC8 submission pathways

Important to confirm implementation arrangements early, to improve implementation-readiness. Key prerequisite to allow development of Grant-ready Funding Request.

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Description


If CCM nominates existing PR(s) they can request that PR(s) develop grant-level PF/DB as part of the Applicant's Funding Request submission

Benefits

- ✓ Expedites grant negotiations
- ✓ Reduces manual rework
- ✓ Ensures strong early grant design from the start

Eligibility

For Applicants that **nominate existing PRs for all grants** within the same FR


 Early nomination of PRs is critical



Traditional Funding Request completed by the Applicant, with FR-level PF/DB, reviewed by TRP before negotiating grant-level PF/DB

- ✓ Ensures a rigorous FR prioritization process in case of changing PR, or significant changes to implementation arrangements or national reprioritization

For applicants nominating a **new PR for one or more grants**, or who choose to use the classic approach

 Early nomination of PRs still recommended

Funding request

Technical Review Panel criteria



The Technical Review Panel (TRP) is an independent, impartial team of experts recruited to review funding requests. Review approach for GC8 is being updated to ensure greater differentiation and alignment with key changes in GC8.

The TRP assesses the extent to which funding requests demonstrate:

Strategic
Focus

Technical
Soundness

Potential for
Impact

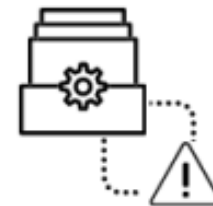
Poised for
Sustainability

TRP Review Criteria are tied to the 2023-2028 Global Fund Strategy.

Following the review, funding requests are either:

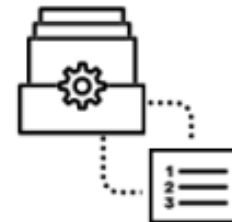


Recommended for
Grant-making

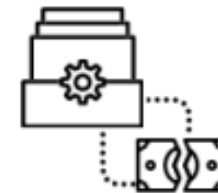


Recommended for
Iteration

The TRP also identifies:



Issues and Actions to
be Addressed



Items from PAAR
assessed as Unfunded
Quality Demand (UQD)

Planning for submission

Key steps toward W2 submission

1. Hold **CCM meeting to agree on key parameters of Funding Request development (asap, early April if possible)**:
 - Proposed program split
 - Funding Request Roadmap: key milestones for identifying funding areas, roles and responsibilities (incl. members of the writing team), CCM endorsement
 - Process for PR selection, incl. key selection criteria
 - Technical assistance needs, if any
2. Arrange **Country Dialogue** discussions (**multiple sessions in April-May**)
3. Issue **PR call for proposals (start process in early April to complete selection by June)**
4. Complete required **administrative steps**:
 - Submit form to confirm Submission Pathway & TRP window selected (- form shared) (**by 15 April**)
 - Update contact list in Grant Entity Data (GED) system to enable online submission (**by 30 April**)
 - Confirm or propose revised program split (form shared with Allocation Letter) (**before/with FR**)

Planning for submission

Available support from the Country Team

1. Information sharing:

- Brief CCM on overall GC8 expectations at next CCM meeting
- Arrange periodic GC8 info sessions for CCM members and program stakeholders

2. Planning support:

- Support CCM Secretariat with developing FR roadmap and timelines

3. Contributing to Country Dialogue:

- Engage with programs on planning strategic priorities, discuss prioritization options
- In person or virtually (depending on travel situation)

4. Reviewing draft Funding Requests and provide feedback:

- Can review 2 drafts: 15 May and 15 June, with feedback within 1 week.

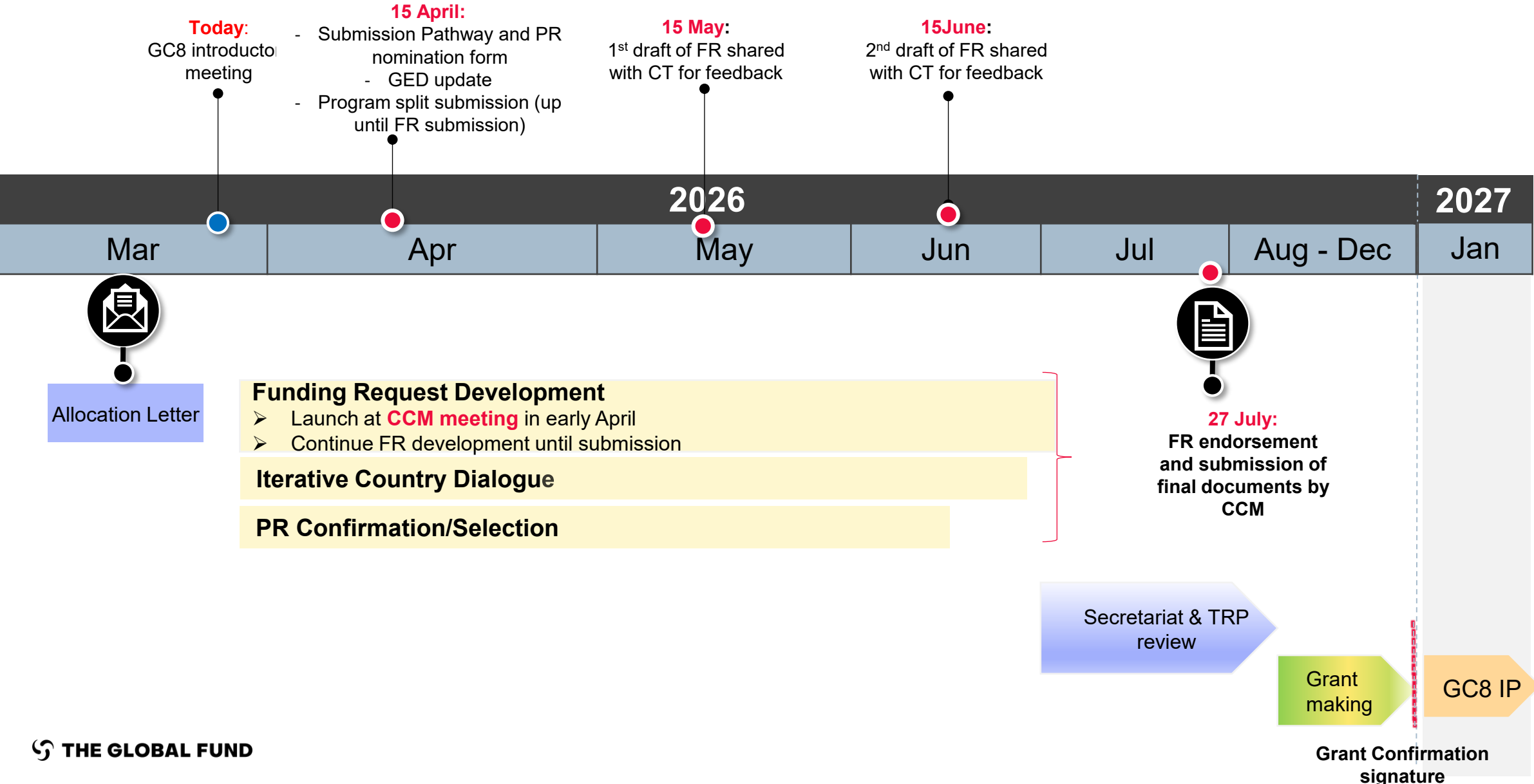
5. Ad hoc support, QA, working with writing team as and when needed

In addition to CT, **Global Fund technical staff** available to support:

- Disease advisors – HIV & TB
- Public health specialists, HIV prevention and key population experts
- RSSH and integration advisors
- Lab/diagnostic advisors, supply chain specialists
- Community rights and gender advisors
- Health financing and innovative financing experts

Planning for submission

Key milestones toward W2 FR submission and approval



Planning for submission

Links and resources

- Applying for Funding: [Applying for GC8](#)
- *Information Sessions (regularly updated)*: [Information Sessions](#)
- FR form for tailored for transition/high impact: [FR form](#)
- Funding Request application resources: [FR Application Resources](#)
- Funding Request materials: [FR application materials](#) (templates coming soon!)
- *Core Guidance*: [Info Notes](#) (info notes coming soon!)
- Supplemental Guidance: [Supplemental Guidance](#)

Malaria program

Way forward to support transition from GF funding

GC7 grant end date cannot be revised but NCVBDC may request an **extended transition-focused closure**:

- **12-month** closure period after grant end
- Exceptional request to **allow implementation of selected critical activities** during grant closure
- Activity implementation to be **funded from grant savings**
- **Scope of activities and continuing implementers to be discussed with Country Team**
 - **Focus:** Activities with the greatest impact and requiring a transition period
 - **Eligibility:** Key, already validated and ongoing activities (no new activities)
- **Key timelines:** Submit transition-focused closure plan by 30 June, complete required approvals by 31 October, final transitional-closure budget by 15 December 2025.

Malaria program

Way forward to support transition from GF funding

Additional considerations:

- **Ensuring admin efficiency/time optimization:** Where applicable, any needed MoUs/agreements to extend the implementation of activities should be extended without launching a new RfP to avoid delays.
- **Implementation and results:** A demonstrated acceleration in current implementation (particularly for LLINs procurement and NGO SR implementation) and obtaining case management results from NGO SRs in the next PUDR would likely contribute to supporting the request.
- **Performance assurance:** Y2 PUDR and a potential tailored LFA assessment could be used to evaluate results/impact of selected activities.
- **Sustainability:** The request needs to be country-driven, aligned with the malaria program transition needs, while being compliant with internal GF policies and requirements.

Thank you!









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Annexes

Characteristics of the GC8 required documents*

Document Name		FR Module (CCM)**	GM Module (PR)**
Application Form		Word	-
Performance Framework (Classic) 		Excel	-
Grant-level Performance Framework  (Required for Grant-ready FR)	Core documents	-	Online
Budget (Classic) 		Excel	-
Grant-level Budget  (Required for Grant-ready FR)		-	Excel
Health Products Management Template (HPMT)  (Required for Grant-ready FR – only for HI/Core portfolios)		-	Online
Prioritized Above Allocation Request 		Excel	-
Programmatic Gap Tables (HIV – TB – Malaria [‡])		Other supporting docs	Excel
Funding Landscape Table	Excel		-
Funding Priorities from Civil Society and Communities	Word		-
CCM Statement of Compliance	Word		-
CCM Endorsement	Excel		-
National Strategic Plans, Sustainability and Transition documentation, Transition Workplan etc.	No Global Fund templates - free form		-

* See [Application Materials](#) on the Global Fund website for details on the document requirements for each Application Approach.

** Under the 'Download' tab in the respective FR or GM module in the Partner Portal.

‡ [Link to the Roll Back Malaria form](#) that is to be used.



System-generated: applicant or grant-specific document