

## Record of Discussions

### Desk Review of the Principal Recipient PLAN India by the Oversight Committee for GC7 (HIV) Grant

Date: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026

Time: 12:00 PM- 01:00 PM

Mode: Virtual Meeting

A virtual desk review of the Non-Government Principal Recipient, PLAN India, for the GC7 Grant was held on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026. The meeting was attended by the members of the Oversight Committee (OC), the India Secretariat, Program Divisions and representatives from the Non-Governmental Principal Recipient (NGPR), PLAN India for the GC7 Grant, as per the attendance list enclosed in **Annexure 1**. The objective of the review was to assess the implementation of the GC7 Grant up to April 2026 and evaluate the performance of the Principal Recipient based on their Key Performance Indicators.

PLAN India delivered a presentation which was broadly based on the format shared by the India CCM Secretariat and can be found enclosed **Annexure 2**.

**Major Discussion Points/Action Points are as follows:**

| Sl no. | Comments/Suggestions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Response/Discussions                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Further action required                                                                                                                                                                |
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| 1      | The OC sought clarification on whether there is a target for registration                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | The target has been provided under the GF Performance Framework, and the registration target was calculated based on MPSE population data.                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 2      | The OC reiterated the need for a sustainability plan and sought clarification on whether PLAN India has developed any corresponding strategies. The OC also requested a detailed activity plan for the next six months, with timelines specified either month-wise or on a quarterly basis | In response, PLAN India stated that it is equally concerned and actively engaged in discussions on sustainability and how service provision can be continued. However, in view of the request made, PLAN India stated that a month-wise plan for the next six months can be provided                                                     | Share a six-month activity plan outlining the key activities, transition strategy and measures to ensure continuity of prevention services for all registered clients post transition. |
| 3      | The OC sought further information regarding CSR, given its association with the programme                                                                                                                                                                                                  | It was stated that, under the overall implementation design, several CSR partners are approached for multiple projects. For example, the AI-linked X-ray machine which has facilitated screening of more than 2,000 clients. It was also stated that CSR funding has been mobilized at the national level as well as at individual OSCs. |                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| 4      | The OC requested an update on whether the earlier observation regarding coordination with SACS for training has been implemented.<br>The OC asked whether the referral pathways are functioning                                                                                            | In response, PLAN India stated that recommendations are taken up immediately after they are received. It was further stated that the current status will be provided.                                                                                                                                                                    | Provide details on whether training has been conducted for the OSCs by Jharkhand SACS, and similarly for other relevant                                                                |

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|   | effectively and whether they have led to screening, detection, and clinical management of coinfections such as syphilis, TB, and hepatitis.                                                                                                                                                                                     | TB and syphilis screening have increased, while Hepatitis B and C screening remains lower as it is largely based on clinical need and doctors' prescription. The organization will also share details on the referral pathways.                           | states, on HIV, syphilis, and TB screening, referral for confirmatory testing, and follow-up mechanisms. Additionally, share trends in infectious disease detection disaggregated by population group and state and follow up.                                                   |
| 5 | The OC emphasized the need to clearly reflect registration status as either ever registered or actively registered, since this is important for understanding retention in the system                                                                                                                                           | With regard to registration, it was clarified that the figures represent ever-registered clients. Following the OC visit recommendation, individual follow-up has been initiated, and further improvement in linkages is expected in the coming semester. | Provide data on linkage outcomes among registered clients, disaggregated by geography, population group, and age category.                                                                                                                                                       |
| 6 | The OC noted that the Global Fund is focused on innovation, scale, and impact, especially for difficult-to-reach populations. PLAN India was requested to show how Global Fund support has contributed to target achievement, with a stronger storyline on value addition and results                                           | PLAN agreed to share the required data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Document and share innovative, scalable, and sustainable models implemented by OSC that have contributed to improved outcomes. Highlight any population-specific approaches and provide recommendations on their potential adoption and integration within the national program. |
| 7 | The OC stated that PLAN has flagged challenges in the supply of HIV kits, linkage to clinical services, especially for Hep B and Hep C, and access to social services. The OC suggested strengthening monthly coordination meetings with DISHA and other programs to address these gaps and improve service delivery. They also | PLAN noted the recommendation and stated that they will take the necessary action                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |

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|   | emphasized looking beyond numbers to the full cascade                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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## List of Participants:

## Annexure 1

| S No. | Name                    | Designation                                    | Organization |
|-------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1     | Dr. Naresh Goel         | Member                                         | OC           |
| 2     | Dr. Mohan P S Kohli     | Member                                         | OC           |
| 3     | Dr. Sunita Upadhyaya    | Member                                         | OC           |
| 4     | Mr. Ramesh Babu         | Member                                         | OC           |
| 5     | Dr. Rita Prasad         | Member                                         | OC           |
| 6     | Mr. Ningthoujam Roshan  | Member                                         | OC           |
| 7     | Mr. Shridhar Pandey     | Member                                         | OC           |
| 8     | Mr. Samir Kumar         | Member                                         | OC           |
| 9     | Mr. Atul                | Member                                         | OC           |
| 10    | Dr. Rajesh              | Director (Programme and Strategic Partnership) | PLAN         |
| 11    | Mr. Kaushik             |                                                | PLAN         |
| 12    | Mr. Shyam Prakash Singh | Sr Manager                                     | PLAN         |
| 13    | Ms. Gupta               |                                                | PLAN         |
| 14    | Ms. Gitanjali Mohanty   | Coordinator                                    | ICCM         |
| 15    | Ms. Vera Sapu           | Program Officer                                | ICCM         |
| 16    | Ms. Chander Pal         | Admin Asst                                     | ICCM         |

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