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**Introduction**

At the last Coordinating Board meeting, several members noted concern over resource constraints of WHO in general, and of the WHO Stop TB Department in particular, which is inhibiting its rapid response to increasing TB control support needs. As WHO is an anchor in global efforts and in actions proposed in the Global Plan to Stop TB, 2006-2015, the Board asked that WHO present on its likely resource situation for 2006-2007, both in order to discuss how the Board might assist in mobilizing resources to fill gaps, and also to note how WHO's challenges may be reflective of the situation of other major technical partners.

**Summary**

The WHO Stop TB Department is the global leader in TB control policy development, strategy guidance, surveillance and monitoring, and a top provider of technical assistance to high TB burden countries. It houses and provides the administrative and legal foundation for the Stop TB Partnership Secretariat, GDF and the GLC. In addition, WHO provides the secretariat for three Partnership Working Groups (namely, DOTS Expansion, DOTS-Plus, and TB/HIV as well as sub-groups on lab strengthening and Public-Private mix). WHO's staffing and activities in TB control rose dramatically during the 1990s in response to recognition of the growing global TB burden and WHO's role in supporting response by Member States and the global public health community. Over the past 5 years, the Stop TB Department has paid particular attention to increasing capacity of WHO at country and regional levels to support country-led DOTS expansion, TB-HIV and drug-resistant TB actions within health sector plans and systems.

Today, WHO is faced by several expanding functions:

- Support and interventions required to address the TB emergencies in Africa and in Eastern Europe/Central Asia, as well as the expanded response required under the Global Plan to Stop TB, 2006-2015 in all regions.
- Growing demand for technical support, and TA coordination, from Member States, as well as partners such as the Global Fund, USAID, PEPFAR, World Bank, etc.
- A mandate to measure impact of TB control in achieving progress on the defined indicators under the Millennium Development Goals and Stop TB Partnership 2015 targets
- Responsibilities associated with its Secretariat functions for the Stop TB Working Groups.
- Expanded support for the key function of strengthening laboratories to meet all TB control needs.
Summary continued...

WHO received 9% of its budget envelope through its Regular Budget allocation in 2004-2005. An increasing share of the overall envelope (approx. 44%) is dedicated to Stop TB Partnership needs, principally for the Global Drug Facility. Substantial resources have been provided from several donors for some key areas of work but important gaps persist even for policy development and monitoring & evaluation. Most importantly, unspecified resources essential to enable rapid response to high-burden country needs with nationally-based staff or support missions have been decreasing in parallel with an increasing demand. This is sometimes inhibiting capturing of available resources locally or their efficient use needed for renewal of support and impact.

The presentation will provide an overview of the current budget envelope, assured and expected resources from specified and unspecified sources, and likely gaps in resources. Gaps are greatest for technical assistance, lab strengthening, GLC functions, impact measurement, further capacity-building for scaling up PPM, and policy dialogue required for increased domestic political commitment for TB control within system strengthening. In all cases, recognition is given to the comparative advantage of WHO and other partners.

Decisions requested from the Stop TB Coordinating Board

- For discussion and recommendations on ways the Partnership can support resource mobilization for WHO's global network and its core functions in supporting the Partnership.

Next steps and time frame

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