T-11020/77/05- NACO/BSD (HIV-TB)
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Department of AIDS Control
(National AIDS Control Organization)

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#### **ORDER**

Approval of the competent authority is hereby conveyed to reconstitute the National Technical Working Group (NTWG) to make recommendations for implementation of TB/HIV collaborative activities in the country under the broad policy framework of the Government of India.

The Terms of Reference (TOR) of NTWG are as follows:

- 1. To strengthen NACP-RNTCP co-ordination at National, State and District Level.
- 2. To review, optimize and plan for future TB/HIV collaborative activities as envisaged in NACP-IV and the RNTCP National Strategic Plan (2012-17).
- 3. To develop strategies for roll-out and scale up of TB/HIV interventions as recommended for implementation by NACP and RNTCP.
- 4. Strengthening mechanism for joint supervision and monitoring including standardized recording, reporting and data sharing between NACP and RNTCP as per National Framework for TB/HIV collaborative activities.
- 5. Identify key areas for research and facilitate conduct of operational research to improve programme implementation or research for impact assessment of TB/HIV interventions.
- 6. Any other matter with permission of chair.

The composition of the NTWG is given as below:

#### Chairperson:

Dr. Ashok Kumar, Deputy Director General (BSD), Department of AIDS Control (DAC), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW). In case the Chairperson is not available, a nominee of Chairperson may preside over the deliberations.

#### Members:

- 1. Deputy Director General (TB), Central TB Division, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MOHFW).
- 2. CMO-TB (In-charge for TB-HIV activities) at Central TB Division, MOHFW.
  - 3. Medical Officer-HIV, WHO India Country Office, New Delhi.
  - 4. Medical Officer/ NPO -TB, WHO India Country Office, New Delhi.
  - 5. National Consultant, TB/HIV, Central TB Division, MOHFW.
  - 6. TB/HIV researcher, National Institute for Research in TB (NIRT), Chennai.
  - 7. Joint Director/ In-charge TB/HIV activities at State AIDS Control Society nominated by DAC, (annual rotation).
  - 8. State TB Officer nominated by CTD (annual rotation).

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# Representative from NACO:

- 9. Deputy Director General (CST), Department of AIDS Control (DAC), NACO, MOHFW.
- 10. National Programme Officer (ART), DAC, NACO, MOHFW.
- 11. National Programme Officer / Programme Officer ICTC, DAC, NACO, MOHFW.

# Member Secretary:

12. Programme Officer (HIV/TB), DAC, NACO, MOHFW.

# Representative from Civil Society Organization/NGOs:

- 13. President, Indian Network for Positive People (INP+), New Delhi.
- 14. Representative from Global Health Advocates, New Delhi.

# **Special Invitee:**

15. If need arises chairperson of the NTWG may invite special invitee (up to 3 in number) based on agenda for discussion.

# **Frequency of Meetings:**

Quarterly, four weeks after end of the quarter.

The expenditure for functioning of NTWG is to be met out of funds provided by Department of AIDS Control, MOHFW, GOI, in accordance with guidelines issued from time to time.

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#### To:

- 1. Chairperson and all the Members of the NTWG.
- 2. Director General of Health Services, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 3. Pay and accounts Officer, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- 4. PPS to the Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- 5. PPS to the Secretary, Department of AIDS Control.
- 6. PPS to the AS, Department of AIDS Control.
- 7. Dir (Finance), NACO.
- 8. All Officers in NACO.