

Accelerate to the Finish:

Increasing sustainable financing for HIV, Tuberculosis and
Malaria responses in Asia-Pacific to achieve the 2030 targets



WHAT IS IT?

Regional synthesis of 4 in-country investment cases + desk reviews

- INDIA: India Working Group on Health Advocacy (IWG) & National Coalition of People Living with HIV in India (NCPI+)
- INDONESIA: Yayasan Spiritia
- SRI LANKA: Diversity and Solidarity Trust (DAST)
- Vietnam: Centre for Supporting Community Development Initiatives (SCDI)



In the Context of COVID-19...

Accelerating to the Finish provides:

- An overview of investments (both financial and other resources) required to achieve the targets set for the three diseases and UHC in Asia-Pacific
- Recommendations for moving forward, including in areas of community, rights and gender, and community systems strengthening (CSS) for sustainable national responses in the Asia-Pacific



Key Findings

- Despite some progress against HIV, TB and malaria, countries in the Asia-Pacific are not on track to achieve targets for the three diseases, nor universal health coverage (UHC)
- Current health funding is insufficient to achieve diseases-specific targets, and its sustainability is threatened by decreasing or stagnating domestic financing.
- High and increasing out-of-pocket expenditure for health care threatens the health outcomes of key and vulnerable populations in the region.
- The Global Fund has played a significant role in supporting the three diseases responses in Asia-Pacific countries and building community systems.
- Improving access to healthcare by vulnerable and marginalised communities requires addressing systemic, human rights, and socio-economic barriers.
- Domestic financial and political resource are not prioritising the the two key solutions to ensuring that vulnerable and marginalised groups are not left behind: community systems strengthening and human rights-based and gender transformative approaches.



Recommendations



- **Urgent Need to increase domestic resource mobilisation:** Governments need to increase their spending on health care, with guidance from civil society on the most appropriate investments for sustainable investments in health and UHC.
- **Increase the Fiscal Space for Health:** Donors and technical partners need to work with governments to provide additional resources and hold them accountable to improving health outcomes.
- **Protect human rights, community engagement, and civic space:** Laws and policies must change to remove barriers to accessing health care for the most marginalised communities.
- **Support community system strengthening (CSS):** Invest in what works, whereby the COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated that with the right support, communities are effective responders.