GLOBAL HEALTH FINANCE IN THE ERA OF POLYCRISES: STRONGER AND ALIGNED GOVERNANCE SYSTEM FOR SUSTAINABILITY

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BACKGROUND:

The landscape of global health financing, influenced by geopolitical changes, calls for a new approach in global health governance to address emerging and multiple challenges. A shift from the traditional mindset of ODA is critical to ensure country ownership and effective alignment of initiatives. Mobilising domestic resources (DRM) needs to be centre stage in order to help achieve and sustain equitable coverage and financial protection.

Objective:

The Global Fund aims to strengthen **country systems**, prioritise **onbudget financing**, and enhance the **transparency** of financial flows.

APPROACH:

Facing these challenges, The Global Fund (GF) has proactively responded by establishing a dedicated health financing team to help drive the sustainability of disease programmesand strengthening health systems by promoting domestic investments that ultimately contribute to Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

The GF's Sustainability, Transition and Co-Financing Policy encourages countries to engage in meaningful policy dialogues with fiscal authorities and augment their public health budgets.

Collaborative efforts encompass a thorough review of health budgets, strengthening of public financial systems, joint financing with development banks, and promoting alignment with other global health initiatives.

FINDINGS:

- The process of supporting domestic financing is a step towards sustainability and country ownership. (ex. Co-finance, AU African Leaders' Meeting)
 - Increased and alighted financing for health through blending
- UHC/PPP/PHC/HSS are possible with domestic resource mobilisation and efficient use of existing resources.
 - Structural reforms that transform organisational culture to align incentives And introduce increased accountability are necessary for an aligned governance system at country and global.

The lessons learned from financing for global public goods enhances the importance of sustainability and equity in shaping the trajectory of global health financing.

Co-financing with National Budget Encouraging domestic spend for PHC

Blended Finance with MDBs Facilitating aligned and on-budget fiscal space

Advocacy for DRM African Union to host Africa Leadership Meetings

Partnerships between GHIs Enhancing efficiency by harmonizing health initiatives SFHA (WHO,WB, GFF, Gavi and Global Fund)

Strengthen Public Financing Systems National health account, National health insurance erc Sustainable and Resilient Health System

Universal Health Coverage



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