Extending the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023 to 2025
Global Online Member States Consultation, 30 June 2022

SUMMARY

1. Background

Member States approved an extension of GPW 13 (2019-2023) to 2025 by adopting resolution A75/53 and requested the Director-General to:

- Consult with Member States on the Director-General’s report ‘Extending GPW 13, 2019–2023 to 2025’ (A75/8) and submit the outcome of the consultation to the Executive Board at its 152nd session.
- Continue developing the proposed ‘Programme Budget (PB) 2024-2025’, based on the extension of GPW 13 considering the priorities in the Director-General’s report and Member State consultations.

The objective of extending GPW 13 is to strengthen country capacity to accelerate progress toward the GPW 13 triple billion targets and SDGs.

2. Member States Consultation

A global online Member States consultation was held on 30 June 2022. For the world to reach the health-related SDGs by 2030 at the current pace, which is at about a quarter, there is an urgency to increase the velocity. While progress has been made in many, acceleration is needed, and the GPW 13 extension provides a renewed focus to stay the course to deliver on the triple billion targets by 2025. By intensifying support to countries and establishing better linkages to the Programme Budget 2024-25 and priorities informed by data and evidence at the global, regional and country levels, it is possible to recover resiliently and equitably from the pandemic. The GPW 13 triple billion strategy, aligned with WHO’s five priorities offers the possibility to accelerate by setting priorities, implementing data and evidence driven delivery approaches and resourcing high impact policy solutions, promoting integrated approaches to build stronger health systems and PHC in countries, identifying and applying ready-to-scale innovations, incentivizing partnerships and multilateral collaboration, and exploring innovative financing for public health. Examples of these were presented and Member States welcomed the GPW 13 extension and highlighted the following issues:

i. **Alignment and implications of the five priorities with GPW13 strategy:** It is important to not lose focus on the unfinished agenda of infectious diseases (e.g. polio) and GPW 13 triple billion targets. The Secretariat responded that the GPW 13 extension document and PB 24-25 will be updated to provide greater clarity on promoting integrated approaches to strengthening countries’ health systems and primary health care.

ii. **Areas of concentration:** These are based on a set of objective criteria at global, regional and country levels, and should be matched by a percent of agreed funding to address them optimally and reflected in PB 24-25. Member States suggested to focus these on prevention as well.

iii. **Results framework and impact measurement:** The results framework remains intact, and any amendments will be made in consultation with Member States. Member States supported the need to improve indicators to better monitor UHC- SDG 3.8.1 (service coverage) and 3.8.2 (financial protection). Secretariat will submit a proposal to Member States in fall 2023.

iv. **Country support:** The Secretariat will strengthen country offices’ capacity by promoting integrated models that can effectively respond to the needs of Member States.

3. Next steps

The Secretariat will update the report on GPW 13 extension based on Member State feedback and regional committees, and submit a report as recommended to the Executive Board at its 152nd session. The Programme Budget 2024-2025 will follow the prioritization at global, regional and country level.
References

Extending the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023 to 2025 (A75/8)

Extending the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023 to 2025, Report of the Programme, Budget and Administration Committee of the Executive Board to the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly (A75/53)

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Programme Budget 2022-23 (A74/5)

Proposed revision to the Programme Budget 2022-23 (A75/6)

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