Subject: HEALTH POVERTY REDUCTION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - HPRED - 2nd INTER COUNTRY WORKSHOP IN NIROBI, KENYA 14 - 16 MARCH 2007

1. BACKGROUND

The 2015 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) put health at the centre stage of development planning - five out of the 8 goals are health or health related and the rest also depending somehow on achievement in health. At current trend, many countries will fall short of the 2015 targets. The 58th session of the WHA (Geneva, May 2005) adopted a resolution to engage countries, donors and partners in supporting national and international initiatives towards improving health outcomes, especially those that impact on the poor. In the African Region, the Regional Committee of African ministers of health, at its fifty fifth session in Maputo (RC 55, Mozambique, September 2005), while affirming that poverty cannot co-exist with good health, urged Member States to develop and implement ‘road-maps’ for the achievement of the MDGs in the context of existing national development planning frameworks.

Meanwhile, countries in their attempt to scroll out such national process are impeded by a lack of (i) capacity in MoH and in Gov overall; and (ii) systematic approach developed by international institutions - in relation to PRSP, MDGs, MTEF - to build capacity and sustain a country process. WHO has a central role at both levels and continue to be solicited by an increasing number of low income countries for technical support to accelerate the move to achieving the health MDGs, including support to mobilize additional resources from Donors. Countries are more specifically concerned with:

- How to establish sustainable links between Ministry of health and ministries of planning/finance/economic, in order to support increasing and more effective investment in health;
- How to ensure that health is properly reflected in national poverty reduction and economic development strategies (PRSP, MTEF), and that poverty reduction strategies are not de-linked from the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals and other health and development targets;
- How to build the capacity required to harmonize and align donor support for health and AIDS around national strategies through the development of sector-wide approaches (SWAp) and the effective management of global initiatives; and
- How to make sure that health policies and systems address the needs of poor people.

In this context, WHO is piloting a HPRED strategy in countries to address structural issues that lie at the interface of health, poverty reduction and economic development, in order to support countries improve policy analysis in this vein.

This workshop is organized by AFRO and HQ to follow up the first (Dakar, October 2005) inter country workshop recommendations towards a systematic framework of policy analysis for health MDGs. The objective, beyond sharing elements of diagnostic and policy with participants, is to set an institutional policy dialogue between health and other sectors, especially Finance and Budget, which advocates for a more effective use of resources with budget increase and more aid from Donors.

Country teams are expected to prepare a 3 -5 pages 'country case', responding to the following questions.

1. **Diagnostic of Poverty and health**: To what extent health and health systems are analysed in the various national development strategies (PRSP, MDGs, ). Please explore the diagnostic instruments used for health in those documents and analyse deficits in Diagnostic and interventions.

2. **Health Financing and resources allocation**: Depict the evolution of health sector financing from budget, MTEF and development assistance in the period 1998 - 2004/2005. Provide an analysis of
the trend and based on your knowledge of the country context, identify gaps of financing and capacity/constraints of absorption.

3. **Integration of Health targets into National Development Strategy**: Based on the MDGs, PRSP and health SWAp of your country, analyse the extent to which health is adequately integrated into various development frameworks and suggest some alternatives to overcome eventual fragmentation.

4. **Proposal to accelerate achievement of targeted health outcomes**: A Donor is expecting from the Government a country proposal to support efforts in addressing issues mentioned above (questions 1 - 3), how would you structure the proposal. Set up a matrix in which you analyse the linkages between situation analysis of health, Expected Results, Implementation Mechanism, resources requirement and sustainability instruments for health sector development. This proposal should be prepared by a government team with Ministry of Health, Ministry of Finance/planning, and PRSP Management Team.

5. **Table for modelling MDGs trend**: Kindly fill in the table with most update statistics available for your country

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