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Tanzania STP in collaboration with MAF-TB Secretariat engaged MAF-TB focal Persons and Directors of Policy and Planning from MAF-TB Ministries in the continuation of implementation of TB activities in Tanzania.

Tanzania adopted and Launched the WHO – MAF-TB framework for TB responses in March 24th, 2023 during the commemoration of the WTBD, to ensure the realization of the implementation of the TB activities at Ministerial and Sectorial level, Tanzania STP worked collaboratively with the Ministry of Health through the National TB and Leprosy Program (MoH-NLTP) and other TB Partners including the Tanzania TB Community Network (TTCN), AMREF-Tanzania, World Health Organization (WHO) –Tanzania Office under the coordination of the Prime Minister’s Office (PMO) engaged all 26 Ministries of the Tanzania mainland on further efforts in the realization of their Sectorial specific actions, supported those Ministries on soliciting possible opportunities for mainstreaming TB with the existing/ongoing Activities; the national MAF-TB secretariat led the process of development of the MAF-TB Operational plan and M&E framework that guide the implementation of the inter-sectorial TB activities, several other agreements were reached including the Ministry of Education integrating TB agenda in the short and long term Middle and Higher Learning curriculums, Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism agreed to develop plan of action that will be used to solicit funding from parastatals and private sectors working under the ministry for TB



response, the Tanzania Public Service College (TPSC) agreed to develop the Education curriculum for inclusion of the TB agenda into new entrants’ orientation courses such

that they are equipped for TB prevention and control as well as for mainstreaming the TB agenda in their forthcoming work environments.



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Engagement with MAF-TB Priority Ministries, Departments, and Agencies to support them on mainstreaming TB agenda in their sectors.

In collaboration with the MoH-NTLP under the coordination of the Prime Minister's Office visited the TB priority Ministries including the institutions and departments of the Ministry of Home Affairs, the Tanzania Public Services Colleges' (TPCS) Management office which is under the President's Office of Public Services and Good Governance, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Tourism (MNRT) to provide technical support for mainstreaming TB activities with the existing/ongoing Activities and identification of Partners who can work with them in their respective Ministerial sectors; several agreements were reached including the Ministry of Home Affairs Improve the existing policy to accommodate TB services by scaling up TB services in their departments, cooperated with the Ministry of Health and Tanzania STP to mapping more Partners to work with in their respective ministry.



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Tanzania STP engaged Parliament on TB Oversight by political wing.



Taking into accountability and implementation of the MAF-TB commitments as indicated in the compact framework, the Tanzania STP Secretariat engaged the chairperson of the Parliamentary TB Caucus and the chairperson of the Parliamentary Health and AIDS Committee, Director of the Parliamentary Committees and their secretaries together with the Members of Parliament in the Inter-Parliamentary Unit (IPU) for Tanzania. Discussed on inclusion of the TB agenda for political oversight through the existing Parliamentary Committees. The Director of Parliamentary Committees and his team were oriented on the MAF-TB process in Tanzania to build common understanding

specifically on the Government commitments towards MAF-TB in the country. The national MAF-TB commitments were discussed and the Director of the Parliamentary Committees committed to take the agenda of TB at the Parliament level for political oversight and accountability. As for further decision-making and operationalization of the MAF TB agenda in the parliament, the Tanzania STP in collaboration with the MAF-TB Secretariat intends to work with the Director of the Parliamentary Committees on their mandates to lead the process of developing an Operational Plan that will guide the operationalization of TB activities across all Parliamentary committees.



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Engagement with the Minister of Health on the TB agenda.

Taking into account the implementation of the national TB commitments including those identified in the MAF-TB compact document/framework, United Nations High-level meeting for TB (UNHLM TB) national targets, to push the agenda on the government to have a specific framework that will guide the Ministries to budget for TB as one of the sustainable sources of domestic financing, discuss on specific proposal to adopt the “One Dollar Initiative – ODI” for mobilizing funds from Private sectors in the country to address funding gaps for TB response. The Tanzania STP visited the Minister of Health to sensitize commitments to garner political will and spearhead the national efforts towards ending the TB epidemic in the country.



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Tanzania STP engaged the National Program Manager of the National TB and Leprosy Program and the Regional TB and Leprosy Coordinators for the institutionalization of the United National High-Level Meeting for TB response (UNHLM TB) 2023 targets.

Ensuring that Tanzania is accountable to the UNHLM TB 2023 national targets, Tanzania STP Convened series of the strategic meetings with different levels of Decision makers and technical groups to ensure that targets are politically owned and nationally institutionalized into annual plans, the Program Manager and his team of the National TB and Leprosy Program (PM-NTLP) and the regional TB and Leprosy Coordinators



(RTLCs) from all regions during the NTLP Semi-annual review meeting were engaged to sensitize the Institutionalization of the national UNHLM TB 2023 Targets into the national annual plans. agreements were reached, the PM –NTLP, RTLCs, and stakeholders during the meeting agreed to adopt UNHLM TB 2023 national targets in their areas of operation and produce implementation progress reports within their reporting periods.

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Meeting with the Head of Programs (HoP), Ministry of Health.



Tanzania STP visited the Head of Programs at the Ministry of Health to harness the national effort and fast-track the engagement with the private sectors particularly those in the mining sector that operate under the Ministry of Minerals involve them in protecting small scale Miners against TB infections, advocate for contributing resources to broader End TB efforts. The national MAF-TB secretariat through its annual roadmap should increase partners' engagement in TB response, ensuring the development of the MAF-TB Operational Plan and M&E framework to track the progress of MAF-TB implementation, Orientation, and capacity building for MAF-TB focal Persons (FPs) on identifying and mapping partners within their operational areas.