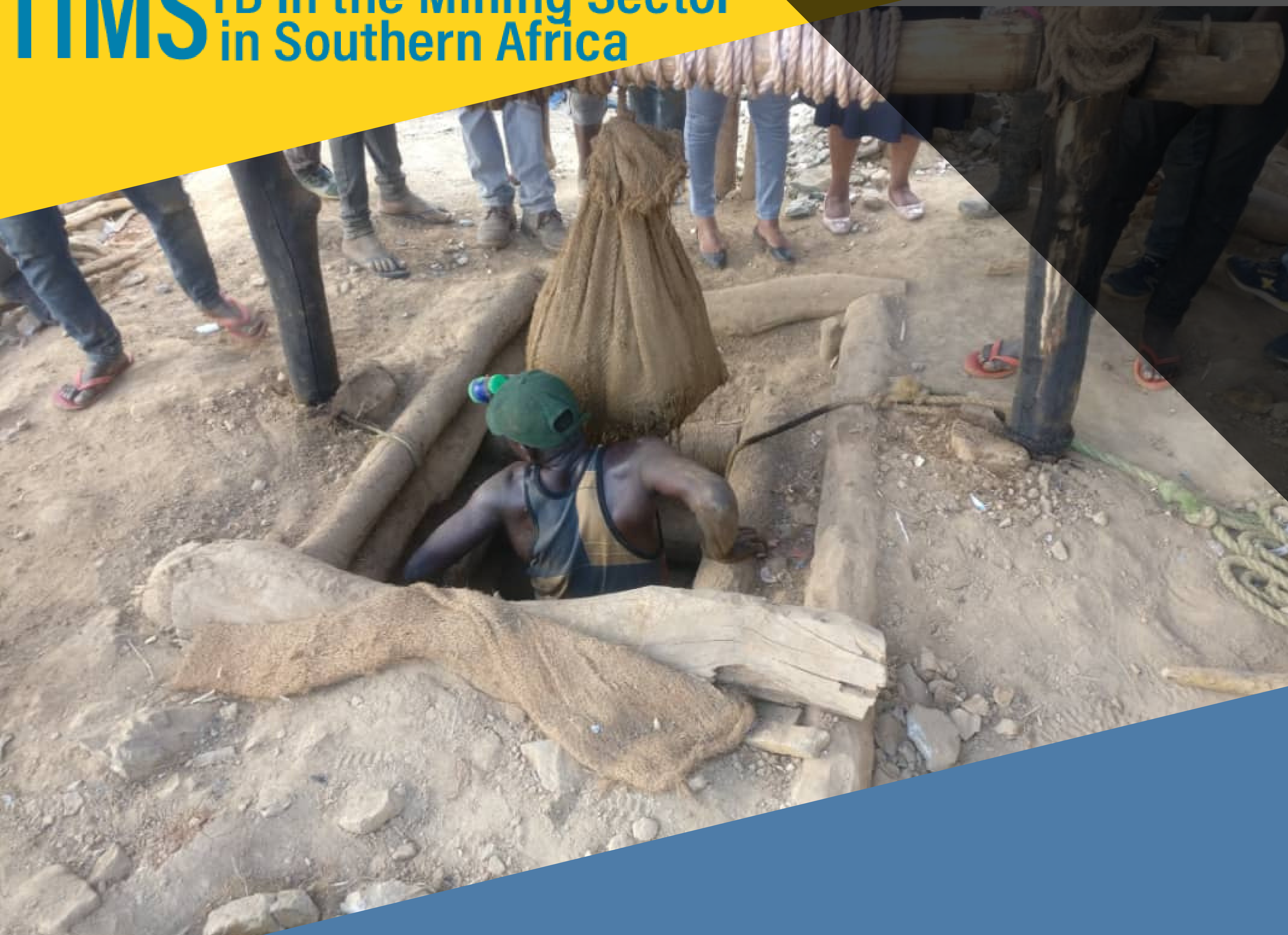


TIMS TB in the Mining Sector in Southern Africa



TIMS PROJECT: COUNTRY FOCUS/NAMIBIA





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1.0 Introduction

The Tuberculosis in the Mining Sector in Southern Africa (TIMS) is a regional catalytic project funded by the Global Fund. The project has earlier been implemented through two phases, TIMS I and TIMS II involving 10 countries. In order to sustain the gains from the two phases, Global Fund made available to RCM an additional grant of US\$10.5 million to implement phase 3 of the project (July 2021 to June 2024) with expanded geographic scope involving all the SADC countries.

As opposed to the previous phases, in TIMS phase III (TIMS III) ***the project shall not focus on services delivery at national level but on strengthening multi-country and multi-sectoral co-ordination and accountability mechanism for TB in the mines in the SADC region.*** Service delivery is anticipated to be directly supported through country specific grants by the Global Fund for qualifying countries. However, through the regional project some countries shall be supported in specific areas related generally to strengthening systems for occupational health and compensation, supporting development of private sector led TB in the mines initiatives for sustainability, and enhancing the ability of participation of key population to effectively participate in the governance structures at national and regional level regarding control of TB in the mines.

In designing phase III of the TIMS project, the RCM considered a number of issues including lessons and progress from previous phases of the project, the nature and scale of the mining industry in each country, the need for sustainability of TIMS initiatives in the region, variation amongst the SADC countries on the problem of TB in the mines, and practicability of implementation of an intervention in a country, among others. Therefore, in the funding request (FR) a differentiated approach was adopted in the implementation of certain initiatives to avoid a “one size fits all” approach. This basically implies, certain intervention shall cut across all the SADC countries while others will only be implemented in some countries.



2.0 Objective of this document

As elaborated in the Funding Request by the RCM to Global Fund, the funds shall go to the Principal Recipient (PR) who shall be responsible for grant management and implementation of all activities. ***There is no flow of funds directly from PR to any other entity or country.*** However, the PR shall implement the approved activities in collaborations with the various stakeholders identified in the funding request including relevant government departments, key population, private sector and SADC Secretariat, and as necessary pay service providers engaged by the mentioned entities directly as agreed beforehand. This document provides approximate budgetary implication of Namibia participation as one of the SADC countries to TIMS III for each module. Of course, the benefits of participation are expected to be much higher than the cost.

Therefore this document identifies set of interventions under TIMS III that Namibia will directly benefit from or participate in as it works with the PR. The document is expected to help the Namibia TIMS Technical working Group (TWG) to effectively support the process of TIMS project implementation for optimal benefit to the country and the region. The document indicates the activity whether it is regional or country level in nature, the key stakeholders at national level involved and expected outcome or benefits.



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Module 1: Health sector governance and planning- Approximate budget implication for Namibia participation in TIMS III =\$104,453

<p>Sustaining coordination and implementation of the SADC Declaration of TB in the Mines Protocol</p>	<p>Development of regional action (operational) plan for implementation of the Declaration of TB in the Mining Sector Protocol</p>	<p>Regional level activity - Officials from NTP, Occupational Health Unit, Ministry responsible for Minerals, Ministry responsible Compensation/Labour shall be engaged virtually to provide inputs to a regional prototype action plan.</p>	<p>SADC action plan developed with participation of key stakeholders from Namibia</p>
	<p>Integration and operationalization the action plan for the declaration of TB in the mining sector</p>	<p>A national level activity PR to facilitate Namibia TIMS TWG to. - Convene a 2-day meeting to review the regional action plan and develop a national action plan and build consensus on how relevant sectors shall incorporate into their work plans or strategies the action plan intervention. Expected in the meeting are 40 participants from TB, OH, Minerals, Compensation departments, KP, CCM, Chamber of Mines, etc. -National TIMS TWG with support of PR to convene 1 -day meeting to review progress with implementation in 2023 and 2024</p>	<p>Namibia action plan for implementing interventions for the declaration of SADC TB in the mines Protocol developed</p> <p>Key sectors: Health, Mines, Labour and Occupational Health and other implementers integrates action plan interventions into their routine work plans</p> <p>Interventions reflected into relevant department work plans and progress review reports</p>
<p>Support for TIMS grant oversight and coordination</p>	<p>NTP managers meetings</p>	<p>A regional level activity PR to facilitate the NTP manager of Botswana to participate in the SADC NTP managers meeting to finalize the annual TB report</p>	<p>SAnnual SADC TB report produced</p>



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Module 2: TB care and prevention- Approximate budget implication for Namibia participation in TIMS III = 160,825

<p>Strengthening private sector TIMS initiatives</p>	<p>Namibia Private sector (Chamber of Mines) will be supported to design, develop and implement a TB in the mines initiative appropriate to Namibia country context. This will include amongst others:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participation in leaning meetings • TA in the development of the initiative • Providing relevant information by the chamber of mines • Reviewing progress 	<p>Namibia Chamber of mines representatives to participate in regional learning events to inform their development of the TB initiatives</p> <p>The Chamber of Mines to update TIMS TWG and PR periodically on progress</p>	<p>Namibia Chamber of mines have roadmap for development of the own TB in the mines initiative</p> <p>Chamber of Mines implementing at least 1 initiative on TB in the mines by year 3</p>
<p>Strengthen Mine health and Safety standard operating procedures</p>	<p>Technical assistance for review and update MHS regulation and SOPs</p> <p>Development of a MHS SOPs through a participatory process</p>	<p>Country level activity Namibia TIMS TWG works with a consultant virtually to review exiting MHS regulations and SOP and identify areas for improvements</p> <p>Regional level activity - Namibia TIMS TWG provides input or identify officials to input the development 2 generic regional MHS SOPs</p>	<p>Situation analysis report of MHS and SOPs produced and Namibia supported to update relevant documents</p> <p>2 MHS SOPs developed</p>
	<p>Supporting relevant government official to engage with chamber of mines and provide enabling environment</p>	<p>Namibia government officials supported to engage with chambers of mines</p>	<p>Government officials participation in private sector initiatives</p>



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	Training KP organizations to effectively participate in the development of the SOPs, advocate for and monitor implementation of the MHS SOPs country action plans	Country level activity Namibia TIMS TWG and PR organizes national level training of KP organizations so that they participate in the development of MHS SOPs	MHS SOPs action planned developed with inputs from KPs
	Technical assistance to countries to implement the country specific action plans aimed at improving MHS SOPs	Country level activity Namibia TIMS TWG and PR works with a consultant on the implementation of the action plans for MHS SOPs	Namibia implementing MHS SOPs
	Review meetings to review progress in implementation of the action plans and learn from each other and adapt innovative solutions	Regional level activity Namibia TIMS TWG identifies 2 participants to participate in the regional review meeting on the progress of implementation	Review meeting report produced and shared with stakeholders in Namibia
TB care and Prevention KP (TBC&P)-Miners and mining communities	Conduct training of doctors for B-Reading of chest X-Ray films	Regional level activity -Namibia TIMS TWG facilitates identification of 4 medical doctors to participate in B-reading training	At least 4 doctor working in facilities serving mining communities from Namibia trained in B-reading
	Sensitize ASM associations on basic OH including TB and other lung diseases and training of HCWs in ASM localities.	Regional level activity ASM association members facilitated by PR to participate in a regional sensitization meeting	ASM representatives sensitized on Occupational health and other lung diseases enable them to sensitize their members
	Train HCW from ASM mining localities TB, Other lung diseases and compensation for OHS	Regional activity -Namibia -TIMS TWG facilitates identification of 4 health workers to participate in the training	Four health workers from facilities serving ASM communities trained



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Module 3: Health management information systems and M&E- Approximate budget implication for Namibia participation in TIMS III=170,590.07

Strengthen data governance for CBRS	Provide technical assistance to ensure functionality of CBRS	Country level activity Namibia TIMS TWG identify areas of technical support to ensure functionality of CBRS and PR provides the necessary technical support	CBRS functional in Namibia
	Develop an inter-country data sharing agreement and data processing agreement for the SADC CBRS	Regional level activity - Botswana TIMS TWG participate in the process of developing data sharing agreement and facilitates its signing at the national level	Namibia signs the data sharing agreement
	Training to NTP staff at national, regional and district levels and Healthcare Workers on the CBRS and data sharing agreement	Regional level activity Namibia TIMS TWG facilitate the identification of 3 relevant officials for the training on CBRS and data sharing agreement	CBRS is functional in Namibia
	Provide technical assistance to develop a monitoring tool and train the NTP staff and healthcare workers on how to monitor the use of the CBRS system	National level activity Namibia TIMS TWG and PR provide technical assistance in monitoring CBRS and provide other technical support at the facility site	CBRS is functional in Namibia
	Provide technical assistance to document lessons learnt from the CBRS system and advise on how to link the system with other EMR systems existing in the countries	Regional level activity -Namibia TIMS TWG facilitate the identification of 2 relevant officials in the regional meeting	CBRS is functional in Namibia
	Convene a review meeting to assess the implementation of CBRS, lessons learnt and address any challenges	Regional level activity -Namibia TIMS TWG facilitates the participation of relevant CBRS in review meeting	CBRS functional in Namibia



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Module 4: Removing Human Rights and Gender related Barriers to TB Services
 Approximate budget implication Namibia participation in TIMS III = 7,180

<p>Conducting Community, Rights and Gender (CRG) Assessments in the Region</p>	<p>Support establishment and/or build the capacity of a regional coordination mechanism for women in mining. This shall involve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Situation analyses of the existing capacity of women in mining groups at national and regional level • Convene a consultative meeting at regional level of women in mining to build consensus on areas of support in terms of capacity building • Support for networking and training workshop meetings of women in mining 	<p>PR to build the capacity of Women in Mining group in Namibia to participate in national and regional TB and other occupational lung diseases programs</p>	<p>Women in mining group in mining actively participating in national and regional TIMS programs</p>
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Module 5: Community systems strengthening - Approximate budget implication for Namibia participation in TIMS III = \$10,744

Social mobilization, building community linkages and coordination	Sensitize KPs on the TIMS 3 project so that they can effectively support, advocate for, and monitor the regionally focused TIMS work and how the work in their countries is feeding into the regional objectives on an ongoing basis	Regional level activity 2 KPs from Namibia facilitated to participate in the TIMS sensitization meeting by the PR	Regional review report disseminated Regional review report disseminated
	Conduct review meeting with KP organizations on implementation of the TIMS Project action plan	Regional level activity 2 KPs from Namibia facilitated to participate in the TIMS review meeting by the PR	KP trained on human rights advocacy

Module 6: Program management - Approximate budget implication for Namibia participation in TIMS III = 143,461

	Country TIMS Coordination	National level activity Namibia TIMS TWG hold monthly meetings to review TIMS interventions at the country level and provides PR and other stakeholders with feedback for action. PR to facilitate the meeting	PR and other TIMS stakeholders provided with feedback for action
	PR staff to facilitate project implementation in the region	Regional level activity PR staff available to respond and provide technical support to Namibia and the SADC region on matters related to TIMS	PR staff available to support Namibia and other stakeholders during the course of project implementation



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