

HLM ON TB STATEMENT CHECKLIST

On behalf of communities affected by TB and civil society around the world, we thank you for your support of the UN High-Level Meeting on Tuberculosis, and the forthcoming Political Declaration. Attending the HLM also provides an important opportunity to speak on behalf of your country and citizens, and to hold the world accountable to ensuring that the needs of your people are recognized and addressed.

When you speak on behalf of your country and citizens in a statement at the HLM, we ask that you include the following items which are based on a set of Key Asks that were agreed upon by communities affected by TB around the world. We are ready and willing to support you in achieving these goals.

COMMUNITIES AFFECTED BY TB REQUEST THAT YOUR STATEMENT INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

How we will reach all people with TB in our country by closing the gaps on diagnosis, treatment, and prevention

- Share our country's plan to diagnose and treat all people with TB
- Commit to preventing TB infection by scaling up access to TB preventive therapies
Commit to treat all people with MDR-TB in our country by rolling out new drugs for MDR-TB such as bedaquiline and delamanid

How our country will work to accelerate the development of essential new tools to end TB

- Affirm the need for a new vaccine to prevent TB, and new, safer drugs for treating TB, and affordable point-of-care TB diagnostics that can identify new infections and tests for drug resistance

Financing commitments to end TB

- How our country will commit to achieving global annual investment of \$13 billion USD necessary to implement TB programs, including matching domestic funding commitment and/or international aid contribution
- How our country will commit to closing the \$1.3 billion USD annual global funding gap for TB research and development with matching domestic funding commitment and/or international aid contribution

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The importance of decisive and accountable global leadership, including regular UN reporting and review

- ✔ Commit to the establishment of an independent multisectoral accountability framework, including regional accountability mechanisms (if meeting with regional groups), that will include TB-affected communities as key stakeholders
- ✔ Agree to include affected communities and civil society from our country in policy-making and reporting processes.



Acknowledge the importance for the TB response in our country to be equitable, rights-based, and people-centered by:

- ✔ Explicitly mentions groups facing significant marginalization, stigma, and discrimination in accessing TB services (Such as: prisoners and incarcerated populations, people living with HIV, people living with disabilities, urban and rural poor, migrants and mobile populations (such as refugees and asylum seekers), indigenous peoples, people who use drugs, miners, children, families of TB survivors, people who use alcohol, men who have sex with men, women, healthcare workers, people living with other diseases such diabetes, smokers, long distance truck and taxi drivers, heavy industry workers, sex workers; and certain communities such as Roma, and lower castes (wherever applicable))Commit to including human rights and gender considerations in our country's national TB programme and remove discriminatory laws against people with TB.
- ✔ Agree to facilitate equitable access and universal uptake of TB tools (drugs, diagnostics, vaccines), ensuring that cost is not a barrier to the access of quality diagnostics and treatments and align and harmonize regulatory pathways to fast-track the uptake and implementation of new tools, including utilizing Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) flexibilities, where needed.