

FCTC 2030 Year 5 (2020-21) High Level Objectives (Updated May 2020)

Introduction

The UK Department of Health and Social Care, as project donors, has set the following High Level Objectives to be delivered in year 5 of the project. The key focus of delivery in year 5 will continue to be the delivery of key elements of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC) in the fifteen-selected low and middle-income countries (LMICs).

The FCTC 2030 project was expanded in year 4 to support nine additional LMICs who are receiving a subset of support, alongside the fifteen original Partner Parties. The nine new Partner Parties participating in the project were selected through a fair and transparent selection process similar to the initial selection process for the FCTC 2030 project.

In accordance with the existing donor agreement, FCTC 2030 will provide a work plan and resources required to meet these objectives, within the limit for year 5 set in the donor agreement.

In light of the coronavirus global pandemic the project is required to resubmit year 5 plans on achieving these objectives and revise financial resources accordingly. Any remaining unspent year 5 allocation will be discussed in September 2020 between the Donor and the WHO FCTC.

Year 5 High Level Objectives

- a. Continue to provide direct technical assistance and financial support to the 15 selected FCTC 2030 countries, in accordance with work plans submitted to the FCTC 2030 team, with agreed set financial resources. Efforts should be focused on supporting the WHO FCTC time-bound measures, Article 5 (governance) and strengthening tobacco taxation. In addition, work should include:
 - Continuing the use of monitoring arrangements to monitor progress of the 15 countries over year 5.
 - At least one Governance mission to each of the Partner Parties.
- b. Building on learning from the previous years of the project, provide support to the new seven Partner Parties. Ensure new Parties have workplans, milestones and clear deliverables in place to be achieved at the end year 5. Progress to be monitored.
- c. Continue to promote effective governance and build capability of tobacco control of parliamentarians in both FCTC 2030 Partner Parties and LMICs generally.
- d. Continue to collect evidence for the independent external evaluation of the project. Complete and provide the evaluation report at the end of March 2021, and, provide an interim report by January 2021, or sooner.
- e. Raise the profile of the project through country contacts, global events and forums and establish links with other global tobacco control projects. This should include specific engagement with:
 - Work with UK FCO and DFID leads in the 15 original and 9 new Partner Parties to enable UK connections to support the work.
 - The UK ODA Global Challenge Research project (Tobacco Control Capacity Programme).

- The Cancer Research UK global tobacco control development fund.
- f. Undertake fundraising efforts to bring additional resources in to the FCTC 2030 project.
 - g. Partnership work with WHO Regional Offices to promote WHO FCTC implementation by LMICs in each region.
 - h. Conducting an annual meeting of the FCTC 2030 Partner Parties to promote international cooperation, strengthen project governance and showcase achievements. The project should look to host the final project annual conference at the 18th World Conference on Tobacco or Health, in Dublin, March 2021.