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Antimicrobial Resistance Multi Partner Trust Fund

Cambodia is stepping up its efforts to tackle antimicrobial resistance through a One Health approach





The Antimicrobial Resistance Multi-Partner Trust Fund (AMR MPTF) supports the Government of Cambodia to enhance governance and coordination mechanisms to address AMR through a One Health approach. The project is implemented by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

The AMR MPTF focuses on supporting joint and coordinated multi-sectoral actions on AMR at global, regional and country levels. The fund finances catalytical, coordinated policy advice, technical assistance, and capacity-strengthening programmes that the Members have requested from the Quadripartite.

Cambodia endorsed its Multi Sectoral Action Plan for AMR (MSAP) 2019-2023 in December 2019. However, the lack of multi-sectoral coordination jeopardized the implementation of the Action Plan. Therefore, FAO, WOAH and WHO provided their technical expertise on coordination, antimicrobial stewardship, and effective communications strategies to encourage the initiation and functioning of the intersectoral coordination mechanism.

They did this by supporting the establishment of a high-level Inter-Ministerial Coordination Committee for AMR (IMCC-AMR) to strengthen the coordination and monitoring of the AMR (MSAP). To achieve this objective, the Government of Cambodia, in partnership with FAO, WOAH and WHO, organized a consultative meeting with key stakeholders across the One Health spectrum to collect inputs for shaping the foundation of the Inter-ministerial coordination committee in October 2021. The meeting outcome was the drafting of a finalized terms of reference of the IMCC-AMR with multi-sectoral contribution for approval.

Finally, an assessment of AMR in the animal health sector and a review of guidance on the prudent use of antimicrobials was conducted. This initiative will enable policymakers to increase the comprehensiveness and quality of the policy dialogue and practice, optimize the use of antimicrobials in critical sectors and improve understanding of AMR risks and response options by targeted groups.



A consultative meeting organized by the Government of Cambodia, in partnership with FAO, WOAH and WHO.



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