1. **PROJECT DETAILS**

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| CBM-I Office | CBM,CO |
| Staff Name / Visitor(s) | Samuel Bekele,Programme Officer , Programme |
| Date of project monitoring visit | 11-12.04.2022 |
| Date of last project monitoring visit | Only month and year (November.2021). |
| Project Number | 4081 |
| Project Title | Grarbet Tehadiso Mahber Comprehensive Rehabilitation Programme in SNNPR |
| Location of the project | Ethiopia, Butajira, SNNPR, Butajira town |
| Project duration | 01.01.2021-31.12.2023 |
| Project budget | €543,699.00 |
| Project source of funding / donor | Free funds  Legally Contracted Designated Funding – LCDF (☐ includes free funds contribution). Please specify Back Donor name: |
| Name of Partner(s) | Official name(s) of CBM-I contract Partner(s) including names of any other non-contractual partners involved in the project, if any. |
| Type of Project Monitoring Visit | Onsite / Face-to-Face Project Monitoring Visit  Virtual / Remote Project Monitoring Visit (please mark in the box which medium has been used: phone/voice, video, photo camera) |

# **SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS**

The Monitoring visit was intended as a continuous observation of the project progress under concern by systematically gathering key performance data and information for regular analysis. The project(P4081-MYP) data and facts being under analysis is GTM’s Comprehensive Medical rehabilitation services. The project is in its second year implementation period. The project’s general objective is to improve quality of life of persons with disability and those at risk of disability through the provision of comprehensive preventive, curative and rehabilitative services in central rural Ethiopia between from January, 2021 until December, 2023.The project’s specific objective is to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of Eye Care, ENT, Epilepsy, and Physical Rehabilitation Services addressing persons with disabilities and at risk of disability in seven districts of the SNNP Region targeting a total population of more than 1,133,697 in seven districts/Woredas in Gurague and Silitie Zones to be crystallised under six major result areas.

The main purpose of the monitoring visit is to support the M&E plan of CBM Ethiopia Country Office by carrying out the annual monitoring and evaluation visit at GTM Butajira for 2022. The specific objectives of the visit are:

* to monitor the progress/status of current project activities carried out by the Project (P4081-MYP) against the expected targets to reach /beneficiaries, and budget implementation rate against the quarter’s expectations to measure status of project progress, and develop recommendations on the gaps identified, and challenges encountered as we approach towards the biannual implementation reporting period.
* to hold a meeting with the GTM Management Committee including project responsible staff in order to verify their support and follow up of CBM project
* to assess project progress from last M&E recommendations

The key findings outline details of the project monitoring activities and results from January to April 2022, and provide a summary of key recommendations /action points shared with partners.

**Summary of findings**

The following key result areas along with their corresponding progress of planned activities were monitored for the period stated above. The result areas included Result 01: Quality eye care services provided, Result 02: Essential ENT services provided to rural people in central Ethiopia, Result 03: Locomotor rehabilitation services provided to persons with disabilities, Result 04: Medical services provided to patients with Epilepsy in rural central Ethiopia, Result 05: Provide comprehensive range of LV services, and Result 06: Equip and maintain stocks for low vison testing tools, materials, spectacle frames, optical lenses, as well as optical and non-optical devices

The findings under each result area are based on comparing actual performance with plans and to measure actual results against expected results. Hence, accomplishment in targets against the set indicators, cost or budget utilization, and procurement and compliance to CBM standards, are the major focus points. It was found out that having a look at the log frame of the project indicators, there is a total number of targets to reach for the year, but the targets are not divided in quarters. Therefore, assessment was done by divided targets equally in four quarters for tracking the progress of the project performance towards the total target specified for the year.

Result 01. Quality eye care services provided

* In regards to targets to reach of planned activities from position number 01.01to 01.06, the total number of targets for the first quarter have been successfully achieved resulting with more than 85% accomplishment with exception of activity 01.06 ‘provide health education’. This particular activity was over achieved due to seemingly target under-estimation during planning. Whereas, the total number of planned targets for activity 01.01 ‘screening and treatment’ is 12,500, and a total of 11,544(females=5,402) patients, having different eye health conditions, were provided with the required eye health services. The actual achievements against the expected target to reach can be said it is successful, and on track.

Result 02. Essential ENT services provided to rural people in central Ethiopia

* Activities from 01.01 to 01.05 have been in good progress in providing ENT services to the number of expected targets to reach. The average achievement rate is more than 90%. e.g Out of the expected 950 beneficiaries to get treatment for ear infections in the quarter 1 period, the actual performance shows that a total of 1,210 (females 506) have been treated. While out of the expected 154 patents for ear surgery, only 30 (females =16) have undergone surgical intervention. This was mainly due to the fact that the surgery is conducted by Dr. Uta ENT surgeon based at St. Paul Hospital

Result 03: Locomotor rehabilitation services provided to persons with disabilities

* All activities from 03.01 to 05 have been accomplished with an average performance of more than 90% achievement in reaching the targets

Result 04: Medical services provided to patients with Epilepsy in rural central Ethiopia

* It has two planned activities (04.01 & 04.02) ‘new enrolments and patients under follow up treatment’. New targeted beneficiaries have not been reached as expected. From 250 expected, only 181(females=76) of them were provided with available treatment. While the total number of targets to be reached with follow up services has been more than the planned targets. Out of the expected 2500 for the quarter, a total number of 2,475(females =1,012) were benefited from the services.

Result 05: Provide comprehensive range of LV services. There are 7 activities (from 05.01 to 05-07) under this result area.

* Unlike the previous MYP, LV services have become an integral part of the comprehensive eye care service at Butajira in this MYP by successfully integrating the services in the eye care services
* Data for achievement of provision of LV services was disaggregated in age group and sex. Activity 05.01. screening was done for 73(females=22) adults and 3 children (girl =1). Activity 05.02 ,44(females=12), and 2 children(girl=1) were provided LV devices, Activity 05.03, a total number of 93(female=24) and 2 Children (girl =2) including care takers of LV patients were provided ongoing training and counselling. Activity 05.04. a total number of 8 (female=3), only I boy received regular follow up on their improved mobility skill.
* Activity 05.05 providing awareness raising sessions on availability of LV services, and activity 05.06 training teachers on early identification and referral, and Activity 05.07 overseas experience sharing visit were not accomplished yet, and they are planned to be executed during next quarter
* The achievement indicates, on average 55 % of targeted children and adults have been screened and consulted, and provided LV services in order to better use their residual sight.

Result 06: Equip and maintain stocks for low vison testing tools, materials, spectacle frames, optical lenses, as well as optical and non-optical devices

* This year’s budget for equipping and marinating stocks for low vision has been decided to be re-allocated for another purpose, because the partner has adequate stock of supplies for providing LV services from previous year’s procurement

After the progress update on the status of project planned activity implementation, the programme Officer from CBM,CO had a thorough discussion with the relevant GTM –Butajira staff, the programme Coordinator and the Optometrist in charge of the LV services over the gaps in project implementation and other issues raised by the partner. Among others the following were the major ones:

* There is strong support of GTM head office /management committee towards smooth implementation of the project
* This monitoring visit team doesn’t include assessment of the project’s financial management of the project for the quarter. The finance aspect will be monitored some time before the end of quarter 2, either physically or remotely
* Activity 01.06 plan on expected targets to reach should be revised as it was underestimated for the year. It should be increased
* Awareness raising on LV services should be integrated into the inclusive eye health services component. Besides, health education at the centre should be given through audio-visuals which would have a great impact on awareness raising of the communities on health matters
* Data and information of achievement does not indicate persons with disabilities who receive medical services to promote ‘inclusion’ as value proposition of the project,
* There is low level of LV patients that appear to the centre due to lack of awareness and unrealistic expectations followed by frustrations on their residual vision. Most of them mistakenly believe that their eye sight could be restored through wearing spectacles like other eye health problems,
* Rotary Club has donated GTM with equipment such as Microscope, slit lamp, biometry, and puf tonometer to strengthen the eye care unit, while required IOL ranges are still in a shortage which have had an adverse impact on quality of cataract surgery outcome,
* ENT services, particularly conducting surgical procedure, was a real challenge despite the continued effort by Dr. Uta where surgery is conducted almost on monthly basis. Service demand is higher than the actual services provided, and there is long waiting list of patients to get services,
* GTM have been donated with operating microscope from St. Paul for strengthening the ENT services
* Overseas procurement of supplies for ENT services should be well considered, hence additional budget allocation can be necessary,
* Physical rehabilitation is also being challenged due to shortage of poly propylene fabrics for making prosthetics,
* Providing staff regular training on safeguarding of Children and adults at risk should be well considered in the coming reporting quarters

1. **ACTION PLAN**

Refer to INSTRUCTIONS no. 8, 12 and 14 in below ANNEX document.

Fill in below table with recommended and agreed actions in line with above Section B. SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS, including responsible persons and by when the actions are to be done. If reporting is available, also include recommended and agreed actions from ANNEX document Section C. OPTIONAL TOPICS / AREAS OF FOCUS. Add rows and adjust as appropriate:

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| **Actions**  (Recommended and agreed) | **Responsible**  (Name, position, entity e.g CBM-I, Project, Partner or External stakeholder) | **Timeframe for action**  (Deadline) |
| Reporting accomplishment of planned activities should well consider the annual set targets to reach in the log frame and expected results. Besides, data segregation should be able to include persons with disabilities to ensure Inclusion of medical services | GTM | End of June 30 ,2022 |
| Target for Activity 01.06 should be revised by the partner as it is under-estimated | GTM | Mid May-2022 |
| Reviewing the financial management of the project should be conducted sooner | CBM,CO | Until the end of May ,2022 |
| Awareness raising on LV services should be integrated into health education component for inclusive eye health services. Besides, health education at the centre should be given through audio-visuals which would have a great impact on awareness raising of the communities | GTM and CBM,CO | Until the end of September |
| Additional Budget for overseas procurement for ENT services | GTM and CBM,CO | At the beginning of budget application for 2023 |
| Documentation of achievements through pictures and narrations should be given due attention | GTM | Until June 30,2022 |
| Providing staff regular training on safeguarding of Children and adults at risk should be well considered in the coming reporting quarters | GTM | at the end of August |
| Human interest story should be shared with CBM,CO and other stakeholders | GTM | Until the end of April 21,2022 |
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1. **ANNEX**

Refer to [this separate Annex document](https://cbm365.sharepoint.com/:w:/r/teams/Work-GrpProgrammeSupportTeam/_layouts/15/Doc.aspx?sourcedoc=%7BE2F0CF91-29B6-4DD8-8B8C-8906D7CCAFBC%7D&file=Annex%20to%20the%20Project%20Monitoring%20Visit%20Reporting%20(PMVR)%20Template.docx&action=default&mobileredirect=true) that contains the following;

1. **INSTRUCTIONS** for general project monitoring visit reporting and terms of reference.
2. **TERMS OF REFERENCE** for the project monitoring visit.



1. **OPTIONAL TOPICS / AREAS OF FOCUS** suggested for consideration on a case-by-case basis by the CBM-I Office staff conducting the visit.

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