



GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN

Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations, and Coordination

NATIONAL TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL PROGRAMME (NTP)

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Annex-A

Detailed Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy

i. The purpose of this policy is to combat against fraudulent activities outlining the responsibilities of all the involved parties. The scope of this policy is to take actions if fraud or any such attempt is suspected as per the prescribed mechanism for reporting a fraudulent activity, verification or investigation of such allegation and the recovery action plan.

ii. CMU has zero tolerance for fraud and corruption, meaning thereby that CMU staff members and other individuals or parties not directly connected with CMU should not to engage in fraud or corruption related activities.

iii. For the purpose of this policy, fraudulent and corrupt practices shall be defined as under:

Fraudulent Practices: "Any illegal acts or any attempt to commit an act characterized by intentional deception, concealment, or violation of trust. Fraud covers acts or omissions involve the element of deception, bribery, forgery, extortion, corruption, theft, conspiracy, embezzlement, misappropriation, false representation, manipulation or concealment of material facts and collusion. It usually involves depriving or attempt to deprive someone of something by deceit or obtaining or attempt to obtain something by deceit, which might either be straight theft, misuse of funds or other resources, or more complicated crimes such as false accounting and the supply of false information. Fraud is not restricted to monetary or material benefits but includes intangibles such as status and information."

Corrupt Practices: A corrupt practice is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party. Corrupt practices include, but are not limited to, bribery, kickbacks and facilitation payments in connection with CMU activities or programmes.

iv. In connection with fraudulent and corrupt practices as defined above, CMU specifically forbids all employees and other individuals not directly connected with CMU from each of the following acts:

- Bribery: Engaging in any form of bribery, including offering, promising, giving, accepting or soliciting payments designed to gain any improper business advantage;
- Political Contributions: Promising, giving or soliciting contributions to political parties or to organizations or individuals engaged in politics as a subterfuge for bribery;
- Charitable Contributions: Promising, giving or soliciting charitable contributions or engaging in charitable sponsorships as a subterfuge for bribery;
- Gifts, Entertainment and Hospitality: Offering or accepting gifts, entertainment, or hospitality as a subterfuge for bribery;
- Facilitation Payments: Facilitation payments are prohibited in CMU; and
- Fiscal Improprations: CMU does not allow unauthorized or unethical use of funds;
- Fraudulent accounting or reporting; aiding or involving in inappropriate directly or indirectly gaining unauthorized or illegal financial benefits.



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v. The Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy recognizes that CMU is at risk of loss due to fraud and corruption from within and outside. In meeting our responsibilities relating to fraud and corruption, whether attempted internally or externally, we're committed to an effective anti-fraud and corruption policy designed to:

- Encourage prevention;
- Promote detection;
- Ensure effective investigation where suspected fraud or corruption has occurred; and
- Prosecute offenders where appropriate.

vi. There is an expectation and requirement that all members, employees, consultants, contractors and service users be fair and honest and if able to do so, provide help, information and support to assist the investigation of fraud and corruption. It is responsibility of the management as well as all employees of CMU to facilitate in prevention and detection of fraud and corrupt practices and reporting the same as per prescribed criteria in the whistle-blowing policy or any other channels as may be appropriate.

vii. Where an individual makes a report under this policy in good faith, reasonably believing it to be true, no retaliation against the individual will be tolerated should the disclosure turn out to be misguided or false. The same policies shall apply to such individual as provided in this manual for whistle-blower protection.

viii. Any employee found to have been involved in fraudulent or corrupt practices shall be subject to disciplinary action as per CMU policies and if proven shall be terminated on account of gross misconduct.

ix. CMU's management as well as Internal Audit Department shall periodically review the contents of the Anti-Corruption and Anti-Fraud Policy from time to time to ensure that it reflects the best practices and shall propose to the Audit Committee/NC, those amendments and updates that contribute to the development and ongoing improvement thereof, taking into account any suggestions or proposals made by the Internal Audit or other professionals of the CMU.

x. CMU shall maintain the record of all fraud incidents (reported and suspected) along with actions taken as per prescribed fraud report register.

xi. Fraud risk assessment shall be carried out by CMU management at periodic intervals at operational and programme level to identify areas vulnerable to fraud/ corruption and to devise and implement appropriate fraud risk mitigation strategies.

Complaint or Whistle blowing of all kinds will be kept confidential.

Signature of Vendor: _____

Name: _____

Firm/Company Name: _____

Contact no. with Address: _____

