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Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
Government of India

Agenda 23.1:

- **Report of the Agile Member States Task Group on strengthening WHO Budgetary, Programmatic and Financing Governance**
- **Sustainable financing: feasibility of a replenishment mechanism, including options for consideration**
  (these two sub-items will be taken together)

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Thank you Chair!

India takes note of the report and WHO's endeavors to strengthen its **budgetary, programmatic, and financing governances.**

In order to improve the result based budget planning process, WHO should involve member states in the budget prioritization process for better resource allocation across all levels.

India suggests that in **order to ensure transparency and the costs for the proposed resolutions, involvement of member states at initial stages** while deciding the

resolutions and its costing can play a crucial role. This would **allow member states also to take informed decisions, taking financial implications into account**.

Additionally, reference to Serial no T2 of report EB/AMSTG/3/5 would like to highlight that a standard template for proposing resolutions, considering resolutions with recommended timelines may be beneficial. This template may include financial aspects, impact, measurable outcome and time to achieve the objective.

India suggests that a **concrete reporting mechanism backed by defined timelines may be established to ensure compliance and digital solutions may be devised for accessing the progress and tracking the expenditure incurred on the resolutions.** The compliance on implementation plan can be better tracked if the reports are made available to member states on time.

India would like to highlight **the need for equitable budget allocation based on priorities of member states for making a meaningful impact at the field level.**

India would like to emphasize the need for **efficient implementation of Programme budget and would like to suggest a robust and transparent mechanism for monitoring and evaluation at all three levels of organization i.e. national, regional and global level duly creating an IT platform for the same with role based log in access to member states.**

India acknowledges the Secretariat's efforts to develop an implementation plan on reforms for all such activities **within the remit of the Secretariat with clear timelines and deliverables.**

Thank you!