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Programme budget 2002-2003: performance assessment report¹

Note by the Secretariat

1. Assessment of the 2002-2003 programme budget focuses on performance as measured by achievement of the expected results set out in that document. Through the use of performance indicators, it allows actual achievements to be compared and measured against the expected results established at the outset of the biennium. As such, the programme budget performance assessment report is the first Organization-wide attempt to employ results-based methodology in reporting back on implementation of the programme budget.
2. The report provides an Organization-wide summary of performance, noting the broader achievements and lessons learnt from across the Organization. For each of the areas of work it analyses performance, summarizes overall achievements in addressing the relevant issues and challenges, and describes progress towards achieving WHO's objective(s). The report also sets out the level of achievement of Organization-wide expected results, the critical impediments to their attainment, the relevancy and adequacy of the expected results for achieving WHO's objectives, and the approved budget as compared to expenditure. Key lessons learnt in implementing the programme budget are also noted.
3. The Performance assessment report was consolidated by Organization-wide area-of-work focal points, in consultation with their regional counterparts, and with inputs from country offices. It is based on information provided in the summary of the end-of-biennium evaluations prepared by regional area-of-work focal points drawing from country-level reporting. Additional information derived from regional offices and headquarters programmatic and thematic evaluations undertaken during the biennium 2002-2003 as part of the Organization's overall monitoring, evaluation and reporting framework is integrated into the assessment.

¹ Document PBPA/2002-2003.

4. Findings of the Performance assessment report have been used internally, especially to sharpen performance indicators in the Programme budget 2004-2005 and to inform elaboration of the Proposed programme budget 2006-2007.

ACTION BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

5. The Executive Board is invited to review the assessment of 2002-2003 Programme budget performance.

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