JOINT POSITION PAPER

CIVIL SOCIETY RESPONSE TO MINISTRY OF HEALTH ON CONTINUOUS CRISIS ON ARV AVAILABILITY

We, on behalf of 73 organizations (see Annex 1), call for the Ministry of Health of Republic of Indonesia as the duty bearer of the right to health of all Indonesian citizens, including People Living with HIV (PLHIV), to immediately take necessary steps in order to secure, prevent and mitigate the Anti Retro Viral (ARV) stock-out crisis that threats the lives of hundreds of thousand of PLHIV across different cities and provinces in Indonesia.

We acknowledge the recent commitment from the government in accelerating the HIV response. However, in order to achieve the targets of the acceleration plan and health security of all citizens, it requires efforts beyond the central government. While the government is committed to fully implement test and treat all and same-day initiation of ARV, at the same time we have received numerous reports of stock-out in several parts of Indonesia.

Since January 2020, we have received reports from Yogyakarta, Deli Serdang, NTT, Bogor, Jambi and West Sumatera (see Annex 2). This crisis and unstable availability of health commodities will certainly impact the acceleration plan of the HIV response.

Article 36 of the Health Law clearly mandates the government to be responsible in ensuring the availability, even distribution and accessibility of health commodities, particularly essential drugs.

HIV/AIDS is an epidemic that requires fast response and strong commitment from the government, in collaboration with civil society. The Joint External Review of the HIV response in Indonesia that was conducted earlier this year found that there are numbers of challenges in reaching the global target of 90-90-90. Despite all the efforts done nationally, Indonesia is still not demonstrating the results. Some of these challenges include:

- Indonesia is not on track in reaching the global target of 90-90-90 by 2020, in accordance to the 2016 Political Declaration on ending AIDS as a public health threat by 2030. Progress in achieving the number of people who know their status, are on ARV treatment and are virally suppressed is considerably slow compared to the magnitude of issues faced by the communities.
- 2. The minimum package of HIV prevention as recommended by WHO is still very low among key populations: sex workers, men who have sex with other men, people who inject drugs and trans people.

As of December 2019, Indonesia has only achieved 65.5%, 19.9% and 1.4% for the triple 90 targets. And in order to accelerate the results, our government, through the Ministry of Health, has renewed their commitment in accelerating ARV treatment coverage. The Acceleration Plan commits to increase and improve:

- Case finding of new infections: implementation of Standard Minimum Package of HIV and Partners Notification;
- 2. Test and treat all and same day initiation of ARV;
- 3. ARV treatment adherence;
- 4. Stronger coordination between services and the communities; and
- 5. Stronger facilities and infrastructure of services (increase number of treatment initiation site, improve strategic information (SIHA) and other logistics support).

Based on this situation, the coalition of 73 civil society organizations, key population networks, and other non-government organizations, call for the government to:

1. immediately provide adequate stock of ARV to each CST health service site, particularly to areas experiencing major stock-out, to ensure

- continuous and sustainable treatment and motivate PLHIV to remain on treatment:
- 2. conduct comprehensive monitoring and evaluation on procurement and supply-chain management of ARV, in coordination with PLHIV and key populations who are directly affected;
- 3. allocate adequate funding in the national budget (APBN) to ensure availability of quality ARV treatment and to develop efficient procurement system and process that ensures availability, affordability and accessibility of ARV and that is based on the needs of each individual PLHIV in all areas. Availability of buffer stock at national level to minimize the risk of stock-out is a mandatory option;
- 4. review the Circular Letter (Surat Edaran Sekjen HK 02.02/II/97/2020) on procurement of goods and services in 2020 in the Ministry of Health in order to not become the bottleneck in ARV procurement process funded by the national budget. We call for meaningful involvement of people affected by HIV in the review process;
- 5. inform ARV treatment plan status for each calendar year to civil society and the communities of PLHIV and key populations, and to involve civil society in the planning and decision-making process of ARV treatment plan and budgeting; and
- 6. review the Ministry of Health regulation (Permenkes No. 4/2019) on technical standards of the minimum standard package (SPM) to include ARV treatment under the HIV program under the SPM, where at this point, SPM only includes prevention (screening and education).

As partners of the Ministry of Health, we are would like to discuss the key asks in this position paper to ensure the highest attainable standard of health of People Living with HIV and all Indonesian citizens.

Indonesia, 1 March 2020

Annex 1: List of Organizations in Support

- 1. Aliansi Jurnalis Independen Bandung
- 2. Arjuna Pasundan Jawa Barat
- 3. Cleopatra Deli Serdang
- 4. Drug Policy Reform, Banten
- 5. Empowerment Justice and Action (EJA)
- 6. Equals_ID
- 7. FKPTB Tangerang
- 8. Forum LSM DKI. Jakarta
- 9. Gaya Lentera Muda Lampung
- 10. Gaya Nusantara
- 11. Gaya Warna Lentera-Ina
- 12. ICODESA
- 13. IGAMA, Malang
- 14. Ikatan Perempuan Positif Indonesia
- 15. Indonesia AIDS Coalition
- 16. Inset NTB
- 17. Inti Muda Indonesia
- 18. Jakarta plus center
- 19. Jaringan Indonesia Positif
- 20. KDS Arjuna Pasundan Community
- 21. KDS DELI SERDANG PLUS
- 22. KDS Pelangi Kehidupan
- 23. KDS Sehati
- 24. KDS Titik Putih
- 25. KDS warna sehati depok
- 26. Kios Informasi Atma Jaya
- 27. Koalisi Obat Murah
- 28. Lentera Anak Pelangi
- 29. L-PKNM Makassar
- 30. LBH Bandung

- 31. ODHA Berhak Sehat
- 32. Organisasi Perubahan Sosial Indonesia
- 33. PBHI Jawa Barat
- 34. Pelita Tangsel
- 35. Pena
- 36. Persaudaraan Korban Napza Indonesia
- 37. Pertiwi Bali
- 38. Perwade
- 39. Perwakos
- 40. Puzzle Indonesia
- 41. Redline Kediri
- 42. Rumah Beta Maluku
- 43. Rumah Cemara
- 44. Spek-HAM
- 45. Sriwijaya Plus, Palembang
- 46. Swap C
- 47. Wahana Cita Indonesia
- 48. Wamarapa Malang
- 49. Yayasan Bandung Wangi
- 50. Yayasan Batamang Plus Manado
- 51. Yayasan Female Plus
- 52. Yayasan Flobamora Kupang, NTT
- 53. Yayasan Gema Indonesia
- 54. Yayasan Generasi Bisa (Gerasa)
- 55. Yayasan kalandara
- 56. Yayasan Karisma
- 57. Yayasan Kartasis Sarasati Edukasi
- 58. Yayasan Kasih Pelangi Dewata
- 59. Yayasan Kesehatan Bali
- 60. Yayasan Kesehatan dan Kesejahteraan Indonesia
- 61. Yayasan Kusuma Buana
- 62. Yayasan Mahameru, Surabaya
- 63. Yayasan Medan Plus

- 64. yayasan mitra alam.
- 65. Yayasan Mutiara Maharani
- 66. Yayasan Orbit
- 67. Yayasan Peduli KDS Makassar
- 68. Yayasan Pesona Jakarta (YPJ)
- 69. Yayasan Putri Mandiri
- 70. Yayasan Sadar hati malang
- 71. Yayasan Spiritia
- 72. Yayasan Srikandi Sejati
- 73. Yayasan Tegak Tegar

Annex 2: Update of ARV Treatment Stock-out (as of 27 February)

No.	District	Service Providers	ARV Type	Notes
1	Depok, West	1. RS Sentra	1. Truvada (out of stock)	
	Java	Medika and	2. Evafirenz 200mg (out	
		RSUD Kota	of stock)	
		Depok	3. Tenofovir (out of stock)	
		2. RS Sentra		
		Medika and		
		RSUD Kota		
		Depok		
		3. RSUD Kota		
		Depok		
2	South Jakarta,		1. Tenofovir and	
	DKI Jakarta		Emtricitabin (out of	
			stock)	
			2. Evafirenz (limited,	
			expired date June	
			2020)	
3	Deli Serdang,		1. Tenofovir (out of stock)	
	South Sumatera		2. Evafirenz (limited,	
			expired date Nov 2020)	
			3. Lamivudine (limited,	
			expired date Aug 2020)	
4	Malang, East	1. RS Saiful Anwar	1. Ritonavir/Lopinavir	
	Java		(out of stock)	
			2. Evafirenz (out of stock)	
5	Bogor, West		1. Truvada (out of stock)	
	Java		2. Evafirenz (expired June	
			2020)	
6	Bekasi, West	1. RS dr.	1. Truvada (out of stock),	

	Java	Chasbullah	FDC TLE (limited,	
		Abdul Madjid	expired Jan 2021)	
		2. RS Elisabeth	2. TLE and FDC (out of	
		3. RS Ananda	stock)	
			3. Tenofovir (out of	
			stock), Duviral	
			(limited)	
7	South Jakarta,		1. Truvada (out of stock)	
	DKI Jakarta			
8	Tanjung Pinang,		1. Truvada (out of stock)	
	Kepulauan Riau		2. Evafirenz (out of stock)	
			3. Tenofovir (out of stock)	
			4. Lamivudine (out of	
			stock)	
			5. Neviral (out of stock)	
			6. Duviral (out of stock)	
			7. FDC (out of stock)	
9	Kupang, NTT		1. Evafirenz (out of stock) S	tock-out since
			2. Tenofovir (out of stock)	December 2019 in
			N	Manggarai district.
			P	atients are receiving
			N	levirapine or other
			С	ombination as
			а	lternative. Many
			p	oatients are reporting
			S	ide effects.
10	Yogyakarta		1. Truvada (out of stock)	
11	Central Jakarta,		1. Truvada (out of stock)	
	DKI Jakarta			
12	Surabaya, East	1. RSUP Sutomo	1. Truvada (out of stock)	
	Java			

13	Sorong, West	1.	Tenofovir (limited)	
	Papua			
14	Padang, West	1.	Tenofovir (out of stock)	There was a delay in
	Sumatera	2.	Atripla (out of stock)	ARV distribution in
				January 2020. ARV
				regimen was changed
				to AZT+3tC+EFV or
				AZT+3tC+NVP