



OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL U.S. Agency for International Development

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 26, 2022

TO: USAID/India Mission Director, Veena Reddy

FROM: USAID OIG Asia Regional Office USDH NFA Coordinator, Rhonda M. Horried /s/

SUBJECT: Financial Audit of Closing the Gaps in the TB Care Cascade Program Managed by World Health Partners in India, Cooperative Agreement 72038620CA00012, July 31, 2020 to March 31, 2021 (5-386-22-016-R)

This memorandum transmits the financial audit report of Closing the Gaps in the TB Care Cascade Program implemented by a consortium led by World Health Partners (WHP), for the period from July 31, 2020, to March 31, 2021. The WHP contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm of Kumar Mittal & Co. to conduct the audit. The audit firm stated that it performed its audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards (GAGAS). However, the audit firm disclosed that it does not have a continuing professional education program and external quality control review that satisfy GAGAS requirements. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on WHP's schedule of expenditures of USAID awards, the effectiveness of its internal control, or its compliance with the award, laws, and regulations.¹

The audit objectives were to (1) express an opinion on whether WHP's schedule of expenditures of USAID awards for the period audited was presented fairly, in all material respects; (2) evaluate WHP's internal controls; and (3) determine whether WHP complied with award terms (including cost-sharing/matching contributions requirement) and applicable laws and regulations. The report indicated that the agreement required leveraged resources and had provision for indirect costs at 10% de minimis rate of modified total direct cost. The audit covered project revenues and costs of \$1,003,552 and \$883,118, respectively for the audited period.

¹ We reviewed the audit firm's report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify any items needing clarification or issues requiring management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and excludes review of the auditor's supporting working papers; they are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.

The audit firm concluded that the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards presented fairly, in all material respects, program revenues and costs incurred under the agreement for the period audited. The audit firm did not identify any questioned costs, material weaknesses in internal control, or instances of material noncompliance. The audit firm issued a management letter with one finding that is considered both as other matters of internal control and immaterial instance of noncompliance.

The report does not include any recommendations.

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