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**SUMMARY DUTY TRAVEL REPORT**

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<b>Places visited</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Yangon, Myanmar	25 June to 6 July 2001

**Purpose/objectives of visit:**

- 1) To attend as WHO Resource Person in intercountry consultation on Roll-Back Malaria Technical Support Networks in South-East Asia, 25 to 28 June 2001.
- 2) To conduct intercountry workshop for Trainers on the assessment of ICD-10 coding in countries of the Region, 2 to 6 July 2001. The objectives of the workshop are to improve overall validity and reliability of morbidity and mortality statistics in the countries and also to identify specific weaknesses in the coding process of ICD-10 in the countries so that corrective measures or reorientation courses can be carried out accordingly.

**Brief account of activities undertaken:**

- 1) Assist the participants in finalizing the research proposals on (i) strengthening surveillance, information management, epidemic preparedness and response (ii) transmission reduction risks (iii) drug resistance and policy. During the course of the workshop, 27 proposals have been developed and funded. Detailed report of the workshop is being submitted by RA-MAL.
- 2) Intercountry workshop for trainers on assessment of ICD-10 coding using Australian Coding Benchmark Audit (ACBA) was conducted. The workshop was inaugurated by the Deputy Minister for Health, Professor Mya Oo. WR Myanmar also gave the opening speech. RA-GPE chaired all the sessions of the workshop. Ms Andrea Groom from National Centre for Classification on Health, Brisbane, Australia and WHO Temporary Advisers, Dr Sunil Senanayake, Director, HIS, MOH, Sri Lanka, Daw Htay Htay Aye, Director, HIS, Department of Health Planning, MOH, Myanmar and U Soe Myint, Deputy Director, Medical Record, Department of Health Planning, MOH, Myanmar assisted in conducting the training workshop. RA-GPE also made presentations on (i) assessment of Health Information Systems (ii) strategies for improving the performance of HIS. The workshop agenda and list of participants are attached.
- 3) Field visits were also made to Medical Record Departments of Yangon General Hospital and Central Women's Hospital. Observations were made on the actual coding of medical records and overall functions of medical record departments of the two hospitals.

**Recommendations:**

- 1) GPE unit will promote ICD-10 coding as well as assessment of ICD-10 coding procedures in the countries of the Region in the coming biennium.
- 2) GPE unit will also promote utilization of data generated by health information systems in the countries of the region for evidence-based decision making at different levels of the health care delivery systems.

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**Specific recommendations for action (if any) by DPM/RD:**

Based on the discussions with the participants, the following recommendation is submitted for agreement in principle by DRD and RD:

1. GPE unit will develop the contents of the curriculum (2 to 3 lectures) to be used in medical institutes and para medical institutes in the countries of the Region on the (i) objectives (ii) overall framework of ICD-10 (iii) application and (iv) benefit of utilization of ICD-10 coding in terms of health planning, resource allocation, human resource deployment, equipment procurement for the hospitals, etc. This activity will be completed during this biennium.

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Intercountry Workshop for Trainers on the Assessment  
of ICD-10 Coding in Countries of the Region  
Yangon, Myanmar, 2-6 July 2001

### TENTATIVE PROGRAMME OF WORK

Time	Topic
<b><i>Day 1: Monday, 2 July 2001</i></b>	
0900-0930	Inauguration
0930-1000	<i>Tea Break</i>
1000-1100	Introductory remarks (Dr Myint Htwe, WHO/SEARO) Self-introduction of participants Modalities of the training workshop and introduction of ACBA (Ms Andrea Groom)
1100-1200	ACBA group work
1200-1300	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1300-1500	ACBA group work <i>continued</i>
1500-1520	<i>Tea Break</i>
1520-1630	ACBA group work <i>continued</i>
<b><i>Day 2: Tuesday, 3 July 2001</i></b>	
0900-1000	Explanation about tasks for remainder of the week
1000-1020	<i>Tea Break</i>
1020-1200	Reporting to group about coding in the countries
1200-1300	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1300-1500	ACBA group work
1500-1520	<i>Tea Break</i>
1520-1630	ACBA group work <i>continued</i>
<b><i>Day 3: Wednesday, 4 June 2001</i></b>	
0900-1000	ACBA individual work
1000-1020	<i>Tea Break</i>
1020-1200	ACBA individual work <i>continued</i>
1200-1300	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1300-1630	Field trip to Medical Record Departments of Yangon General Hospital and Central Women's Hospital

<b><i>Day 4: Thursday, 5 July 2001</i></b>	
0900-1000	ACBA 2000 (Electronic)
1000-1020	<i>Tea Break</i>
1020-1200	ACBA individual work
1200-1300	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1300-1500	ACBA report back session
1500-1520	<i>Tea Break</i>
1520-1630	Assessment of HIS (Dr Myint Htwe)
<b><i>Day 5: Friday, 6 July 2001</i></b>	
0900-1000	HIS in Myanmar (Daw Htay Htay Aye)
1000-1020	<i>Tea Break</i>
1020-1200	Medical record system in Myanmar (U Soe Myint)
1200-1300	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1300-1400	Strategies for improving the performance of HIS (Dr Myint Htwe)
1400-1430	Closing session

**Inter-country Training Course for Trainers on the Assessment of ICD-10  
Coding in the Countries of Region  
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