



Bhutan Country Brief

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Bringing evidence & people together to tackle drug resistance for a healthier world

Who We Are

The Fleming Fund is the world's single largest Official Development Assistance (ODA) investment in global AMR surveillance.

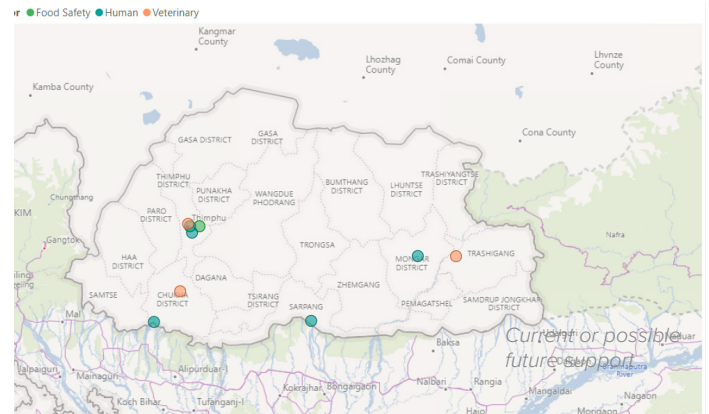
It is a £265million UK aid programme supporting up to 24 low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) to generate, share and use antimicrobial resistance (AMR) data.

The Fleming Fund is a UK Department of Health and Social Care (DHSC) programme made up of a Country and Regional Grants and Fellowships Programme managed by Mott MacDonald, and a variety of Global Projects, managed directly by DHSC.

Country Context

Bhutan has developed National Action Plan (NAP) on Antimicrobial Resistance (2017 – 2020) which has been endorsed by Cabinet and approved by the Ministry of Health.

More information about Bhutan can be found on the Fleming Fund website at: <https://www.flemingfund.org/countries/bhutan>



Our Grants

COUNTRY GRANT

Country Grantee: Government of Bhutan, Department of Medical Services
 Sub-grantees: Bhutan Agriculture and Food and Regulatory Authority, Department of Livestock, Jigme Dorji Wangchuck National Referral Hospital, Royal Centre of Disease Control
 Value: £1,559,560
 Duration: Apr 2019 – May 2021

COUNTRY GRANT 2

Country Grantee: TBD
 Sub-grantees: TBD
 Value: £300,000
 Duration: TBD

PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Number of fellows: 7
 Host Institution: Doherty Institute
 Value: £560,000
 Duration: Feb 2019 – Jun 2021

POLICY FELLOWSHIP

Number of fellows: 2
 Host Institution: Doherty Institute
 Value: £80,000
 Duration: Aug 2020- Sep 2021

PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP 2

Number of fellows: 5
 Host Institution: Doherty Institute
 Value: £200,000
 Duration: TBD

REGIONAL GRANTS

Gathering Historical AMR Data

Grantee: International Vaccine Institute

Value: £2,712,824 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2019 – Sep 2021

This grant supports the collection and analysis of historical AMR data across key Fleming Fund countries to provide early information for policy making.

External Quality Assurance- Asia

Grantee: Technical University of Denmark

Value: £4,247,345 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2020 – Feb 2022

This grant supports the development of external quality assurance practices in laboratories around Asia which ensures confidence in laboratory testing results.

Policy, Practice & Advocacy

Grantee: International Vaccine Institute

Value: £2,715,217 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Sep 2019 – Nov 2021

This grant supports data sharing for

global AMR planning and advocacy to provide policy makers with evidence to make robust, data-based policy recommendations.

Common Surveillance Protocols

Grantee: Ending Pandemics

Value: £3,076, 250 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Sep 2019 – Dec 2021

This grant supports the standardisation of data collection and analysis through common protocols, ensuring data across countries is comparable.

GLOBAL PROJECTS

Global Research on AMR (GRAM): This grant supports a global exercise studying the burden of AMR, run by University of Oxford.

Value: £6,200,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 – Jun 2021

OIE Grant: This grant invests in developing One Health guidance on antimicrobial use, supports countries to feed into the global AMU animal database and helps improve awareness and understanding of AMR and alternatives to antimicrobial agents.

Value: £5,000,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 – Mar 2020

WHO Global Grant : This grant supports countries to develop National Action Plans, training to undertake AMR use and consumptions studies and supports the adoption of the AWaRe framework and essential medicines lists.

Value: £9,900,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2016 – Mar 2020

South Centre Grant: This grant builds partnerships with civil society organisations to raise awareness of AMR.

Value: £1,000,000 (total across multiple countries)

Duration: Jan 2017 – Dec 2019

2017 OIE support to Professional Veterinary Services mission

JAN 2017 Fleming Fund Scoping visit

MAY 2018 Request for Proposal published

DEC 2019 Country Grant approved

DEC 2019 Country Grant signed

MAR 2019 Country Grant signed

MAR 2019 Fellowship Scheme kick-off workshop