SUGGESTED PROJECT STRUCTURE

PROJECT NAME: HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME FOR THE INFORMAL SECTOR

(See the pages below)

BSP III 2018/2019

PROJECT QUESTION

Health care costs are escalating rapidly in many countries. While many factors contribute to rising costs, health insurance plays a part by shielding patients and physicians from the real cost. However, Health insurance concept is relatively new in many low to middle-income countries. Awareness about and knowledge on the scheme is poor among potential beneficiaries. There are some misconceptions associated with health insurance which contribute to its low acceptance in most countries. The design and implementation of health insurance for both the formal and informal sectors are particularly challenging.

TASK

As a third-year student of social protection with vast knowledge on health care financing and Insurance Policy, you have been invited to the parliament of Tanzania to give your advice on how best to extend health insurance to the informal sector. Your first task is to select one country (from Africa (excluding Tanzania) or ASIA) with best health insurance schemes for the informal sector and draw lessons for Tanzania..

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   - **Acknowledgement**   (Maximum of Three Brief Paragraphs)
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   - **Executive summary**   (half a page only)
   - **Table of contents**   (1 page only)

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION (about 2 pages only)

1.1 The concept of health care system and health insurance
1.2 What are the objectives of health insurance schemes and why it is important
1.3 The types of health insurance schemes including, and not limited to, financing, delivery, and provisions
1.4 A brief introduction of the healthcare system (including Health Insurance of your selected countries)
1.5 Organization of the Report

CHAPTER 2: LITERATURE REVIEW *(Review different literature about Health Insurance for the informal sector):* (Up to 4 pages)

2.1. Review of Theories and Concepts

- The Concept of Health Insurance (from at least two perspectives)   **(Up to 2 pages)**
- The need for Health Insurance for the informal sector   **(Up to 1 page)**

2.2. Description of the case studies

- A comprehensive description of the selected countries healthcare system. (Here you can create a matrix for comparison, use figures and tables, etc. **(Up to 4 pages)**

CHAPTER 3: THE PROGRAMME DESIGN (up to 4 pages only)

This chapter explains the innovative design of the HI scheme of the country you have selected. It covers all aspects of the programs and other unique features *(what made you choose that country)*

3.1. The scheme design (how does the scheme look like and for who, if there is diagram use)

3.2. Financing (How are premium sets, how do contributions paid etc)

3.3. Providers: The entire provider's designs and Payment Mechanism

3.4. Implementation set-up: which Ministry in charge, contracting out?/ Community base?

3.5. The legal and Policy framework (*What laws and policies exist to legitimise the scheme? And also to protect beneficiaries)*

3.6. Issues of Affordability, Sustainability & Fiscal Space

3.7. Monitoring & evaluation framework

3.8. Key lessons learnt

CHAPTER 4: CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS (1 page only)

Try to direct your conclusion in explaining the unique features of the scheme, for instance, why is the scheme widely accepted, is it the use of media? Is it affordability or accessibility? Your recommendation should analytically show that if certain political, administrative, institutional and fiscal barriers are successfully overcome, it is possible for a country like Tanzania to implement a successful Health Insurance Scheme for the informal sector.

REFERENCE/ BIBLIOGRAPHY

- You are required to use books, articles, journals, financial reports or policy documents in hard copy or electronic version or information from the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS), Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Labour, SSRA, ILO, OECD and any other official dataset or statistics to support your work where necessary
- APA referencing style should be applied within the contents as well as the REFERENCES
- Make proper citations and avoid making false assumptions or using fake or outdated data in their analysis

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APPENDICES

- Attach all supporting files/materials you have used in your project if any.

Formatting

Font style: Times New Roman, size 12.0
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Headings:
  Chapter heading: print size 16 in bold typeface
  Subheading: print size 14 in bold typeface.
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Total Number of Pages**:** **Approximately 15 pages.**
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