



# Media Update

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Islamabad, the 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2016

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: NATIONAL FORUM, ROLL OUT MEETING ON SDG-3, 7  
SEPTEMBER 2016

The undersigned is directed to refer to the above mentioned subject and to state that Government of Pakistan is signatory to United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with 169 targets, and that all 194 UN Member States have agreed to work towards achieving them by 2030.

2 Pakistan adopted SDGs in February 2016, through a parliamentary resolution that was passed unanimously. Health has a central place in SDG-3 : It ensures healthy lives and promoting well being for all at all ages, underpinned by 13 targets that cover a wide spectrum. Almost all other 16 SDGs are directly or indirectly related to health. The new health agenda, which builds upon Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), also focuses on improving equity with human rights based approach to meet the needs of women, children and the poorest, most disadvantaged people.

3 In this regard, the Ministry of National Health Services Regulation and Coordination, (NHSR&C), Islamabad in collaboration with WHO Pakistan is going to hold a National Consultative Meeting on 7<sup>th</sup>, September 2016, at Serena Hotel Islamabad from 09:00 am to 01:00 pm under chair of Minister of State for NHSR&C, to bring together all stakeholders contributing towards SDGs 3 with the following key objectives.

- I. To orient all stakeholders on SDG-3, its targets, and alignments to national priorities.
- II. Clarify WHO and other partners support to SDGs implementation globally, regionally and within Pakistan.
- III. To identify synergies and partnership for mobilizing commitments and harnessing resource for SDGs.

4 In this regards, it is requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the said meeting on the date and time mentioned above (agenda enclosed). Mr. Nauman Waheed WHO country office, will be focal person for all logistic arrangements; contact details; 0336-6960009 & Email: [waheedn@who.int](mailto:waheedn@who.int)



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## Agenda

### National Consultation on Sustainable Development Goal 3 (SDG-3) 7 September 2016, Sheesh Mahal 2, Serena Hotel, Islamabad

08:30 – 09:00	Registration of Participants	Presenter
MC: Mr. Mazhar Nisar, Ministry of National Health Services, Regulation & Coordination		
09:00-9:10	<b>Welcome Remarks, Introduction and Objectives of National Forum</b>	Secretary, Ministry of National Health Services, Regulation & Coordination
09:10-9:15	<b>Welcome Note</b>	WHO Representative Pakistan
09:15-9:30	<b>Key Note Address</b>	HE, Minister of Planning, Development & Reforms
09:30 – 09:50	<b>Introduction to SDG-3, its targets, and linkages with National vision 2025 &amp; all SDGs</b>	Dr. Assad Hafeez, Director General, Ministry of National Health Services, Regulation & Coordination
09:50-10:20	<b>WHO contribution towards achieving SDG-3 related Targets</b>	Dr. Zafar Mirza, Director of Health Systems, WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean Region
<b>10:20-10:45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
10:45 – 12:00	<b>Provincial Plenary</b> Theme " <i>Vision for embedding SDG3 at provincial level</i> "	Provincial Representatives Moderator: Dr. Malik Safi, Director of Programs, MoNHSR&C
12:00- 12:30	<b>UN Plenary</b> Theme " <i>Contributions' of UN Partners towards achieving the SDG3 targets globally, regionally and in Pakistan</i> "	UNICEF, UNFPA, & UNAIDS Moderator: Dr. Malik Safi, Director of Programs, MoNHSR&C
12:30- 12:40	<b>Role of the National Parliamentary Taskforce</b>	Ms. Mariyam Aurangzeb, MNA & Convener National Parliamentary Task Force on SDGs
12:40 – 13:00	<b>Declaration of the National Forum</b> <b>Closing Remarks</b>	-Ministry of NHSRC & Partners -HE Minister of State for Health <b>Ms. Saira Afzal Tarar</b>
<b>13:00 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	